
CO-ORDINATION OF CARTOGRAPHIC SERVICES OF SPECIALIZED
AGENCIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Resolution of 19 February 1948

WHEREAS accurate maps are a prerequisite to the proper development of the world resources which in many cases lie in relatively unexplored regions;

WHEREAS such maps facilitate international trade, promote safety of navigation, both in the air and in the sea, and provide information required for the study of measures of peaceful adjustment under Chapter VI of the Charter, and for the application of security measures contemplated in Chapter VII of the Charter;

WHEREAS the co-ordination of the cartographic services of the United Nations and Specialized Agencies, as well as those of the Member Nations, will result in significant economies in cost, time and personnel, and will contribute to the improvement of cartographic techniques and standards;

WHEREAS several Member Governments have already indicated their interest in a co-ordinated programme of international cartography;*

The Economic and Social Council therefore recommends:

1. That the Member Governments stimulate the accurate survey and mapping of their national territories;
2. That the Secretary-General take appropriate action, within the limits of budgetary availabilities;
 - (a) to further such efforts by promoting the exchange of technical information and other means, including the preparation of a study on modern cartographic methods and development of uniform international standards;
 - (b) to co-ordinate the plans and programmes of the United Nations and specialized agencies in the field of cartography, taking into account the work of the various governmental and non-governmental organizations and to report on the subject to a subsequent session of the Council;
 - (c) to develop close co-operation with cartographic services of interested Member Governments.

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CORRIGENDUM

Page 1, paragraph 4, line 14

The word "governmental" should be replaced by "inter-governmental".
