(k) The Council shall elect its President and Bureau early in the calendar year, prior to the organizational session of the Council;

(l) Prior to the organizational session, the President, with the co-operation of the other members of the Bureau, should arrange for consultations with members of the Council on the draft programme of work and provisional agenda prepared by the Secretary-General and on the allocation of agenda items and make proposals thereon for consideration by the Council; the duration of the organizational session of the Council could consequently be shortened;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1989 on the feasibility and comparative costs of holding at the United Nations, with the present in-sessional arrangements, one consolidated or two regular sessions of the Council;

4. Decides to include an item entitled "Revitalization of the Economic and Social Council" in the provisional agenda for its second regular session of 1989 and to consider under that item a report of the Secretary-General on progress in the implementation of the present resolution;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1989 on the progress made in the implementation of the relevant paragraphs of the present resolution and on proposals for incorporating in the biennial programme of work of the Council measures to implement the present resolution;

6. Also requests the Secretary-General, in order to enable the Council to continue discussions on how its work can be enhanced so as to make it more responsive to the challenge of development in the coming years, to submit to the Council at its second regular session of 1989 a note on:

(a) The functioning of the Council and its subsidiary bodies in relation to the relevant chapters of the medium-term plan, using the following categories:
   (i) policy formulation, co-ordination and monitoring, (ii) operations and implementation, (iii) technical support;
   (b) The mandates of the bodies established to assist the Council in carrying out its functions, listed according to the same three categories.

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1988/152. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

1. At its 18th plenary meeting, on 6 July 1988, the Economic and Social Council adopted the agenda of its second regular session of 1988," approved the organization of work for the session" and decided:

(a) To transmit the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees* to the General Assembly at its forty-third session;

(b) To consider in plenary meeting the question of the draft introduction to the next medium-term plan.

2. At its 22nd plenary meeting, on 8 July 1988, the Council decided to devote one plenary meeting to a discussion of the question of the economic aspects of women in development within the context of its general discussion of international economic and social policy, including regional and sectoral developments (agenda item 2).

1988/153. Inclusion of Mozambique in the list of the least developed countries

At its 26th plenary meeting, on 13 July 1988, the Economic and Social Council decided:

(a) To endorse the conclusion and recommendation of the Committee for Development Planning regarding the inclusion of Mozambique in the list of the least developed countries;*

(b) To recommend that the General Assembly at its forty-third session approve the inclusion of Mozambique in the list of the least developed countries.


As its 37th plenary meeting, on 25 July 1988, the Economic and Social Council, pursuant to its decision 1988/148 of 27 May 1988, decided:

(a) That the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly on the Review and Appraisal of the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990 should establish the following two working groups:

(i) Working Group on the Critical Economic Situation in Africa and the Problems and Constraints facing Africa's Development Efforts;

(ii) Working Group on the Response of the International Community, including the United