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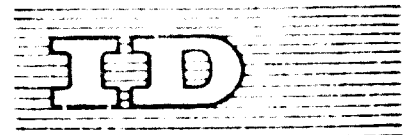
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We regret that some of the pages in the microfiche copy of this report may not be up to the proper legibility standards, even though the best possible copy was used for preparing the master fiche.

"The General Assembly of the United Nations in December 1967 voted unanimously to start preparations for a Second Development Decade, commencing in 1971. Subsequently, resolutions of the General Assembly have spelled out the procedures to be followed in preparing a strategy for this decade which would aim to ensure that within three decades major and permanent progress would be achieved by the two-thirds of the world's population who live in developing countries. The 21 national preparatory committees established by the General Assembly has completed its first round of substantive discussions."

UNIDO will take its share in the collective effort of the UN family as primarily responsible for the industrialization of the developing countries. However, it should be noted that UNIDO has not been using its three years of existence to accumulate information and studies of a basic nature on the general problems related to the industrialization of developing countries.

However, UNIDO is adopting a general approach to design the perspectives of development of some of the main branches of industry. These "prospects" will be prepared using projective methods as well as direct information on the existing plants and future projects. During this Symposium, papers have been presented for the various countries and sub-regions of the various regions giving figures for the present production and future projections for 1975 and 1980. In addition, UNIDO considerations of a study of Mr. Kojima to see how independent estimates and projections will compare with regional and country estimates. In Chapter VI of the Symposium report, we have endeavored to summarize the regional projections and the Kojima projections. These have to be reconciled and will be done by UNIDO. Estimation of capital requirements have also been made. Mr. Jowhari of UNESCP will present them tomorrow later. UNIDO will undertake similar studies in the fertilizer field and come up with projections and capital requirements up to 1975 and 1980.

In addition to these projections and capital requirements estimates, UNIDO proposes also to prepare the following studies:

- a) review of the present technical problems;
- b) perspectives of investment as they appear from the experience of existing projects, already under way or planned;
- c) development of technology, transport, economies of scale and input structure affecting future trends in location, product mix, raw materials etc.;

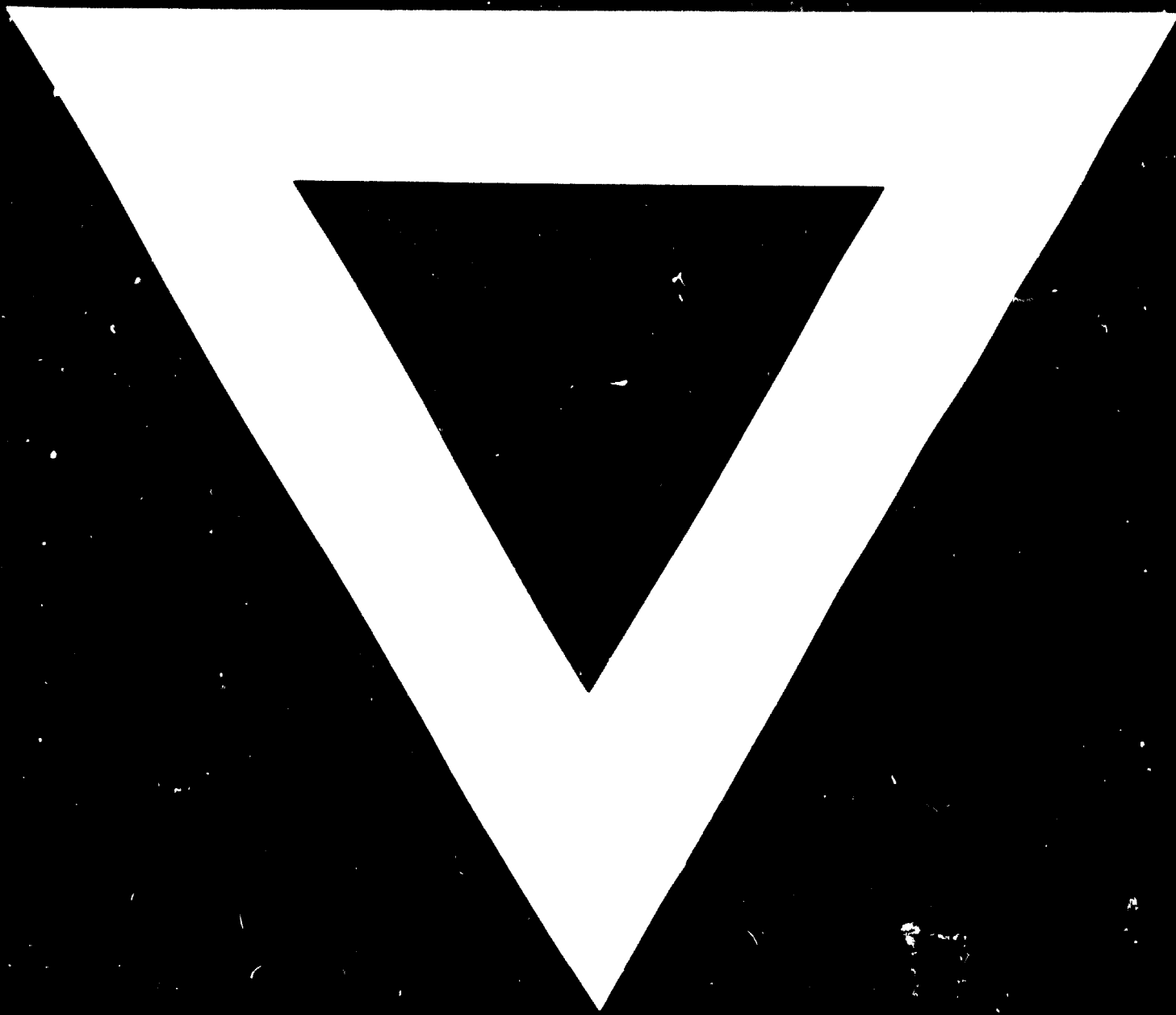
- d) policy recommendations to be carried out at the country level and at the international level.

The United Nations Industrial Development Board, during its third session in Vienna, has adopted a resolution dealing with the need of UNCTAD in accelerating industrial development in developing countries in the Second Development Decade, and of priority, particularly in the least developed among the developing countries. Much is being done in this connection and part of our work in this Symposium has been in this direction.

Thank you for your kind attention.



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