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Held at Headquarters, New York,
on Friday, 5 May 1967, at 11 a.m.CONTENTSAdoption of the report of the Board to the twenty-second session
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	Mr. ORDOOBADI	Iran
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	Mr. KHURMA	Jordan
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Thailand

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Trinidad and Tobago

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Mr. SYLLA	Secretary of the Board

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE BOARD TO THE TWENTY-SECOND SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (ID/B/L.12 and Add.1-10)

Mr. MEAYE (Guinea), Rapporteur, said that the draft report of the first session of the Board (ID/B/L.12 and Add.1-10) conformed to the traditional layout of United Nations reports. It comprised an introductory section, an account of the general debate, an account of the discussion on each agenda item, the decisions of the Board, and an annex. In preparing the report on the general debate he had tried, in view of the differences of opinion that had emerged, faithfully to reflect what had actually been said; for he felt that the first report of the Industrial Development Board should accurately indicate the conditions in which UNIDO had begun its work and that the views expressed by delegations, although sharply critical in some cases, would help to guide the secretariat in its difficult task. He was ready to accept any necessary amendments that the Board might make.

Document ID/B/L.12, agenda items 1 to 3

Paragraphs 1-5

Mr. RYABOWIENDE (Rwanda) and Mr. RODRIGUEZ (Philippines) pointed out that the names of several countries had been omitted, in paragraph 5, from the list of Member States which had sent observers.

Paragraphs 1-5 were approved.

Paragraphs 6-9

Mr. WOODWARD (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) asked the Rapporteur to check whether the reference to "paragraph 13 of the above-mentioned resolution", in paragraph 6, was correct. He thought that the agencies had been represented under a different paragraph of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI).

Mr. STORDEL (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development) pointed out that UNCTAD should be listed in paragraph 7 among the United Nations bodies also represented.

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Mr. CHADHA (India) proposed that the various sections of document ID/B/L.12 should be rearranged to correspond to the order in which the agenda items had actually been considered.

Paragraph 9 should be considered in conjunction with document ID/B/L.12/Add.2, which related to the proceedings of the Sessional Committee on rules of procedure.

Mr. LOFANOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) proposed the insertion at an appropriate place of a sentence stating that Mr. Muzik (Czechoslovakia) had been elected Chairman of the Sessional Committee.

Mr. MURAOKA (Japan) pointed out that the references to "article 19" in Addendum 2 should read "rule 19".

Mr. CHADHA (India) proposed that it should be made clear in Addendum 2, paragraph 13, that it was for the Board to decide what inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations should participate in its work. He asked what was meant by the reference to "the question of parity" in paragraph 18.

Miss DEAS (United Kingdom) suggested that the meaning would be clearer if the sentence in question was amended to read: "The representative of the United Kingdom expressed reservations with regard to the parity between groups established by rule 19 as adopted. The representative of Japan stated that he could not concur in the manner in which the rule had been adopted."

Mr. MURAOKA (Japan) said that that would be an improvement.

Document ID/B/L.12, paragraphs 6-9, and document ID/B/L.12/Add.2, as amended, were approved.

Document ID/B/L.12, paragraphs 10 and 11

Paragraphs 10 and 11 were approved.

Paragraph 12

Mr. OLUMIDE (Nigeria) said that the phrase "in some languages" should be inserted after "the belated submission of certain documents".

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Mr. ERNST (France) suggested the phrase "in all the working languages".

Mr. RYABONYENDE (Rwanda), supported by Mr. KOFFI (Ivory Coast), thought that it would be better to say "in their working languages".

That proposal was accepted.

Paragraph 12, as amended, was approved.

Paragraph 13

Paragraph 13 was approved, on the understanding that the final text would indicate the names of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman/Rapporteur of the Sessional Committee.

Document ID/B/L.12, agenda item 8

Paragraphs 1-10

Paragraphs 1-10 were approved.

Paragraph 11

Mr. RODRIGUEZ (Philippines) drew the attention of the Board to the first line of paragraph 11, which he suggested, should be rephrased in order to reflect the unanimous decision of the Board regarding the arrangements for the UNIDO headquarters building facilities and other arrangements. He proposed that the first line of paragraph 11 be deleted and replaced with the following words:

"At its fourth meeting, the Board decided unanimously to include in its Report the following paragraph which was proposed by the Representative of the Philippines."

That proposal was accepted.

Paragraph 11, as amended, was approved.

Paragraphs 12-14

Paragraphs 12-14 were approved.

Document ID/B/L.12/Add.1

Page 2, first to third paragraphs, and page 3, first and second paragraphs

The paragraphs were approved, with a minor drafting change.

Page 3, third paragraph

Mr. AHMED (Pakistan), supported by Mr. SCHEJBAL (Czechoslovakia) and Mr. LOBANOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), proposed, with reference to the first sentence, the deletion of the words "should reduce its research activities to the barest minimum, keeping in mind that such" and the words "should be".

Mr. PEGO MONTEIRO (Brazil) endorsed that proposal, and said that he also thought the first two sentences of operative paragraph II (D) (ii) of resolution ID/B/L.17/Rev.1 should be inserted in the paragraph in question, after the first sentence. The resulting text would more accurately reflect the purport of the discussion.

The PRESIDENT supported by Mr. ARCHIBALD (Trinidad and Tobago), observed that the paragraph in question related to the general debate and could not therefore reflect a decision taken at a later stage of the proceedings.

Mr. REGO MONTEIRO (Brazil) said that, in that case, the words "the general consensus" should be replaced by some other formulation.

Mr. MBAYE (Guinea), Rapporteur, supported by Mr. OLUMIDE (Nigeria) and Mr. ERNST (France), suggested that the words "the general consensus" might be replaced by the word "agreed".

Mr. WOULBROUN (Belgium) said that, since a consensus in favour of concentrating on operational activities and reducing research had in fact emerged during the general debate, it might be best simply to insert the words "During the general debate" at the beginning of the paragraph.

Mr. REGO MONTEIRO (Brazil) said that even with the addition of those words he could not accept the remainder of the sentence, since the use of the words "the barest minimum" went too far. During the general debate, delegations had repeatedly stressed that research activities should be related to operational activities; that was not the same as reducing them to the barest minimum, for operational projects might require a substantial amount of research.

Mr. Bradley (Argentina), Vice-President, took the Chair.

Mr. SCHEJBAL (Czechoslovakia) agreed with the representatives of Pakistan and Brazil and suggested that the words "It was the general consensus" might be replaced by "Many delegations expressed the view".

Mr. TELL (Jordan) said that he objected to that suggestion because the words "many delegations" did not indicate a majority. During the general debate, everyone had spoken of the need to ensure that UNIDO's activities were action-oriented; the Rapporteur's text was therefore an accurate reflection of the discussion.

Mr. VLADOV (Bulgaria), supported the position of the Brazilian delegation and recalled that, in the general debate, his delegation had tried to avoid placing undue emphasis on the expression "action-oriented".

Mr. OLUMIDE (Nigeria) proposed that, in order to meet the Brazilian representative's objection to the words "the barest minimum", the sentence should be redrafted to read: "It was agreed that UNIDO should devote the bulk of its activities to operational activities and should reduce and reorientate its research activities, keeping in mind that such research activities should be geared to action."

Mr. Tell (Jordan) resumed the Chair.

Mr. REGÓ MONTEIRO (Brazil) said that he could accept the Nigerian formulation if the opening words were to read: "A majority of delegations agreed that".

Mr. ARCHIBALD (Trinidad and Tobago) felt that, if the words "the barest minimum" made it difficult for some delegations to accept the paragraph, it could be deleted; however, it would be entirely unacceptable to his delegation to reflect in the section of the report covering the general debate a decision taken at a much later stage of the proceedings.

Miss DEAS (United Kingdom) pointed out that, if the Pakistan representative's proposal was accepted, the words "the bulk of its activities" would apply to both operational activities and research activities geared to action. The question what work would not be included in "the bulk of its activities" would then arise. She would therefore support either the Rapporteur's original formulation or the wording proposed by the representative of Nigeria.

Mr. BRADLEY (Argentina) said that in his view the words "general consensus" implied near-unanimity and the expression "the barest minimum" was subject to varying interpretations. Moreover, the word "reduce" was incorrect, because UNIDO had not yet embarked on any activities. He accordingly proposed that the sentence should be redrafted to read: "A broad majority was in agreement that UNIDO should devote the bulk of its activities to operational activities and should maintain its research activities at the level necessary to provide adequate support for operational activities."

Mr. MBAYE (Guinea), Rapporteur, drew attention to the last paragraph on page 10, which he thought should meet the position of the representative of Brazil.

Mr. AHMED (Pakistan) wondered if it would be possible to combine the texts of that paragraph and the paragraph under discussion.

Mr. REGO MONTEIRO (Brazil) said that that suggestion was acceptable to him, but pointed out that there was a direct contradiction between the last paragraph on page 10 and the paragraph immediately preceding it. The Rapporteur should be asked to take that into account when preparing the final text of the report.

The PRESIDENT suggested that the Board should authorize the Rapporteur to redraft the third paragraph on page 3 in the light of the comments made and of any further suggestions which delegations might submit to him.

It was so decided.

Page 3, fourth and fifth paragraphs

The paragraphs were approved.

Page 4, first to third paragraphs, and page 5, first to third paragraphs

The paragraphs were approved.

Page 5, fourth paragraph

Mr. TURKETTINI (Switzerland) suggested that a sentence should be added at the end of the paragraph, reading: "The opinion was expressed that such

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(Mr. Turrettini, Switzerland)

industries, because of their great multiplier effects, were the best basis for healthy economic development since they utilized and trained a substantial part of the available manpower."

It was so agreed.

The paragraph, as amended, was approved.

Page 5, fifth paragraph

Mr. IOPANOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) suggested that in the last sentence the words "pressure applied by the developed countries" should be replaced by the words "pressure applied by certain developed countries".

Miss DEAS (United Kingdom) suggested that the second sentence should be redrafted, in order to avoid creating any impression that General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI) provided that UNIDO should be a full-fledged specialized agency.

Mr. WOULEROUN (Belgium) said that the reference to pressure by the developed countries should be deleted or replaced. Any pressure which had been applied had been exerted by the developing countries.

Mr. STIBRAVY (United States of America) agreed with that suggestion. However, if the phrase "pressure applied by the developed countries" was maintained, he suggested that the words "concern was expressed" should be followed by the words "by some delegations".

The PRESIDENT said that the Rapporteur would redraft the paragraph in accordance with the suggestions which had been made.

The paragraph was approved.

Proposed new paragraph

Mr. TURRETTINI (Switzerland) suggested that a new paragraph should be inserted after the last paragraph on page 5, reading: "Several delegations believed that it was essential that the capacity of other United Nations organs and agencies should continue to be fully utilized in the field of industrial development. They added that co-operation between UNIDO and those organizations was indispensable."

It was so agreed.

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Page 6, first paragraph

The paragraph was approved with minor drafting changes.

Page 6, second paragraph

Mr. STIPRAVY (United States of America) said that the text did not make it sufficiently clear that the second sentence was an expression of the views of the delegations referred to in the first sentence. He therefore suggested that the words "They pointed out that" should be inserted at the beginning of the second sentence, and that the words "a sum to which all supporters of UNIDO..." should be replaced by the words "a sum to which they felt all supporters of UNIDO...".

Mr. LOBANOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) said that the text should be redrafted, since it implied that the task of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations was to increase productivity in the primary sector of the economy.

The PRESIDENT said that the Rapporteur would redraft the paragraph in the light of the comments which had been made.

The paragraph was approved.

Page 6, third paragraph

The paragraph was approved.

The meeting rose at 1.5 p.m.





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