

The Canadian Delegation, for its part, would be prepared to support an alternative form of wording in which the complementary references are laid aside, and outright approval is given to the programme adopted by the Council in its resolution 496 of the sixteenth session. In that spirit it will be glad to support the amendment placed before the committee this morning by the distinguished representative of France.

The following is the text of the resolution adopted by the Assembly on October 23, 1953 by a vote of 45 in favour (including Canada), none against, with 12 abstentions:

"The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the principles contained in its resolution 535 (VI) of 2 February 1952,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the efforts made to establish the programme of concerted practical action in the social field of the United Nations and the specialized agencies adopted in Economic and Social Council resolution 496 (XVI) of 31 July 1953;

2. Invites the Secretary-General and the specialized agencies to keep particularly in mind, in the implementation of the projects of the programme of practical action, the general principles methods and techniques defined in Economic and Social Council resolution 496 (XVI), special consideration being given to the needs of the under-developed countries;

3. Recommends that the Economic and Social Council should supplement the programme of concerted practical action in the social field of the United Nations and the specialized agencies as set forth in resolution 496 (XVI), by the insertion of a new paragraph 8 (i) reading as follows:

"Improve the situation with respect to health, education and social welfare in the Non-Self-Governing and Trust Territories;"

4. Requests the Economic and Social Council:

(a) To keep the development of the programme under consideration with a view to its progressive improvement;

(b) To consider, as appropriate, further practical measures which may be undertaken in accordance with General Assembly resolution 535 (VI) and Economic and Social Council resolution 496 (XVI) with the addition thereto recommended to the Economic and Social Council by the General Assembly at its eighth session;

(c) To report to the General Assembly on the progress achieved."