

manner the provisions of operative paragraphs 1 and 2 of the resolution in the spirit of the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee of 14, he will take immediate steps so that the 24th session of the General Assembly, in considering the planning estimate for 1971 will be able to do so in the light of long-term programme plans with appropriate cost figures based on the specific priorities which are considered to be essential. These programmes would cover United Nations activities in the economic and social field and would be reviewed in succession by CPC, ECOSOC and ACABQ.

This approach I have just outlined would allow member states to consider programmes concurrently with costs and would go some distance in assisting the Secretary-General in his efforts to reconcile the work programme adopted by the legislative organs with the resources made available by member states.

Mr. Chairman, we feel that the resolution contains proposals which depending on how they are implemented, could further the attainment of the objectives to which we subscribe -- namely the development of effective long-term plans formulated in the light of essential priorities; the adoption of a planning estimate based on these long-term plans, for the second succeeding budgetary period; and the introduction of a system whereby both the programme review and budgetary review bodies would look at programmes in relation to costs.

My delegation notes with satisfaction the spirit of cooperation which has enabled various members of this committee to reach agreement on this resolution. In keeping with this spirit of cooperation, which Canada trusts will continue to be a particularly significant force in