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ACTION TAKEN BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
ON THE DRAFT RESOLUTION
RECOMMENDED BY THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS
AT ITS FIRST MEETING

At its first meeting, the Conference of Ministers recommended the adoption by the Economic and Social Council of a draft resolution the text of which is reproduced in part IV of the annual report of the Commission ^{1/}. This draft was put before the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-first session and, on 20 July 1971, the Council adopted resolution 1608 (LI) as follows:

1608 (LI). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Africa

The Economic and Social Council

1. Takes note of the report of the Economic Commission for Africa covering the period from 15 February 1970 to 13 February 1971 (E/4997) and the recommendations and resolutions contained in parts II and III of that report;
2. Endorses the programme of work and priorities, 1971-1973, with projections to 1976, contained in part V of the report;
3. Takes note of the recommendations made in the Commission's resolution 217(X) on regional structures within the United Nations system (ibid., part III), with respect to the implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1553(XLIX) of 30 July 1970;
4. Commends the Commission for the measures it has taken ibid., resolution 218(X) to chart a meaningful strategy for Africa's economic and social development in the 1970s, within the framework of the global International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 2626(XXV) of 24 October 1970.

1785th plenary meeting,

20 July 1971.

1/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, fifty-first session, Supplement No. 5 (E/4997).