

# ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE FOURTH SESSION

The adjourned meeting of the Fourth Session of the Council was held at Washington, D.C., on 9 May, 1946, to enable the Director-General to report on the outcome of his consultations regarding the world food situation with the representatives of the supplying Governments and the Combined Food Board. The following resolution was adopted:—

“ WHEREAS

“ Resolution 89<sup>(1)</sup> instructed the Director General to consult with representatives of the supplying Governments and with the Combined Food Board to consider the effectiveness of the steps being taken to meet the present food crisis and to report thereon to the Central Committee and to the Council: and

“ WHEREAS

“ The Director General has submitted to the Council a report which indicates that, in spite of his vigorous and forceful efforts to secure adequate quantities of essential foods, and despite the adoption of emergency measures by the Governments concerned, the situation has nevertheless become increasingly grave; and

“ WHEREAS

“ The Council has noted the recommendations of the Director General in his report; and

“ WHEREAS

“ The Council has been informed that the Governments principally concerned are now in consultation regarding plans to improve the international machinery for the allocation of foodstuffs in short supply and regarding the development of more adequate measures for implementing allocations; and

“ WHEREAS

“ At the forthcoming special meeting of the Food and Agriculture Organization on the 20th May there will be considered, ‘ the desirability of making recommendations to Governments regarding a four or five-year plan, designed to carry the world through the present crises and to assist in effecting a smooth transition from emergency measures to a permanent world food policy ’, it is therefore

“ RESOLVED

“ The Council recommends that, in view of the prospect of continuing serious world food shortages, the supplying and importing Governments concerned develop immediately plans for the improvement of international machinery for the allocation of foodstuffs in short supply.

“ The Council recommends further that the Governments concerned, in view of the present emergency, develop immediately more adequate machinery for making effective all allocations.

“ The Council recommends further that in making allocations the allocating authorities should constantly seek to achieve a fair and equitable distribution of supplies among all the United Nations according to their needs.”

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(<sup>1</sup>) Relating to the world food crisis. Adopted by the Council at its Fourth Session; see page 6.