



Resolution 530 (1972)¹

Reply to the 1971 report on the activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly

1. Takes note of the 1971 annual OECD report ([Doc. 3113](#)) and the report of its Committee on Economic Affairs and Development in reply thereto ([Doc. 3174](#)) ;
2. Welcomes the accession of Australia as the twenty-third member State of OECD ;
3. Reaffirms its support for OECD as the central institution for general economic policy consultation and concertation among developed market economies ;
4. Supports the view that, whereas OECD is competent to study both trade and monetary questions and their interrelationships, negotiations on these questions should take place in GATT and IMF ;
5. Notes with satisfaction that the economic prospects of the OECD area are generally encouraging and that in particular inflation is at last abating, but expresses its concern at the likelihood of continuing high rates of unemployment in several OECD countries ;
6. Welcomes OECD's increasing concern for improving the quality of life, and supports every endeavour to consider economic growth in an overall context ;
7. Calls upon OECD to make known its attitude towards the theses of zero and limited or balanced economic growth ;
8. Notes with interest that OECD approves the principle that "the polluter should pay" ;
9. Expresses its disappointment as regards the future of development co-operation ;
10. Welcomes the OECD decision to undertake an overall assessment of the long-term energy problems of the OECD area ;
11. Notes with satisfaction the close and fruitful working relations between OECD and the Council of Europe in the field of science and technology, as manifested by the presence of a Council of Europe delegation at the fourth meeting of Ministers of Science of OECD member States and the active participation of OECD in ensuring the success of the Third Parliamentary and Scientific Conference ;
12. Hopes that the conclusions of the Third Parliamentary and Scientific Conference will be examined by the appropriate OECD body with a view to effective action being taken on the conference recommendations ;
13. Considers that following the enlargement of EEC the Consultative Assembly should work in the closest possible collaboration with OECD.

1. Assembly debate on 19 October 1972 (12th Sitting) (see [Doc. 3174](#), report of the Committee on Economic Affairs and Development). Text adopted by the Assembly on 19 October 1972 (12th dieting).

