



Resolution 569 (1974)¹

FAO Indicative World Plan

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Having taken note of the report by its Committee on Agriculture on the FAO Indicative World Plan ([Doc. 3422](#)) ;
 2. Recalling its [Recommendation 668 \(1971\)](#) on the second World Food Congress and the freedom from hunger campaign in the world ;
 3. Noting that, in spite of the aid already given to less developed countries, the rich nations have still not been prepared to transfer a sufficiently large part of their resources to the third world, failing which it is impossible to improve the outlook for the underprivileged populations of the globe ;
 4. Noting with anxiety that the world food situation has deteriorated and the cereal surpluses which hitherto served to alleviate the most acute shortages have disappeared ;
 5. Supporting the FAO Director General's proposal to constitute a world food reserve by adequate national production and stock policies,
 6. Congratulates FAO on its initiative and effort in connection with the establishment of an Indicative World Plan and the perspective studies that have been made following the drawing-up of the provisional plan ;
 7. Calls once again upon the countries of Europe :
- a. to accept that :

sacrifices are necessary on their part if truly effective assistance is to be given to the third world ;

the food situation in the developing countries can only be improved on a long-term basis if European governments make certain modifications in the implementation of their agricultural policies ;

in future, food must be bought at prices which give a fair return to those who have produced it, this being in the interests of international justice and of farmers throughout the world ;

- b. to examine the following solutions to the problems of world agricultural development :

policy of guidance of production of those European crops which can be grown more cheaply in developing countries ;

fair prices for all agricultural products, whether grown in Europe, the developing countries or elsewhere, so as to ensure to all efficient farmers a decent standard of living ;

conclusion of international commodity agreements for the major agricultural products ;

planned surpluses of certain European agricultural products, those surpluses to be made available as food aid to the third world.

1. Assembly debate on 10 May 1974 (6th Sitting) (see [Doc. 3422](#), report of the Committee on Agriculture). Text adopted by the Assembly on 10 May 1974 (6th Sitting).

