advance of the financial and administrative considerations involved:

- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that no effort is spared within the Secretariat to maintain the progress achieved and to extend it in all ways possible, taking into account the guiding principles set forth in paragraph 10 of the report of the Committee;
- 6. Further requests the Secretary-General, within the existing establishment, to extend the editorial control services:
- 7. Urges the representatives of Member States as well as all other members of commissions, committees and similar bodies to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in carrying out the policy laid down by the General Assembly, particularly in resolutions 593 (VI) of 4 February 1952, 789 (VIII) of 9 December 1953 and 1203 (XII) of 13 December 1957;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to report on the operation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its fifteenth session or earlier.

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## 1273 (XIII). Construction of the United Nations building in Santiago, Chile

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1224 (XII) of 14 December 1957, in accordance with which the Secretary-General accepted the generous offer by the Government of Chile of a plot of land for the construction of a building to house the United Nations offices in Chile,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General 15 in which financial proposals for the construction of the building, based on resolution 147 (AC.41) adopted on 3 October 1958 by the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America, are presented,

Taking note of the thirteenth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the thirteenth session of the General Assembly, 16

- 1. Authorizes the Secretary-General to proceed with the preparation of plans and with the construction of the United Nations building in Santiago, Chile, at a cost not to exceed \$850,000;
- 2. Decides to appropriate in the regular United Nations budget for 1959 the sum of \$50,000 for initial preparatory and construction expenses for the building;
- 3. Decides, in principle, that the balance of the building cost shall be included in the regular United Nations budget in annual instalments of \$200,000 for each of the ensuing four years;
- 4. Authorizes the Secretary-General to initiate negotiations, if he finds it necessary, with the Governments of States members of the Economic Commission for Latin America with a view to their making reimbursable interest-free advances to the United Nations to meet cash requirements for the construction;
- 5. Authorizes the Secretary-General to advance out of the Working Capital Fund the moneys required for building costs for which no cash is available;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions informed of developments in 1959 and to present a progress report on this project to the General Assembly at its fourteenth session.

> 781st plenary meeting, 14 November 1958.

## 1292 (XIII). Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of the Committee on Contributions

The General Assembly

1. Appoints the following persons as members of the Committee on Contributions:

Mr. Raymond T. Bowman,

Mr. F. Nouredin Kia.

Mr. Jerzy Michalowski;

2. Declares Mr. Bowman, Mr. Kia and Mr. Michalowski to be appointed for a three-year term to commence on 1 January 1959.

> 782nd plenary meeting, 5 December 1958.

#### 1293 (XIII). Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee

The General Assembly

1. Appoints the following persons as members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee:

Members:

Mr. A. H. M. Hillis,

Mr. Rigoberto Torres Astorga,

Mr. Albert S. Watson;

Alternate members:

Mr. Bahman Ahaneen,

Mr. Johan Kaufmann,

Mr. Arthur C. Liveran;

2. Declares these members and alternate members to be appointed for a three-year term to commence on 1 January 1959.

> 782nd plenary meeting, 5 December 1958.

### 1294 (XIII). Geographical distribution of the staff of the Secretariat of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General regarding the geographical distribution of the staff of the Secretariat of the United Nations,17

Noting that some progress has been made towards the implementation of its resolutions 1097 (XI) of 27 February 1957 and 1226 (XII) of 14 December 1957,

#### 1. Recommends that:

(a) The Secretary-General should continue his efforts to achieve a better geographical distribution of the staff of the United Nations Secretariat at all levels, giving particular regard to posts at the top level;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, agenda item 52, document A/3952. <sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, document A/3972.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Ibid., agenda item 53, document A/C.5/750.

- (b) More interchange of personnel between Headquarters and the field offices of the United Nations should be carried out whenever possible;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to report more fully to the General Assembly at its fourteenth session on the progress which has been made in this regard, including an analysis of the problems arising in this matter.

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## 1295 (XIII). Amendments to the Staff Regulations of the United Nations

The General Assembly

Resolves that the Staff Regulations of the United Nations shall be modified by the amendments annexed to the present resolution, with effect from 1 January 1959.

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#### ANNEX

#### Regulation 3.4 (Dependency benefits)

Replace the present text of paragraph (c) by the following: "With a view to avoiding duplication of benefits and in order to achieve equality between staff members who receive dependency benefits under applicable laws in the form of governmental grants and staff members who do not receive such dependency benefits, the Secretary-General shall prescribe conditions under which the dependency allowance for a child specified in (a) (i) above shall be payable only to the extent that the dependency benefits enjoyed by the staff member or his spouse under applicable laws amount to less than such a dependency allowance."

### Annex IV, paragraph 2 (Service benefit)

Replace the present text of paragraph (b) by the following: "Should such a staff member be granted a probationary or permanent appointment, or complete five years of qualifying service and remain on a contract providing for further service of at least one year, or remain in employment for more than one year thereafter, he shall lose entitlement to the service benefit."

# 1296 (XIII). Report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds

#### A

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds<sup>18</sup> appointed at the twelfth session of the General Assembly,

Recognizing the importance of determining the financial resources for activities and programmes to be financed by voluntary contributions before the reports on such activities and programmes are considered and acted upon by the General Assembly,

#### Decides that:

1. An ad hoc Committee of the whole Assembly, under the chairmanship of the President of the session, shall be convened as soon as practicable after the opening of the fourteenth session, where pledges of voluntary contributions for the two refugee programmes for the following year would be announced, with separate meetings dedicated to each programme;

- 2. States not Members of the United Nations, but members of one or more of the specialized agencies, shall be invited to attend the meetings of the ad hoc Committee for the purpose of announcing their pledges to the two refugee programmes;
- 3. In order to ensure maximum attendance, as great advance publicity as possible shall be given to the meetings of the *ad hoc* Committee and they shall be so scheduled that no other meetings are held at the same time.

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#### В

#### The General Assembly

- 1. Requests the President of the General Assembly to appoint a Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds consisting of not more than ten members, with the same terms of reference as those laid down in Assembly resolution 693 (VII) of 25 October 1952, to serve from the close of the thirteenth session to the close of the fourteenth session of the Assembly;
- 2. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fourteenth session the item entitled "Report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds".

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At the 782nd plenary meeting on 5 December 1958, the President of the General Assembly appointed a Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds to serve until the close of the fourteenth session of the Assembly. The Committee is composed as follows: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, France, Lebanon, New Zealand, Pakistan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

#### 1297 (XIII). United Nations International School

The General Assembly,

Having considered the progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations International School<sup>19</sup> as well as the report by the Board of Trustees of the School,<sup>20</sup>

Recalling its earlier resolutions on this subject, namely resolutions 1102 (XI) of 27 February 1957 and 1228 A (XII) of 14 December 1957,

Noting with satisfaction that steps taken by the Secretary-General have resulted in the acquisition, for a period of up to three years, of premises for the School in Manhattan, and that the School has been in operation at these premises since the beginning of the present academic year,

Noting further the continued need of the School for suitable permanent premises as near as practicable to United Nations Headquarters,

Noting also that the Board of Trustees, in furthering the desired development of the School in Manhattan, is faced with a consequential deficit of up to \$54,000 in regard to the current academic year,

1. Reaffirms the belief that the provision of adequate accommodation for the United Nations International School is in the best interest of the Organization;

<sup>30</sup> Ibid., document A/C.5/754.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Ibid., agenda item 46, documents A/3944 and Add.1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ibid., agenda item 54, document A/3911.