

1335 (XIII). Public information activities of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Noting with appreciation the report of the Committee of Experts on United Nations Public Information²⁶ and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon,²⁷

Noting further the statements made by the Secretary-General at the 682nd and 689th meetings of the Fifth Committee concerning the public information activities of the United Nations, in particular his statement that it is his intention to act upon the many excellent recommendations included in paragraph 227 of the report of the Committee of Experts in the light of the basic principles as interpreted in his statement made at the 682nd meeting,

Recalling its resolution 13 (I) of 13 February 1946, as modified by its resolution 595 (VI) of 4 February 1952, setting forth the basic policy of the United Nations public information programme and the principles for the implementation thereof,

Considering that, pursuant to the above-mentioned resolutions, the Secretary-General should, within budgetary limitations imposed by the General Assembly, make available objective and factual information concerning the United Nations and its activities to all the peoples of the world through any appropriate media,

Believing that, consistent with this policy, the Secretary-General should give priority to the use of all media of information which ensure the maximum of effectiveness at the lowest possible cost,

Considering that the Secretary-General should place greater emphasis than heretofore upon enlisting the co-operation of Governments of Member States, privately-owned mass media of information, private institutions, non-governmental organizations, and educators in the programme of informing the peoples of the world of the United Nations and its activities,

Considering that greater emphasis should be placed upon the operations and effectiveness of information centres in relation to the Office of Public Information at Headquarters, without impairing the over-all central direction of the United Nations information programme or the present facilities for the representatives of media of mass communication,

Decides to request the Secretary-General:

1. To give effect in 1959 in so far as practicable to those recommendations made by the Committee of Experts on United Nations Public Information and to any other means which, in the opinion of the Secretary-General, will further the objectives set out in the preamble of the present resolution with the maximum of effectiveness at the lowest possible cost;

2. To consult the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions concerning the financial implications of the action consequent upon his implementing the recommendations in operative paragraph 1 above;

3. To report to the General Assembly at its fourteenth session concerning the progress he has made in implementing the present resolution.

*790th plenary meeting,
13 December 1958.*

²⁶ *Ibid.*, Thirteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 55, document A/3928.

²⁷ *Ibid.*, document A/3945.

1336 (XIII). Administrative and budgetary co-ordination between the United Nations and the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

A

The General Assembly

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administrative budgets of the specialized agencies for 1959²⁸ and of its special report relating to the International Civil Aviation Organization;²⁹

2. *Invites the attention* of the specialized agencies to the comments and observations made in the Advisory Committee's report on the budgets of the agencies and to the views expressed in the Fifth Committee at the thirteenth session of the General Assembly;

3. *Invites the attention* of the International Civil Aviation Organization to the observations and suggestions contained in the Advisory Committee's special report relating to that organization.

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B

The General Assembly

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the budget of the International Atomic Energy Agency for the financial year 1959;³⁰

2. *Invites the attention* of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the observations and suggestions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee and to the views expressed in the Fifth Committee at the thirteenth session of the General Assembly.

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13 December 1958.*

1337 (XIII). Cost estimates for the maintenance of the United Nations Emergency Force

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1151 (XII) of 22 November 1957 and 1204 (XII) of 13 December 1957 concerning the financing of the United Nations Emergency Force beyond 31 December 1957,

Recalling also its resolution 1263 (XIII) of 14 November 1958 requesting the Fifth Committee to recommend such action as may be necessary to finance the continuing operation of the Force,

Having examined the budget estimates for the Force submitted by the Secretary-General for the year 1958³¹ and for the year 1959,³²

Having considered the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the estimates for the Force for 1958 in its second report to the thirteenth session of the General Assembly,³³ and on the estimates for 1959 in its twenty-fifth report to the thirteenth session of the General Assembly,³⁴

²⁸ *Ibid.*, agenda item 50, document A/4032.

²⁹ *Ibid.*, document A/3861.

³⁰ *Ibid.*, document A/4016.

³¹ *Ibid.*, Thirteenth Session, Supplement No. 5A (A/3823).

³² *Ibid.*, Thirteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 65, document A/3984.

³³ *Ibid.*, document A/3839.

³⁴ *Ibid.*, document A/4002.

1. *Confirms* its authorization to the Secretary-General to expend up to a maximum of \$25 million for the operation of the United Nations Emergency Force during 1958;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to expend up to a maximum of \$19 million for the continuing operation of the Force during 1959;

3. *Approves* the observations and recommendations contained in the second and twenty-fifth reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the thirteenth session of the General Assembly;

4. *Decides* that the expenses authorized in paragraph 2 above, less any amounts pledged or contributed by

Governments of Member States as special assistance prior to 31 December 1958, shall be borne by the Members of the United Nations in accordance with the scale of assessments adopted by the General Assembly for the financial year 1959;³⁵

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to consult with the Governments of Member States with respect to their views concerning the manner of financing the Force in the future, and to submit a report together with the replies to the General Assembly at its fourteenth session.

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13 December 1958.

³⁵ See resolution 1308 (XIII).

1338 (XIII). Budget appropriations for the financial year 1959

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1959:

1. Appropriations totalling \$US60,802,120 are hereby voted for the following purposes:

Section	A. UNITED NATIONS	US dollars
	<i>Part I. Sessions of the General Assembly, the councils, commissions and committees; special meetings and conferences</i>	
1.	Travel of representatives, members of commissions and committees....	882,500
2.	Special meetings and conferences	1,543,500
3.	Board of Auditors	51,000
	TOTAL, PART I	2,477,000
	<i>Part II. Special missions and related activities</i>	
4.	Special missions and related activities	2,374,600
4a.	Expenses arising from General Assembly resolution 1237 (ES-III) and residual expenses of the United Nations Observation Group in Lebanon	500,000
5.	United Nations Field Service	1,153,800
	TOTAL, PART II	4,028,400
	<i>Part III. The Secretariat</i>	
6.	Salaries and wages	30,802,700
6a.	Economic Commission for Africa	500,000
7.	Common staff costs	6,431,500
8.	Travel of staff and members of administrative bodies	1,530,100
9.	Hospitality	25,000
9a.	Payments under annex I, paragraphs 2 and 3, of the Staff Regulations	70,000
	TOTAL, PART III	39,359,300
	<i>Part IV. Special offices</i>	
10.	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.....	1,398,000
10a.	World Refugee Year	50,000
	TOTAL, PART IV	1,448,000
	<i>Part V. Common services and equipment</i>	
11.	General expenses	5,330,000
12.	Printing, stationery and library supplies	2,127,200
13.	Permanent equipment	697,220
	TOTAL, PART V	8,154,420
	<i>Part VI. Technical programmes</i>	
14.	Economic development	480,000
15.	Social activities	925,000
16.	Human rights activities	100,000
17.	Public administration	500,000
	TOTAL, PART VI	2,005,000