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## FINANCING OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1961

*The General Assembly*

*Resolves* that for the financial year 1961:

1. Budget appropriations totalling \$US72,969,300, together with supplementary appropriations for 1960 totalling \$2,585,200, shall be financed as follows, in accordance with regulations 5.1 and 5.2 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations:

(a) As to \$5,531,530, by income other than staff assessment approved under resolution B above;

(b) As to \$623,131, by the balance on surplus account for the financial year 1959;

(c) As to \$52,032, by the contributions of new Member States for 1960;

(d) As to \$69,347,807, by assessment on Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1552 (XV) of 18 December 1960;

2. There shall be set off against the assessment on Member States:

(a) Their respective shares in the Tax Equalization Fund, subject to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, comprising:

(i) \$6,730,000, being the estimated staff assessment income for 1961;

(ii) \$161,869, being the excess of staff assessment income for 1959 over estimated income;

(b) Their credits in respect of the transfer of the League of Nations assets, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 250 (III) of 11 December 1948.

*960th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1960.*

**1585 (XV). Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the financial year 1961***The General Assembly*

1. *Resolves* that, for the financial year 1961, the Secretary-General, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and subject to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, is authorized to enter into commitments to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses, provided that the concurrence of the Advisory Committee shall not be necessary for:

(a) Such commitments, not exceeding a total of \$2 million, as the Secretary-General certifies relate to the maintenance of peace and security or to urgent economic rehabilitation;

(b) Such commitments as the President of the International Court of Justice certifies relate to expenses occasioned by:

(i) The designation of *ad hoc* judges (Statute, Art. 31), not exceeding a total of \$30,000;

(ii) The appointment of assessors (Statute, Art. 30), or the calling of witnesses and the appointment of experts (Statute, Art. 50), not exceeding a total of \$25,000;

(iii) The maintenance in office of judges who have not been re-elected (Statute, Art. 13, para. 3), not exceeding a total of \$40,000;

(iv) The holding of sessions of the Court away from The Hague (Statute, Art. 22), not exceeding a total of \$75,000;

(v) The payment of pensions and travel and removal expenses of judges not re-elected, and travel and removal expenses of new members of the Court, not exceeding a total of \$57,000;

(c) Such commitments not exceeding a total of \$25,000 as may be authorized by the Secretary-General in accordance with paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 1202 (XII) of 13 December 1957 relating to the pattern of conferences;

2. *Resolves* that the Secretary-General shall report to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session all commitments made under the provisions of the present resolution, together with the circumstances relating thereto, and shall submit supplementary estimates to the Assembly in respect of such commitments;

3. *Requests* the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, in the light of discussions in the Fifth Committee, to study and report to the General Assembly at its resumed fifteenth session on the question of the review of the resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses of the United Nations.

*960th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1960.*

**1586 (XV). Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1961***The General Assembly*

*Resolves* that:

1. The Working Capital Fund shall be established for the year ending 31 December 1961 at an amount of US25 million, to be derived:

(a) As to \$23,920,842, from cash advances by Members in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 below:

(b) As to \$1,079,158, by transfer from surplus account as follows:

(i) \$551,170 being the balance of surplus account as at 31 December 1957 not applied against Members' assessments in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1340 (XIII) of 13 December 1958,

(ii) \$527,988 being the balance of surplus account as at 31 December 1958, not applied against

Member's assessments in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1445 (XIV) of 5 December 1959;

2. Members shall make cash advances to the Working Capital Fund as required under paragraph 1 (a) above in accordance with the scale adopted by the General Assembly for contribution of Members to the budget for the financial year 1961;

3. There shall be set off against this allocation of advances the amounts paid by Members to the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1960 under General Assembly resolution 1445 (XIV) provided that, should such advance paid by any Member to the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1960 exceed the amount of that Member's advance under the provisions of paragraph 2 above, the excess shall be set off against the amount of contributions payable by that Member in respect of the budget for the financial year 1961, or any previous budget;

4. The Secretary-General is authorized to advance from the Working Capital Fund:

(a) Such sums as may be necessary to finance budgetary appropriations pending receipt of contributions; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed as soon as receipts from contributions are available for the purpose;

(b) Such sums as may be necessary to finance commitments which may be duly authorized under the provisions of General Assembly resolution 1585 (XV) of 20 December 1960, relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund;

(c) Such sums as, together with net sums outstanding for the same purpose, do not exceed \$125,000, to continue the revolving fund to finance miscellaneous self-liquidating purchases and activities; advances in excess of the total \$125,000 may be made with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(d) Loans to specialized agencies and preparatory commissions of agencies to be established by inter-governmental agreement under the auspices of the United Nations to finance their work, pending receipt by the agencies concerned of sufficient contributions under their own budgets; such loans shall normally be repayable within two years, and the Secretary-General shall obtain the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for any cash issues which would increase the aggregate balance outstanding (including amounts previously advanced and outstanding) at any one time to an amount in excess of \$250,000;

(e) Such sums not exceeding \$35,000 as may be required to finance payments of advance insurance premiums where the period of insurance extends beyond the end of the financial year in which payment is made; this amount may be increased with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates of each year, during the life of the related policies, to cover the charges applicable to each such year;

(f) Such sums as may be necessary to enable the Tax Equalization Fund to meet current commitments pending accumulation of credits; such advances shall be repaid as soon as credits are available in the Tax Equalization Fund;

(g) Such sums, not to exceed \$100,000 during the period 1961 to 1964, as may be necessary to finance awards made for the international encouragement of scientific research into the control of cancerous diseases, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 1398 (XIV) of 20 November 1959; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the annual budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund;

5. Should the provisions in paragraph 1 above prove inadequate to meet the purposes normally related to the Working Capital Fund, the Secretary-General is authorized to utilize in 1961, under the conditions approved in General Assembly resolution 1448 (XIV) of 5 December 1959, cash from special funds and accounts in his custody or to seek short-term loans from Governments.

960th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1960.

#### 1587 (XV). Administrative arrangements under the draft Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs

*The General Assembly,*

*Bearing in mind* that a Conference of Plenipotentiaries will be convened in January 1961 for the purpose of concluding a Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs,

*Having noted with approval* the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on administrative arrangements under the draft Single Convention,<sup>45</sup>

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the Conference of Plenipotentiaries;

2. *Commends* the recommendations of the Advisory Committee to the consideration of the Conference in connexion with the relevant articles of the draft Single Convention.

960th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1960.

#### 1588 (XV). System of travel and subsistence allowances to members of organs and subsidiary organs of the United Nations

*The General Assembly,*

*Confirming* the principles that govern the payment out of United Nations funds of travel and subsistence expenses to members of organs and subsidiary organs of the United Nations, as set forth in General Assembly resolution 1075 (XI) of 7 December 1956,

*Taking note however* of the increases in subsistence costs that have occurred since the rates of subsistence allowance were established in General Assembly resolution 459 (V) of 1 December 1950,

1. *Decides* that, with effect from 1 January 1961, subsistence allowance shall be payable to eligible members of organs and subsidiary organs of the United Nations at the following daily rates:

|   | <i>U.S. dollars</i> |
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| (a) While attending meetings at Headquarters, New York . . . . .                      | 30                  |
| (b) While attending meetings in Geneva, the equivalent in local currency of . . . . . | 23                  |

<sup>45</sup> *Ibid.*, agenda item 50, document A/4603.