

- “(ii) The availability of human and physical resources necessary for servicing conferences should be determined and taken into account;
- “(iii) The financial ability of the organizations and of member States to meet the requirements necessary to hold conferences should be determined and taken into account;
- “(iv) An adequate interval of time should be allowed between conferences of the same body or of a similar nature”;³⁴

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session a calendar of conferences for 1971 and preliminary calendars of conferences for 1972 and 1973;

14. *Notes* that the Economic and Social Council has already achieved a certain measure of success in reducing the number of meetings of its subsidiary bodies, as described in paragraphs 615 to 629 of its report for the period 3 August 1968 to 8 August 1969,³⁵ and that the Trade and Development Board has examined proposals for improving the machinery of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,³⁶ and urges both bodies to continue their efforts to reduce the number of meetings of their subsidiary bodies without impairing effective positive action on worth-while programmes;

15. *Takes note* of the comments of the Joint Inspection Unit in paragraph 198 of its report³⁷ on the need for improving the United Nations meetings system, and requests it to submit a report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session, through the appropriate channel, setting forth its views on possible improvements in the system used by the United Nations in handling and processing documents before, during and after meetings, including sessions of the General Assembly, and in the organization of the proceedings at such meetings.

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16 December 1969.*

2610 (XXIV). Audit reports relating to expenditure by the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly

Takes note of the audit reports relating to expenditure during the year ended 31 December 1968 by the participating and executing agencies of funds allocated from the Technical Assistance Account of the United Nations Development Programme³⁸ and from the Special Fund Account of the United Nations Development Programme,³⁹ and of the observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon.⁴⁰

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³⁴ *Ibid.*, Twenty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 80, document A/6343, para. 104 (k).

³⁵ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/7603 and Corr.1).

³⁶ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 16 (A/7616), part three, chapter VI.

³⁷ A/7576 and Corr.1, annex.

³⁸ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/7627).*

³⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 28 (A/7628).

⁴⁰ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda item 79, documents A/7883 and A/7884.

2611 (XXIV). Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on general co-ordination matters⁴¹ and on the administrative budgets for 1970 of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency;⁴²

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to refer the report on general co-ordination matters to the executive heads of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency through the consultative machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, as well as to the members of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, the Board of Auditors and the Joint Inspection Unit for their information;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to refer to the executive heads of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency the observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in chapter III of its report on their administrative budgets for 1970.

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2612 (XXIV). United Nations International School

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General⁴³ and the report of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations International School annexed thereto, and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon,⁴⁴

Recalling its resolutions 1102 (XI) of 27 February 1957, 1297 (XIII) of 5 December 1958, 1439 (XIV) of 5 December 1959, 1591 (XV) of 20 December 1960, 1727 (XVI) of 20 December 1961, 1853 (XVII) of 19 December 1962, 1982 (XVIII) of 17 December 1963, 2123 (XX) of 21 December 1965, 2176 (XXI) of 9 December 1966, 2358 (XXII) of 19 December 1967 and 2477 (XXIII) of 21 December 1968, in which it, *inter alia*, recognized the role of the United Nations International School as a factor in the recruitment and retention of international staff, affirmed that the provision of adequate accommodation for the School is in the Organization's best interest and expressed the belief that the School's financial solvency should be assured,

Noting the decision of the Board of Trustees to proceed with the construction of new school premises at the East 25th Street site, based on grants for this purpose,

Noting with appreciation that the Ford Foundation has authorized a supplementary grant of \$4 million to the construction fund for the new premises, provided that substantial progress is made in raising a development fund of \$5 million,

Noting the opinion of the Secretary-General and the Board of Trustees that a development fund of \$5 mil-

⁴¹ *Ibid.*, agenda item 80, document A/7805.

⁴² *Ibid.*, document A/7818.

⁴³ *Ibid.*, agenda item 85, document A/7583.

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, document A/7814.

lion is required for the financial viability of the new school as well as for keeping the educational cost within reach of parents who are members of the United Nations staff and delegations,

Being advised that, in addition to voluntary contributions of about \$350,000 to the Development Fund already pledged or paid by forty-four Governments in past years and revenue expected from a proposed exceptional stamp issue, about \$2 million will be needed from United Nations sources over the next three or four years, together with a comparable sum hoped to be raised from outside private donors, in order to reach the goal of \$5 million,

Aware that voluntary contributions from Governments have fallen far short of expectations raised in earlier resolutions,

Convinced that a collective contribution by all Member States is justified to raise the necessary \$2 million for the Development Fund and also to stimulate voluntary contributions, as well as to prevent the lapse of the offer of funds for the construction of permanent premises,

Noting that the School faces a deficit of \$65,000 for the current school year,

1. *Looks forward* to an early start of actual construction and completion by 1972 of the permanent premises of the United Nations International School on the East 25th Street site;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to proceed without delay with the preparation for the issue and promotion of a commemorative United Nations stamp, the net proceeds of which he is authorized to allocate

to the United Nations International School Development Fund and to the Capital Development Fund of the International School of Geneva;

3. *Decides* in principle to contribute \$2 million to the United Nations International School Development Fund over a period of four years and specifically to make an initial contribution of \$500,000 from the regular budget for 1971, and notes that annual grants towards the operating deficit of the School will be phased out as the Development Fund is built up;

4. *Invites* further voluntary contributions to the United Nations International School Development Fund from private donors, and in this connexion endorses the proposal of the Secretary-General to recommend to the Board of Trustees the appointment of a development fund committee composed of outstanding persons with the responsibility of making a sustained effort to reach, by 1973, a target of \$2 million in the form of private donations;

5. *Decides* to contribute \$65,000 to the International School Fund in 1970 to cover the deficit foreseen for the current school year;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to inform the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution;

7. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to the Ford Foundation and to the host country authorities concerned in token of appreciation for their assistance towards making the United Nations International School a success.

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2613 (XXIV). Budget for the financial year 1970

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BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1970

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1970:

1. Appropriations totalling \$US 168,420,000 are hereby voted for the following purposes:

Section	(US dollars)
<i>Part I. Sessions of the General Assembly, the councils, commissions and committees; special meetings and conferences</i>	
1. Travel and other expenses of representatives and members of commissions, committees and other subsidiary bodies	1,496,500
2. Special meetings and conferences	2,091,000
TOTAL, PART I	3,587,500
<i>Part II. Staff costs and related expenses</i>	
3. Salaries and wages	75,546,325
4. Common staff costs	17,549,275
5. Travel of staff	2,314,400
6. Payments under annex I, paragraphs 2 and 5, of the Staff Regulations, hospitality	145,000
TOTAL, PART II	95,555,000
<i>Part III. Premises, equipment, supplies and services</i>	
7. Buildings and improvements to premises	5,202,600
8. Permanent equipment	820,000
9. Maintenance, operation and rental of premises	5,584,950