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VOLUNTARY FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES

The General Assembly

1. *Accepts* the accounts of the voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the year ended 31 December 1970 and the certificates of the Board of Auditors;¹¹

2. *Takes note* of the observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions as set forth in its report.¹²

*1979th plenary meeting,
8 November 1971.*

2760 (XXVI). Appointment to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Board of Auditors*The General Assembly*

Appoints the Auditor-General of Colombia as a member of the Board of Auditors for a three-year term beginning on 1 July 1972.

*1979th plenary meeting,
8 November 1971.*

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As a result of the above appointment, the Board of Auditors will be composed as follows: the Auditor-General of CANADA, the Auditor-General of COLOMBIA and the Comptroller and Auditor-General of PAKISTAN.

2761 (XXVI). Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal*The General Assembly*

Appoints the following persons as members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1972:

Mr. Francis T. P. Plimpton,
Sir Roger Bentham Stevens.

*1979th plenary meeting,
8 November 1971.*

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As a result of the above appointments, the United Nations Administrative Tribunal will be composed as follows: Mrs. Paul BASTID (France), Mr. Francisco FORTEZA (Uruguay), Mr. Vincent MUTUALE (Zaire), Mr. Francis T. P. PLIMPTON (United States of America), Mr. Zenon ROSSIDES (Cyprus), Sir Roger Bentham STEVENS (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Mr. R. VENKATARAMAN (India).

2762 (XXVI). Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations*The General Assembly*

Resolves that:

(a) The rates of assessment for the following States, which were admitted to membership in the United

Nations at the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth sessions of the General Assembly, shall be as follows:

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Per cent</i>
Bhutan	0.04
Fiji	0.04

These rates shall be added to the scale of assessments for 1972 and 1973 contained in subparagraph (a) of General Assembly resolution 2654 (XXV) of 4 December 1970;

(b) For the financial year 1970, Fiji, which became a Member of the United Nations on 13 October 1970, shall contribute an amount equal to one ninth of 0.04 per cent applied to the same basis of assessment for 1970 as for other Member States;

(c) For the financial year 1971, Fiji shall contribute at the rate of 0.04 per cent and Bhutan, which became a Member of the United Nations on 21 September 1971, at the rate of one ninth of 0.04 per cent, these rates to be applied to the same basis of assessment for 1971 as for other Member States;

(d) The contributions payable by Fiji for 1970 and 1971 and by Bhutan for 1971 shall be used for the financing of the budget for 1972 under regulation 5.2 (c) of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations;

(e) The advances to the Working Capital Fund by Bhutan and Fiji under regulation 5.8 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations shall for each of these States be 0.04 per cent of the total amount of the Fund, and these advances shall be carried as additional to the authorized level of the Fund.

*1979th plenary meeting,
8 November 1971.*

2772 (XXVI). Salary and retirement allowance of the Secretary-General*The General Assembly,*

Noting that the net base salary of the Secretary-General has remained unchanged since 1 January 1968, when it was established at \$31,600 net per annum (\$50,000 gross per annum) and when provision was made for the appropriate post adjustments to be continued,

Noting also that the gross salaries of staff in the Professional and higher categories were revised by a 5 per cent increase and by the consolidation of one class of post adjustment into the base scales effective on 1 January 1969, and that subsequently the gross salaries were revised by the consolidation of two classes of post adjustment and by an 8 per cent increase effective on 1 July 1971,

Noting further the increases that have been made since 1 January 1968 in the salaries and allowances of the executive heads of the specialized agencies, and aware of the need to maintain an appropriate relationship between these salaries and the salary and allowances of the Secretary-General,

Recognizing that since it last considered, at its seventeenth session, the annual retirement allowance for the Secretary-General established in 1946 at one half of his net salary (excluding allowances), all retirement pensions payable by the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, including those of the executive heads of the specialized agencies, have been

¹¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7 E (A/8407/Add.5).

¹² A/8350, paras. 18 and 19.

based on gross annual salaries as a result of decisions taken by the General Assembly,

1. *Decides* that, with effect from 1 December 1971, the salary of the Secretary-General shall be \$62,500 gross (\$37,850 net) per annum;

2. *Decides further* that the provisions relating to the retirement allowance of the Secretary-General shall henceforth be as follows:

(a) On retirement on the completion of a full term of office, the annual retirement allowance of the Secretary-General shall be one half of the gross salary;

(b) In the event of the Secretary-General's retirement before the completion of the full term of his appointment, he shall be provided with a retirement allowance equal to one half of the full allowance if he has served at least one year, but less than two years; for longer periods, the retirement allowance shall increase by one eighth of the full allowance for each completed year of service beyond one year until reaching its full level on the completion of five years of service;

(c) (i) If the Secretary-General should die in office, his widow shall receive a pension equal to one half of the retirement allowance to which the Secretary-General would have been entitled had he retired on the date of his death; in no case shall the widow's pension be less than one half of the retirement allowance which would have been payable to the Secretary-General after one year of service;

(ii) If the Secretary-General should die while he is in receipt of a retirement allowance, his widow shall receive a pension equal to one half of that retirement allowance;

(iii) If the Secretary-General should die while in office or while he is in receipt of a retirement allowance, benefits equal to those provided for in the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund shall be paid to his surviving children or secondary dependants;

(iv) The conditions under which the benefits listed in (i), (ii) and (iii) above will be payable shall be consistent with those applicable to such benefits when they are paid by the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund;

(d) The provisions contained in appendix D of the Staff Rules of the United Nations shall be applicable *mutatis mutandis* in the event of death, injury or illness of the Secretary-General attributable to the performance of official duties on behalf of the United Nations.

*1997th plenary meeting,
29 November 1971.*

2797 (XXVI). Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of the Committee on Contributions

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The General Assembly

Appoints the following person as a member of the Committee on Contributions for a period beginning on 1 January 1972 and ending on 31 December 1973:
Mr. David L. Stottlemeyer.

*2015th plenary meeting,
13 December 1971.*

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The General Assembly

Appoints the following persons as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1972:

Mr. Joseph Quao Cleland,
Mr. Abdulrahim Abby Farah,
Mr. Angus J. Matheson,
Mr. David Silveira da Mota,
Miss Kathleen Whalley.

*2015th plenary meeting,
13 December 1971.*

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As a result of the above appointments, the Committee on Contributions will be composed as follows: Mr. Amjad ALI (Pakistan), Mr. Joseph Quao CLELAND (Ghana), Mr. Abdulrahim Abby FARAH (Somalia), Mr. Angus J. MATHESON (Canada), Mr. Santiago MEYER PICÓN (Mexico), Mr. Takeshi NAITO (Japan), Mr. Stanislaw RACZKOWSKI (Poland), Mr. David SILVEIRA DA MOTA (Brazil), Mr. David L. STOTTELMYER (United States of America), Mr. Maurice VIAUD (France), Miss Kathleen WHALLEY (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Mr. A. V. ZAKHAROV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics).

2798 (XXVI). Enlargement of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: amendment to rule 157 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2758 (XXVI) of 25 October 1971 on the restoration of the lawful rights of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations,

1. *Decides* to increase the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions from twelve to thirteen members;

2. *Decides* to amend, with effect from 1 January 1972, rule 157 of its rules of procedure to read as follows:

"Rule 157¹³

"The General Assembly shall appoint an Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (hereinafter called the 'Advisory Committee'), with a membership of thirteen, including at least three financial experts of recognized standing."

*2015th plenary meeting,
13 December 1971.*

2834 (XXVI). Pattern of conferences

The General Assembly,

Aware that the increasing number of conferences and meetings is one of the causes of the growth in the budget and in documentation,

1. *Takes note* of the Secretary-General's report on the pattern of conferences;¹⁴

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to present to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session the

¹³ Formerly rule 156 (see resolution 2837 (XXVI), annex I, para. 9).

¹⁴ A/8448 and Add.1.