fourth session, a Committee on Conferences, consisting of fifteen Member States;

- 2. Decides further that this Committee shall have the following functions:
- (a) To submit to the General Assembly at each regular session a calendar of meetings and conferences for the following year for the competent organs of the United Nations, including the subsidiary organs of the General Assembly;
- (b) To undertake such other tasks in this general field as may be requested by the General Assembly;
- 3. Requests the President of the General Assembly to designate the Member States, on the basis of broad equitable geographical distribution, to serve on the Committee for three years;
- 4. Requests the members of the Committee to nominate representatives with wide experience in the work of the United Nations;
 - 5. Requests the Secretary-General:
- (a) To consult with the other members of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, in accordance with the recommendation in chapter IX of the second report of the Ad Hoc Committee of Experts to Examine the Finances of the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies, and to draw up in August of each year, for submission to the General Assembly, in his capacity as Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, the provisional calendar of meetings and conferences planned by the entire United Nations family of organizations for the two following calendar years;
- (b) To prepare at the same time, in his capacity as chief administrative officer of the United Nations, a complete statement of the existing resources and of the additional resources which would be required for the proposed schedule of meetings and conferences of the Organization for the two following calendar years;
- (c) To transmit this material, together with an indication of any difficulties foreseen in reconciling the resources available and the proposed schedule, to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and to the Committee on Conferences;
- 6. Invites the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to examine, early in its autumn session, the material provided by the Secretary-General and to forward its comments to the Committee on Conferences;
- 7. Requests the Committee on Conferences to meet as necessary to perform its functions, and:
- (a) Early in the regular session of the General Assembly, to review the information submitted to it and formulate recommendations on proposals for new meetings and conferences under consideration by the Assembly, for transmission to the appropriate Main Committee;
- (b) In the course of the regular session, to examine any further proposals for new meetings and conferences and submit its recommendations to the Main Committee concerned:
- (c) In the closing stages of the regular session, and in consultation with the Chairmen of the principal organs and of the Main Committees, to draw up the calendar of United Nations meetings and conferences for the following year, with recommendations concerning the schedule for the succeeding year, and to transmit

- this calendar to the General Assembly for final approval;
- 8. Requests that the action required in sub-paragraphs 7 (b) and (c) above be taken in sufficient time to enable the Secretary-General, and in turn the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee, to recommend the inclusion of funds for carrying out the approved calendar in the regular budget estimates for the following year;
- 9. Recommends that all competent organs of the United Nations, including subsidiary organs of the General Assembly, should bear in mind that proposals involving new meetings and conferences would be subject to the recommendations of the Committee on Conferences and to final approval by the Assembly;
- 10. Invites the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the executive heads of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency to give the Committee on Conferences whatever assistance it may require in discharging its responsibilities.

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The President of the General Assembly, in pursuance of paragraph 3 of the above resolution, designated the members of the Committee on Conferences.²⁷

The Committee on Conferences will be composed of the following Member States: Algeria, Burma, Congo (Democratic Republic of), Czechoslovakia, France, India, Jamaica, Japan, New Zealand, Spain, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela and Zambia.

2240 (XXI). Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

The General Assembly Resolves that:

(a) For the year 1967, the rates of assessment for the States admitted to membership in the United Nations at the twenty-first session of the General Assembly shall be as follows:

Member State	Rate of assessment
Barbados	0.04
Botswana	0.04
Guyana	0.04
Lesotho	0.04
And for Indonesia, which resumed full participation in the Organization on	
28 September 1966	0.39

These rates shall be added to the scale of assessments for 1967 as established in General Assembly resolution 2118 (XX) of 21 December 1965;

(b) For the year 1966, Guyana, which became a Member of the United Nations on 20 September 1966, Botswana and Lesotho, which became Members on 17 October 1966, and Barbados, which became a Member on 9 December 1966, shall contribute an amount equal to one ninth of their rates of assessment for 1967, applied to the net budget for 1966;

²⁷ See A/6634.

(c) The four new Members—Barbados, Botswana, Guyana and Lesotho—and Indonesia shall make advances to the Working Capital Fund at their rates of assessment for 1967 applied to the authorized amount of the Fund for that year.

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2241 (XXI). Composition of the Secretariat

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The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the considerable changes which have occurred in the membership of the United Nations and the specialized agencies,

Recalling the provisions of Articles 100 and 101 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling further its resolution 1928 (XVIII) of 11 December 1963 on this question,

Noting that in the determination of the recruitment priorities the Secretary-General bears in mind the need for a more equitable distribution of staff among the Member States within the various regions, in particular at the levels of senior posts,

Noting with satisfaction the efforts already made by the Secretary-General to improve the geographical distribution of posts in the Secretariat and mentioned in his report on the composition of the Secretariat,²⁸

Considering nevertheless that arrangements should be made to ensure an even more equitable distribution of posts,

Recognizing the need for a large proportion of permanent contracts and fixed-term contracts of longer duration to ensure the stability and efficient operation of the Secretariat, and noting the statement of the Secretary-General in paragraph 14 of his report,

²⁸ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 81, document A/6487.

- 1. Believes that, as a temporary measure and under the existing conditions, increased recruitment on the basis of fixed-term contracts, especially in the case of developing countries, might help to achieve a balanced geographical distribution;
- 2. Invites the Secretary-General to give preference to candidates from inadequately represented countries;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to study the question of determining the desirable ranges of posts for individual countries, taking into account the level of appointment together with the number of posts;
- 4. Further invites the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, to draw the attention of the competent authorities of the specialized agencies to this problem at a forthcoming session of that Committee;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to take the present resolution into account in his future reports on the composition of the Secretariat.

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The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind rule 51 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly,

Noting the statement by the Secretary-General in paragraph 3 of his report on the composition of the Secretariat,²⁸

Recognizing the limitations in regard to the recruitment of staff which result from language considerations,

Requests the Secretary-General to study the methods which should be used to ensure a more equitable use of the working languages of the Organization and a better balance among those languages in the recruitment of staff at all levels, and in particular at the higher levels, of the Secretariat, and to include his conclusions on this question in his future reports.

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2242 (XXI). Budget for the financial year 1967

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BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1967

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1967:

1. An amount of \$US 130,314,230 is appropriated for the following purposes:

Section		(US dollars)	
	PART I. Sessions of the General Assembly, the councils, commissions and committees; special meetings and conferences	(CS uniars)	
1.	Travel and other expenses of representatives and members of commissions, committees and other subsidiary bodies	1,241,750	
2.	Special meetings and conferences	1,818,150	
	Total, part I		3,059,900
	PART II. Staff costs and related expenses		
	Salaries and wages	57,046,500 13,572,700	