

Requests the Secretary-General to intensify his efforts substantially to increase the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund directly in developing countries, on safe and profitable terms, and to report on the matter to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session.

2442nd plenary meeting
16 December 1975

3528 (XXX). Avoidance of losses on investments due to currency fluctuations

The General Assembly,

Recognizing that a sound investment policy must take account of the need to avoid losses due to currency fluctuations,

Taking into account that the Working Group on Currency Instability agreed that United Nations investments should be made in sound currencies, as stated in paragraph 50 of the report of the Working Group,⁵²

Taking into account the contents of paragraph 29 of the report of the Secretary-General on the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund,⁵³

Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that, in making the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, all possible care is taken to avoid losses due to currency fluctuations.

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3529 (XXX). Inclusion of Vienna in the pattern of conferences

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3350 (XXIX) of 18 December 1974,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General⁵⁴ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁵⁵

Reaffirming the need to ensure the most rational and economic use by the United Nations of the premises available for the accommodation of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the International Atomic Energy Agency in the Donaupark centre

⁵² A/9773.

⁵³ A/C.5/1684 and Corr.1.

⁵⁴ A/10348 and Corr.1.

⁵⁵ A/10454.

in Vienna after completion of its construction, and the best possible use of the office space provided therein by the Government of Austria,

Noting that the Government of Austria has offered to the United Nations for its use the space in the building known as Tower A-2 in the Donaupark centre which the International Atomic Energy Agency has declared its willingness to release,

Considering that the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit on the utilization of office accommodation in the United Nations system in New York and at Geneva⁵⁶ will be discussed by the General Assembly at its thirty-first session,

1. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to inform the Government of Austria that the United Nations is willing to consider its offer of the additional space referred to above;

2. *Approves* the suggestion of the Secretary-General that the accommodation of United Nations organizations or units in the Donaupark centre in Vienna would facilitate the securing of premises with regard to the future needs of various organizations and services;

3. *Expresses the opinion* that, upon completion of the Donaupark centre and in so far as full use has been made of all existing space at present headquarters, no additional office space should be acquired by the United Nations in New York or at Geneva until consideration has been given first to the use of available space in Vienna;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, after taking into account the comments and suggestions made at the thirtieth session of the General Assembly in the course of the debate on the inclusion of Vienna in the pattern of conferences, to submit to the Assembly at its thirty-first session—together with detailed information as to the administrative, operative, financial and social implications involved and after consultations with the Governments of other United Nations host countries which might be affected—a comprehensive report with regard to the optimum utilization of the office space by organizations and services of the United Nations, including those financed from extrabudgetary funds, which will enable the Assembly to reach a decision on the matter in full knowledge of the existing situation as well as the future needs and requirements of the organizations in this respect.

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⁵⁶ A/9854, A/10279, A/10280.

3531 (XXX). Programme budget for the biennium 1974-1975

A

FINAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD 1974-1975

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial period 1974-1975:

1. The amount of \$US 606,033,000, appropriated by its resolution 3359 A (XXIX) of 18 December 1974, shall be increased by \$US 6,517,000 as follows:

Section	Amount appropriated by resolution 3359 A (XXIX)	Increase or (decrease)	Revised appropriation
		(US dollars)	
PART I. Over-all policy-making, direction and co-ordination			
1. Policy-making organs (the General Assembly and its subsidiary organs)	9 030 000	(1 045 000)	7 985 000
2. Offices of the Secretary-General	7 561 000	349 000	7 910 000
TOTAL, PART I	16 591 000	(696 000)	15 895 000
PART II. Political and peace-keeping activities			
3. Policy-making organs	7 544 000	(2 092 000)	5 452 000
4. Department of Political and Security Council Affairs	6 916 000	(121 000)	6 795 000
5. Special missions	22 346 000	160 000	22 506 000
TOTAL, PART II	36 806 000	(2 053 000)	34 753 000
PART III. Economic and social activities			
6. Policy-making organs	2 788 000	34 000	2 822 000
7. Department of Economic and Social Affairs	34 998 000	(1 603 000)	33 395 000
7A. Information and Research Centre on Transnational Corporations	396 000	(308 000)	88 000
8. Economic Commission for Europe	11 250 000	1 443 300	12 693 300
9. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	12 255 000	122 000	12 377 000
10. Economic Commission for Latin America	14 069 000	(132 000)	13 937 000
11. Economic Commission for Africa	13 908 000	(79 000)	13 829 000
12. Economic Commission for Western Asia	4 134 000	690 000	4 824 000
13. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	12 418 000	556 000	12 974 000
14. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	33 114 000	894 000	34 008 000
15. United Nations Industrial Development Organization	36 792 000	511 000	37 303 000
16. United Nations Environment Programme	6 985 000	(66 000)	6 919 000
17. Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator	1 167 000	173 600	1 340 600
18. International narcotics control	3 099 000	255 800	3 354 800
19. Regular programme of technical assistance	17 966 000	(558 000)	17 408 000
TOTAL, PART III	205 339 000	1 933 700	207 272 700
PART IV. Human rights			
20. Human rights	4 814 000	388 000	5 202 000
TOTAL, PART IV	4 814 000	388 000	5 202 000
PART V. Political affairs, trusteeship and decolonization			
21. Policy-making organs	572 000	(101 000)	471 000
22. Department of Political Affairs, Trusteeship and Decolonization	3 191 000	(27 000)	3 164 000
23. United Nations Council for Namibia and United Nations Commissioner for Namibia	1 271 000	6 000	1 277 000
TOTAL, PART V	5 034 000	(122 000)	4 912 000
PART VI. International Court of Justice			
24. International Court of Justice	4 550 000	127 000	4 677 000
TOTAL, PART VI	4 550 000	127 000	4 677 000

<i>Section</i>	<i>Amount appropriated by resolution 3359 A (XXIX)</i>	<i>Increase or (decrease)</i>	<i>Revised appro- priation</i>
		<i>(US dollars)</i>	
<i>PART VII. Legal activities</i>			
25. Legal commissions, committees and conferences . . .	1 810 000	(195 000)	1 615 000
26. Office of Legal Affairs	5 517 000	(657 000)	4 860 000
TOTAL, PART VII	7 327 000	(852 000)	6 475 000
<i>PART VIII. Common services</i>			
27. Office of Public Information	25 829 000	(146 300)	25 682 700
28. Administration, management and general services . .	97 006 000	1 517 600	98 523 600
29. Department of Conference Services	71 120 000	226 500	71 346 500
30. Library services	7 806 000	(31 000)	7 775 000
TOTAL, PART VIII	201 761 000	1 566 800	203 327 800
<i>PART IX. Special expenses</i>			
31. United Nations bond issue	17 313 000	(65 500)	17 247 500
32. Miscellaneous expenses	2 596 000	2 314 000	4 910 000
TOTAL, PART IX	19 909 000	2 248 500	22 157 500
<i>PART X. Premises</i>			
33. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance of premises	21 744 000	1 220 000	22 964 000
TOTAL, PART X	21 744 000	1 220 000	22 964 000
<i>PART XI. Staff assessment</i>			
34. Staff assessment	83 751 000	(1 651 000)	82 100 000
TOTAL, PART XI	83 751 000	(1 651 000)	82 100 000
<i>PART XII. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East</i>			
35. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Pal- estine Refugees in the Near East	2 747 000	67 000	2 814 000
TOTAL, PART XII	2 747 000	67 000	2 814 000
<i>Printing:</i> deduction for internal reproduction	(4 340 000)	4 340 000	—
GRAND TOTAL	606 033 000	6 517 000	612 550 000

2. The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. The total net provision made under the various sections of the budget for contractual printing shall be administered as a unit under the direction of the United Nations Publications Board;

4. The appropriations for technical assistance programmes under section 19 shall be administered in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, except that the definition of obligations and the period of validity of obligations shall be subject to the following procedures:

(a) Obligations for personal services established in the current biennium shall be valid for the succeeding biennium, provided that appointments of the experts concerned are effected by the end of the current biennium and that the total period to be covered by obligations established for these purposes against the resources of the current biennium shall not exceed twenty-four man-months;

(b) Obligations established in the current biennium for fellowships shall remain valid until liquidated, provided that the fellow has been nominated by the requesting Government and accepted by the Organization and that a formal letter of award has been issued to the requesting Government;

(c) Obligations in respect of contracts or purchase orders for supplies or equipment recorded in the current biennium will remain valid until payment is effected to the contractor or vendor, unless they are cancelled;

5. In addition to the appropriations voted under paragraph 1 above, amounts of \$29,000 and \$19,000 are appropriated for 1974 and 1975, respectively, from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

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17 December 1975

B

FINAL INCOME ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD 1974-1975

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial period 1974-1975:

1. The estimates of income approved by its resolution 3359 B (XXIX) of 18 December 1974 shall be decreased by \$US 409,000 as follows:

	<i>Amount approved by resolution 3359 B (XXIX)</i>	<i>Increase or (decrease)</i>	<i>Revised estimates</i>
<i>Income section</i>			
<i>(US dollars)</i>			
PART I. Income from staff assessment			
1. Income from staff assessment	85 103 000	(1 651 000)	83 452 000
TOTAL, PART I	85 103 000	(1 651 000)	83 452 000
PART II. Other income			
2. General income	8 982 000	358 000	9 340 000
3. Revenue-producing activities	6 434 000	884 000	7 318 000
TOTAL, PART II	15 416 000	1 242 000	16 658 000
GRAND TOTAL	100 519 000	(409 000)	100 110 000

2. The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

3. Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.

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3532 (XXX). Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator: financing of emergency relief assistance and technical co-operation activities

The General Assembly,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of emergency relief assistance and technical co-operation activities⁵⁷ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁵⁸

1. Decides to establish, within the existing voluntary trust fund established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 3243 (XXIX) of 29 November 1974 on strengthening the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, two new subaccounts with separate target figures for the biennium 1976-1977 of:

(a) \$400,000 to augment the funds available under the regular budget for emergency assistance;

(b) \$600,000 for programme costs of technical assistance in disaster prevention and pre-disaster planning assistance to Governments;

2. Authorizes the Secretary-General, subject to the availability of voluntary funds as referred to above, to increase progressively up to a maximum of \$30,000 the amount of emergency assistance per country for any one disaster;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to report annually to the General Assembly on the status of the trust fund.

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3533 (XXX). Revised estimates for the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, in which it endorsed the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation.⁵⁹

⁵⁹ Adopted by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at its Second General Conference, held at Lima from 12 to 26 March 1975 (see A/10112, chap. IV).

⁵⁷ A/C.5/1688 and Corr.1.

⁵⁸ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 8 A (A/10008/Add.1-28), document A/10008/Add.5.