

1582 (XV). Schedule of post adjustments: classification for United Nations Headquarters and the European Office of the United Nations, Geneva

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1095 (XI) of 27 February 1957 relating to the United Nations salary, allowance and benefits system,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General³⁷ and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions³⁸ on the question of the classification of United Nations Headquarters and the European Office of the United Nations, Geneva, in the schedule of post adjustments established under that resolution,

Decides that:

1. With effect from 1 January 1960, the post adjustment for United Nations Headquarters in New York shall be class 7 within the established system;
2. With effect from 1 May 1960, the post adjustment for the European Office of the United Nations, Geneva, shall be class 3 within the established system;
3. The basis for measuring future changes in post adjustments for New York and Geneva shall be the basis recommended by the Expert Committee on Post Adjustments³⁹ and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

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1583 (XV). Supplementary estimates for the financial year 1960: United Nations operations in the Congo

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Security Council resolutions of 14 July 1960,⁴⁰ 22 July 1960⁴¹ and 9 August 1960,⁴² and General Assembly resolution 1474 (ES-IV) of 20 September 1960,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the estimated cost of the United Nations operations in the Congo from 14 July to 31 December 1960⁴³ and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon,⁴⁴

Recognizing that the expenses involved in the United Nations operations in the Congo for 1960 constitute "expenses of the Organization" within the meaning of

³⁷ *Ibid.*, agenda item 49, document A/C.5/816.

³⁸ *Ibid.*, document A/4507.

³⁹ *Ibid.*, document A/C.5/816, annex I.

⁴⁰ *Official Records of the Security Council, Fifteenth Year, Supplement for July, August and September, 1960*, document S/4387.

⁴¹ *Ibid.*, document S/4405.

⁴² *Ibid.*, document S/4426.

⁴³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 49, document A/C.5/836.

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, document A/4580.

Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations and that the assessment thereof against Member States creates binding legal obligations on such States to pay their assessed shares,

Recognizing that, in addition to the expenses for the regular and continuing activities of the Organization, the extraordinary expenses arising from the United Nations operations in the Congo will place a severe strain on the limited financial resources of a number of Member States,

Noting with appreciation the willingness of certain Members not to request reimbursement for the cost of air-transport facilities they have provided to move troops and supplies to the Congo,

Noting also with appreciation that additional financial assistance in a substantial amount has already been pledged voluntarily and will enable a reduction to be made in the level of assessment of those Members having the least capacity to pay,

1. Decides to establish an *ad hoc* account for the expenses of the United Nations in the Congo;

2. Approves the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in paragraph 18 of its report;

3. Notes that the waiver of airlift costs announced by certain Governments will reduce the level of expenses from the amount of \$60 million recommended by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the amount of \$48.5 million;

4. Decides that the amount of \$48.5 million shall be apportioned among the Member States on the basis of the regular scale of assessment, subject to the provisions of paragraph 5 below;

5. Decides further that the voluntary contributions already announced, in addition to those referred to in paragraph 3 above, shall be applied, at the request of the Member State concerned made prior to 31 March 1961, to reduce by up to 50 per cent:

(a) The assessment that the Member States which were admitted during the fifteenth session of the General Assembly are required to pay for the financial year 1960 in accordance with Assembly resolution 1552 (XV) of 18 December 1960;

(b) The assessment of all other Member States receiving assistance during 1960 under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, commencing with those States assessed at the minimum of 0.04 per cent and then including, in order, those States assessed at the next highest percentages until the total amount of the voluntary contributions has been fully applied;

6. Calls upon the former administering Power of the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville) to make a substantial contribution, such a contribution to be applied to reduce further proportionally the assessment of Member States affected by the provisions of paragraph 5 (a) and (b) above.

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