

QUESTION OF CONTINUING THROUGH 1949 THE UNITED NATIONS APPEAL FOR CHILDREN

Communication from the Chairman of the Executive Board
of the International Children's Emergency FundNote by the Secretary-General:

The Secretary-General has the honour to communicate to the General Assembly the text of a letter, dated 7 December 1948, addressed to him by the Chairman of the Executive Board of the International Children's Emergency Fund.

Paris, 7 December 1948

I understand that some question has arisen with regard to the policy of the Fund in connection with the proceeds of the United Nations Appeal for Children, for which it will be responsible under the recent action taken by the Third Committee, if approved by the General Assembly. In particular, I understand this question to involve the possibility of the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund making available funds to other United Nations agencies in the child care field. You will readily understand that any decision as to the use of these proceeds must be made by the Executive Board of the Children's Fund and that I can only advise you of the policies which have been established.

No doubt, you will be aware of joint arrangements which have been made, for example, with the World Health Organization for carrying out projects of mutual concern, and that we have less formal but close and co-operative relationships with the Food and Agriculture Organization and other United Nations agencies. We anticipate such relationships will continue and in fact grow stronger so that in the future we may work even more effectively together in the interests of the children whom we are seeking to assist. In this connection, if any United Nations agency works out with the Children's Fund, or presents to it, projects which are within the terms of reference of this Organization and for which UNAC funds might be required, I would recommend to the Executive Board that it sympathetically consider making funds available for the carrying out of any such joint project by the United Nations agency and the Fund, as indeed has been done in the case, for example, of certain medical programmes on the Far East with the World Health Organization.

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