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President: Mr. Daniel COSÍO VILLEGAS (Mexico)

## Present :

The representatives of the following countries: Afghanistan, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Finland, France, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Pakistan, Poland, Spain, Sudan, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela.

Observers from the following countries: Argentina, Brazil, Denmark, India, Japan, Norway, Uruguay, Yugoslavia.

The representatives of the following specialized agencies: International Labour Organisation, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Health Organization.

# Inclusion of additional items in the agenda (E/3310, E/L.846 and Add.1)

1. The PRESIDENT drew the Council's attention to the note by the Secretary-General concerning the agenda of the resumed twenty-eighth session (E/L.846 and Add.1) and to a letter from the Permanent Representative of Mexico requesting the inclusion of an additional item (E/3310). He proposed that the additional items shown in those documents should be included in the agenda.

It was so decided.

## Order of consideration of agenda items (E/L.846 and Add.1)

2. The PRESIDENT proposed that the Council should consider the items on its agenda (E/L.846 and Add.1) in the following order: item 23 (Report of the Technical Assistance Committee under Council resolution 735 (XXVIII) on country programming procedures); item 24 (Request by the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for consideration of its reports at summer sessions of the Economic and Social Council); item 20 (Confirmation of members of functional commissions of the Council); item 21 (Elections); item 25 (Organization and operation of the Council); and item 22 (Work of the Council in 1960).

It was so decided.

## AGENDA ITEM 23

Report of the Technical Assistance Committee under Council resolution 735 (XXVIII) on country programming procedures (E/3312, para. 53)

3. The PRESIDENT proposed that the Council should approve the suggestions in paragraph 53 of the Technical Assistance Committee's report (E/3312) concerning the two-year programming procedure.

It was so decided.

## AGENDA ITEM 24

Request of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for consideration of its reports at summer sessions of the Economic and Social Council (E/3307)

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Ryan, Chairman of the Executive Board of UNICEF, took a place at the Council table.

4. Mr. RYAN (Chairman of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund) recalled that at

its September 1959 session the Executive Board of UNICEF had decided to hold one main session a year instead of two.<sup>1</sup> The Executive Board would prefer to hold its session in June, but it had not wished to take a final decision until it was sure that the Economic and Social Council would consider the report of UNICEF at its summer session. Meanwhile, the main 1960 session had been scheduled for March.

5. Subsequent informal consultation of members of the Economic and Social Council who were also members of the Executive Board of UNICEF had indicated that, from the Council's point of view, it was preferable for the UNICEF activities to appear on the agenda of the spring session.

6. In order to reconcile the preferences of the members of the Economic and Social Council with those of the members of the Executive Board of UNICEF, it was proposed that the Economic and Social Council should have before it, at its spring session, the Executive Board's report on the session held during the preceding month of June (or the preceding month of March, in the case of 1960) and a brief annual report on the activities of UNICEF during the preceding calendar year. The latter report would indicate the allocations approved by the Executive Board during the second half of the year, the principal new developments affecting the programme which had occurred during the course of the year and the financial position of UNICEF at the end of the year. The Council would thus have, at its spring session, an up-to-date report on the activities of UNICEF during the preceding calendar year, which would include a summary of the matters with which it was most concerned and references to any sources of detailed information. Members of the Council would receive the documents six weeks in advance, as required by the rules of procedure.

7. If that procedure was adopted, it would also enable the Executive Board of UNICEF to meet at the time which was most convenient for the majority of its members.

8. In reply to questions form Mr. ARKADEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Mr. SHANAHAN (New Zealand), Mr. MICHALOWSKI (Poland), and Mr. PHILLIPS (United States of America), Mr. RYAN (Chairman of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund) explained that the Executive Board's proposal which he had just conveyed superseded the one in its earlier statement (E/3307). It was designed to ensure that the Economic and Social Council should have before it, at its spring session, a report covering the most recent events. It should further be noted that, if the procedure just summarized was approved, the UNICEF report considered by the Council at its spring session in 1960 would cover the period from September 1959 to March 1960. In subsequent years, the Council would have before it at its spring session a report on the activities of UNICEF in the preceding calendar year.

9. The PRESIDENT proposed that the Council should approve the suggestion of the Executive Board of UNICEF.

It was so decided. Mr. Ryan withdrew.

#### AGENDA ITEM 20

## Confirmation of members of functional commissions of the Council (E/3309 and Add.1)

10. The PRESIDENT drew the Council's attention to the names of the persons nominated by Governments to represent them on the functional commissions of the Council (E/3309 and Add.1).

#### STATISTICAL COMMISSION

The nominations of Mr. Carver (Australia), Mr. Mahalanobis (India) and Mr. Baker (New Zealand) were confirmed unanimously.

#### POPULATION COMMISSION

11. Mr. ARKADEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) requested a separate vote on the nomination of Mr. Tsao (China).

The nomination of Mr. Tsao (China) was confirmed by 13 votes to 3, with 2 abstentions.

The nominations of Mr. Molinari (Italy) and Mr. Bjerve (Norway) were confirmed unanimously.

## SOCIAL COMMISSION

12. Mr. ARKADEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) announced that, owing to administrative changes, Mrs. Mironova, and not Mr. Ivanov, was nominated to represent the Government of the Soviet Union on the Social Commission.

13. Mr. DUDLEY (United Kingdom) inquired whether the Secretary-General had been informed of that change. If that was not the case, it would be difficult for the Council to take an immediate decision on that nomination.

14. The PRESIDENT said that, as the Secretariat appeared not to have been officially advised on the matter, it would undoubtedly be better to postpone confirmation of the nomination until the next meeting.

It was so decided.

15. The PRESIDENT proposed that the Council should confirm the nominations of the other members of the Social Commission.

The nominations of Mr. Wryell (Australia), Mr. Araújo (Colombia), Mr. Correa (Ecuador), Mr. Waris (Finland), Mr. Abdel-Ghani (United Arab Republic) and Mrs. Tomsić (Yugoslavia) were confirmed unanimously.

#### COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The nominations of Mr. Amadeo (Argentina), Mr. Ermacora (Austria), Mr. Madsen (Denmark), Prince

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twentyninth Session, Supplement No. 2, paras. 205-208.

Aly Khan (Pakistan), Mrs. Lord (United States of America) and Mr. Sosa Rodríguez (Venezuela) were confirmed unanimously.

#### COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

The nominations of Mrs. Sipilä (Finland), Miss Lavalle Urbina (Mexico) and Mrs. Dembiska (Poland) were confirmed unanimously.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 21**

#### Elections (E/3308 and Add.1-2, E/L.847-848)

#### ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE SPECIAL FUND (E/L.847-848)

16. The PRESIDENT invited the Council to proceed to the election of members of the Governing Council of the Special Fund, taking into account the provisions of General Assembly resolution 1240 (XIII), part B, paragraphs 13 to 15. He proposed that the Council should first elect the three members, chosen from among the economically more developed countries, to replace those whose terms were about to expire. The Council would then elect the three members to be chosen from among the less developed countries to replace the retiring members. It would then elect a new member from among the more developed countries to replace Denmark, which had resigned its seat on the Governing Council of the Special Fund as from 1 January 1960, or one year before the expiry of its term (E/L.847).

It was so decided.

17. The PRESIDENT pointed out that Sweden had expressed a desire (E/L.848) to be elected to the seat left vacant by Denmark and that Canada, Yugoslavia and Pakistan had expressed their desire to be re-elected to the Governing Council.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Marandet (France) and Mr. Ahmad (Pakistan) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

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Having obtained the required majority, Canada, Japan and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics were elected members of the Governing Council of the Special Fund representing the economically developed countries.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	18
Invalid ballots :	0

Number of valid ballots:	18
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	18
Required majority :	10
Number of votes obtained:	
Yugoslavia	15
Pakistan	14
Thailand	12
Guatemala	8
Greece	3
Peru	1
Sweden	1

Having obtained the required majority, Pakistan, Thailand and Yugoslavia were elected members of the Governing Council of the Special Fund representing the less developed countries.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers :	18
Invalid ballots :	0
Number of valid ballots:	18
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting :	18
Required majority :	10
Number of votes obtained:	
Sweden	17
Finland	1

Having obtained the required majority, Sweden was elected to the seat left vacant by Denmark, for the remainder of Denmark's term.

# ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE TECHNICAL Assistance Committee

18. The PRESIDENT invited the Council to proceed to the election of three members of the Technical Assistance Committee, in conformity with Economic and Social Council resolution 647 (XXIII). Those members would be elected for a period of two years beginning on 1 January 1960. He pointed out that Indonesia had informed the Secretary-General of its wish to be elected a member of the Committee.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Marandet (France) and Mr. Ahmad (Pakistan) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers :	18
Invalid ballots:	0.
Number of valid ballots:	18
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	18
Required majority :	10
Number of votes obtained:	
Haiti	17
Norway	17

Indonesia	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	9
Israel	•	•						•									•		•			•							9

Indonesia and Israel having obtained an equal number of votes, a second ballot was taken, in accordance with rule 69 of the Council's rules of procedure, Indonesia and Israel being the only candidates.

Number of ballot papers:	18
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots :	18
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	18
Required majority:	10
Number of votes obtained:	
Indonesia	9
Israel	9

The second ballot having been inconclusive, a third ballot was taken, in accordance with rule 69 of the Council's rules of procedure, Indonesia and Israel being the only candidates.

Number of ballot papers:	18	
Invalid ballots:	0	
Number of valid ballots:	18	
Abstentions :	0	
Number of members voting:	18	
Required majority:	10	
Number of votes obtained:		
Israel	10	
Indonesia	8	

Having obtained the required majority, Haiti, Israel and Norway were elected members of the Technical Assistance Committee.

#### ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

19. The PRESIDENT invited the Council to proceed to the election of the seven members of the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, in accordance with rule 82 of the Council's rules of procedure.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Marandet (France) and Mr. Ahmad (Pakistan) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers :	18
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	18
Abstentions :	0
Number of members voting :	18
Required majority :	10

Number of votes obtained:

New Zealand	17
United Kingdom of Great Britain and	
Northern Ireland	16
United States of America	16
France	15
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	15
Costa Rica	14
China	13
Brazil	3
Denmark	2
Japan	1
Pakistan	1
Venezuela	1

Having obtained the required majority, China, Costa Rica, France, New Zealand, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America were elected members of the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for 1960.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS OF THE SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES (E/3308 AND ADD.1-2)

20. The PRESIDENT proposed that the Council should elect two new members of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, in conformity with its resolution 728 E (XXVIII) of 30 July 1959 approving the decision of the Commission on Human Rights to increase the number of members of the Sub-Commission from twelve to fourteen.

21. He drew the attention of the Council to the addenda to the note by the Secretary-General (E/3308/Add.1 and 2), which contained biographical sketches of the two candidates.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Marandet (France) and Mr. Ahmad (Pakistan) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	18
Invalid ballots :	0
Number of valid ballots:	18
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting :	18
Required majority:	10
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Mohamed Abu Rannat (Sudan)	18
Mr. Enrique Rodríguez Fabregat (Uruguay)	15

Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Abu Rannat (Sudan) and Mr. Rodríguez Fabregat (Uruguay) were elected members of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities.

The meeting rose at 12.50 p.m.