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AUDIT REPORTS RELATING TO EXPENDITURE BY SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND
THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

EARMARKINGS AND CONTINGENCY AUTHORIZATIONS FROM THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT
OF THE EXPANDED PROGRAMME OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Audit reports for the year ended 31 December 1965 relating
to expenditure by specialized agencies and the International
Atomic Energy Agency of technical assistance funds earmarked
from the Special Account

Twenty-eighth report of the Advisory Committee on
Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the
General Assembly at its twenty-first session

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered a note by the Secretary-General^{1/} submitting, in accordance with paragraph 7 of General Assembly resolution 519 A (VI), the audit reports for the year ended 31 December 1965 relating to expenditure by specialized agencies^{2/} and the International Atomic Energy Agency of technical assistance funds earmarked from the Special Account of the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance.
2. The audited financial statements of the United Nations as a participating organization in the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance are presented in the financial reports and accounts for the year ended 31 December 1965. Also

^{1/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Annexes, addendum 1 to item 78, document A/6511, p. 2.

^{2/} The International Labour Organisation, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, International Civil Aviation Organization, International Telecommunication Union, World Health Organization, World Meteorological Organization, Universal Postal Union and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization.

included in the same document are financial statements in respect of the secretariat of the Technical Assistance Board and a statement showing the status of funds of the Special Account for the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance as at 31 December 1965.^{3/} The relevant comments of the Advisory Committee on the financial reports and the accounts for the United Nations are to be found in the Committee's first report to the General Assembly at its twenty-first session (A/6376).

3. The combined statement reproduced as annex 1 of the note by the Secretary-General^{4/} shows that the total funds earmarked during the year under review from the Special Account to the eleven organizations participating in the Expanded Programme (including the United Nations) amounted to \$54,092,595. Obligations were incurred during 1965 totalling \$48,763,764, including \$42,482,291 for project costs and \$6,281,473 for administrative and operational service costs. The unencumbered balance of earmarkings as at 31 December 1965 thus amounted to \$5,328,831, which, together with savings and miscellaneous income of \$665,386, resulted in a total balance as at 31 December 1965 of \$5,994,217.

4. The Advisory Committee has studied the reports submitted by the external auditors on the status of funds of the participating agencies. It has noted that audit certificates without specific observations have been issued for all the agencies. The Committee has taken note of the comments by the auditors related to the accounting practices of one of the agencies whereby balances of trust funds are included under the "accounts payable and other credit balances" although these balances "have no organic connexion with the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance".

^{3/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/6306), statements IV, VI and VII.

^{4/} Ibid., Annexes, addendum 1 to agenda item 78, document A/6511, pp. 5 and 6.