

and 735 (XXVIII) of 30 July 1959, on the planning and approval of country programmes,

Reaffirming its belief that countries receiving aid should have free choice of carefully considered programmes and projects, including the means for implementing such programmes and projects,

Reaffirming also that participating organizations should continue to advise and assist the recipient Governments in the planning and in the implementation of programmes and projects, and to review the technical aspects of the programmes and projects for which they assume responsibility,

Believing that simplification in procedures of country programming is essential,

Considering that such simplification can be promoted by eliminating agency sub-totals from country targets and by eliminating the present system of planning shares of the participating organizations,

1. *Approves* in principle the system of project programming recommended by the Technical Assistance Board;²⁹

2. *Requests* the Technical Assistance Board to submit to the Technical Assistance Committee at its 1961 summer session specific recommendations for simplification and improvements on the above lines, in particular, by project programming, the elimination of agency sub-totals from country targets and the elimination of the present system of agency planning shares.

*1132nd plenary meeting,
3 August 1960.*

787 (XXX). Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance: local cost arrangements

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 470 (XV) of 15 April 1953 on the method of obtaining payment towards the living costs of experts under the Expanded Programme,

Having reviewed the interim arrangements for assessing local costs of obligations adopted for the year 1960, and set forth in its resolution 736 (XXVIII) of 30 July 1959,

Noting the proposals of the Technical Assistance Board,³⁰ made in response to resolution 736 (XXVIII), for a further revision of the arrangements for assessment aimed at securing a more equitable distribution among Governments of local cost obligations,

Believing that a simplification and improvement of the present temporary arrangements will best be obtained if all Governments are assessed in any one year on the basis of the same percentage of the total cost of experts' services provided to them under the Expanded Programme,

1. *Decides* that for the year 1961 and subsequent years:

(a) The contribution of each Government towards the local costs of expert services shall be computed on the basis of a percentage of the total cost of expert

services provided to that Government by the participating organizations under the Expanded Programme;

(b) The assessment of each Government shall be at the rate of 12.5 per cent, subject to the provisions of paragraph 5 of this resolution;

(c) The assessment of each Government shall be made, before the beginning of each year, by applying the percentage figure referred to in sub-paragraph (b) above, to the approved Programme for that year; Governments shall make payments in advance as assessed, and the accounts shall be adjusted after the end of the year, on the basis of the total cost of experts' services actually provided during the year;

2. *Decides* that the arrangements thus approved shall be made fully effective for all countries from 1 January 1963 and that for the interim period 1961 and 1962 the arrangements shall apply as follows:

(a) In 1961 the amount of the local cost obligations of any Government shall not increase or decrease by more than U.S. \$5,000 compared to the amount that the Government would have been charged for local costs under the scheme in force in 1960;

(b) In 1962 the amount of the local cost obligations of any Government shall not increase or decrease by more than U.S. \$20,000 compared to the amount that the Government would have been charged for local costs under the scheme in force in 1960;

(c) Governments of recipient countries where there was not a programme in 1960 shall be assessed in 1961 and subsequent years at the rate of 12.5 per cent provided for in paragraph 1 (b) above;

3. *Decides* that for the purposes of this resolution the equivalent in local currency shall be calculated at the Technical Assistance Board operating rate of exchange;

4. *Decides* that the assessment arrangements now approved shall be applied to regional projects, where the shares of each recipient Government under such a project can be clearly identified, and where the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board has reached an appropriate agreement with the Government concerned;

5. *Requests* the Technical Assistance Board to keep under review the rate of assessment of 12.5 per cent and to make a recommendation to the Technical Assistance Committee regarding a new rate if and when any change appears to be required;

6. *Decides* that the arrangements governing the provision of, and accounting for, lodging provided in kind shall be removed from the context of the local cost scheme now approved.

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3 August 1960.*

788 (XXX). Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance: increase in the level of contingency authorizations for 1960

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing that there is a need for increasing assistance under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance without delay to the countries which have

²⁹ E/TAC/97.

³⁰ E/TAC/98.

recently achieved independence, or which are expected to become independent in the near future, without affecting the activities of the Programme in other countries,

Having examined the statement of the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board³¹ and his suggestion to increase to 7.5 per cent of the estimated resources the total amount which may be authorized for meeting urgent needs in 1960,

Recalling its resolution 623 B II (XXII) of 9 August 1956, under which the Executive Chairman may authorize participating organizations to enter into commitments to meet urgent needs within limits fixed annually by the Technical Assistance Committee, but not to exceed 5 per cent of the estimated resources for the year,

Decides, without affecting the activities of the Programme in other countries, to increase by not more than 2.5 per cent of the estimated resources the limit of authorization for urgent needs in 1960, mainly to provide additional assistance to newly independent countries and to countries expected to become independent in 1960 and 1961.

*1132nd plenary meeting,
3 August 1960.*

789 (XXX). Report by the Secretary-General on the United Nations programmes of technical assistance

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the report by the Secretary-General on the United Nations programmes of technical assistance.³²

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3 August 1960.*

³¹ E/TAC/L.210.

³² *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirtieth Session, Annexes, agenda item 6, document E/3366.*

790 (XXX). Technical assistance in public administration: provision of operational, executive and administrative personnel

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 1256 (XIII) of 14 November 1958 and 1385 (XIV) of 20 November 1959,

Taking note of the report by the Secretary-General on the provision of operational, executive and administrative personnel,³³

Considering that the experimental programme for the provision of operational, executive and administrative personnel has proved its usefulness,

Considering further that the demand for such personnel is considerably increasing and their provision is urgently needed, particularly to meet the requests of newly independent countries,

Recommends to the General Assembly :

(a) That the provision of operational, executive and administrative personnel be placed on a continuing basis;

(b) That the Secretary-General continue to consult with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency whenever requests fall within their competence;

(c) That the financial resources for this activity be established at a level appropriate to the needs for this assistance.

*1132nd plenary meeting,
3 August 1960.*

³³ *Ibid.*, document E/3370.

SOCIAL QUESTIONS

769 (XXX). Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees with the annexed report of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme on its third session,³⁴

Takes note of the report prepared by the High Commissioner for transmission to the General Assembly at its fifteenth session.

*1128th plenary meeting,
25 July 1960.*

³⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/4378), and appendix.*

770 (XXX). International control of narcotic drugs

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (fifteenth session).³⁵

*1129th plenary meeting,
25 July 1960.*

³⁵ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/3385).*