

## QUESTIONS RELATING TO TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

### 1250 (XLIII). Programming Procedures for the Technical Assistance component of the United Nations Development Programme

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling its resolution 222 (IX) of 14 and 15 August 1949 on the establishment of the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance and General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX) of 22 November 1965 on the consolidation of the Special Fund and the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance in a United Nations Development Programme,

Reaffirming the guiding principles governing the provision of technical assistance to recipient governments as set forth in its resolution 222 (IX),

Recalling that, under General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX), the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme is entrusted *inter alia* with the functions previously exercised by the Technical Assistance Committee including the consideration and approval of projects and programmes and the allocation of funds,

Having considered the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its fourth session and in particular its decisions on the programming procedures for the Technical Assistance component of the United Nations Development Programme for 1969 and subsequent years,<sup>30</sup>

Recalling also that under its resolution 1059 (XXXIX) of 13 July 1965 the two-year programming procedures were extended through the 1967-1968 biennium without prejudice to any action in this regard which might subsequently be taken by the governing organs of the Programme,

Believing that project budgeting with continuous programming should facilitate effective planning and implementation of technical assistance projects while providing added flexibility in operations,

1. *Decides* that, as regards the preparation, approval and implementation of the projects of the Technical Assistance component of the United Nations Development Programme for 1969 and the following years, the programming procedures recommended by the Governing Council and reproduced in the annex to this resolution should supersede the present programming procedures established in terms of the relevant provisions of its resolution 542 B II (XVIII) of 29 July 1954 as amended by its resolutions 785 (XXX) and 786 (XXX) of 3 August 1960 and 854 (XXXII) of 4 August 1961 as well as those of General Assembly resolution 831 B (IX) of 26 November 1954;

2. *Notes further* that the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme is to adopt the financial arrangements required to put into effect the new project budgeting procedures, including those relat-

ing to local cost assessment and the allocation of funds to the participating and executing agencies for overheads;

3. *Recommends* the adoption by the General Assembly of the following draft resolution:

*" The General Assembly,*

*" Having considered* the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme and Economic and Social Council resolution 1250 (XLIII) of 26 July 1967 on the programming procedures for the Technical Assistance component of the United Nations Development Programme,

*" Recalling* its resolution 831 B (IX) of 26 November 1954 dealing with country programming procedures of the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance and 2029 (XX) of 22 November 1965 on the consolidation of the Special Fund and the Expanded Programme in a United Nations Development Programme,

*" 1. Approves* the procedures recommended by the Governing Council for the preparation, approval and implementation of the projects of the Technical Assistance component of the United Nations Development Programme for 1969 and future years."

*1497th plenary meeting,  
26 July 1967.*

### ANNEX

Having considered the recommendations of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the Governing Council adopts the following procedures for the planning, approval and implementation of the projects of the Technical Assistance component of the United Nations Development Programme beginning with the year 1969:

The Governing Council:

1. Shall review and approve each year the proposals made by the Administrator, after consultation with the Inter-Agency Consultative Board of estimates of resources for the following year and the distribution of resources as among

(a) Individual country targets which will apply to that year and provisionally to the three ensuing years;

(b) Regional project targets of each participating and executing agency for the same years;

(c) The amounts required for the overheads of the agencies and the United Nations Development Programme secretariat;

(d) A planning reserve; and

(e) The reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for contingency allocations made by the Administrator in the previous year, within the limits of a global amount set by the Governing Council;

2. Authorizes the Administrator to review and approve projects submitted by recipient governments within the limits of their country targets, reporting to the Governing Council at each session on the programmes thus established;

3. Shall review and approve regional and inter-regional projects proposed by the participating and executing agencies, including projects requiring inter-agency transfers of regional project targets, and recommended by the Administrator after consultation with the Inter-Agency Consultative Board;

<sup>30</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 6A (E/4398).*

4. Shall authorize each year earmarkings for that year in amounts corresponding to:

(a) The global amount of the approved country targets as adjusted through the use of the planning reserve;

(b) The global amount for regional and inter-regional projects;

(c) Lump-sum amount towards the overhead costs of the participating and executing agencies; and

(d) The technical assistance share of the United Nations Development Programme administrative budget;

5. Authorizes the Administrator to convey to the participating and executing agencies, after approval of the projects, financial authorizations as "allocations" within the limits of the Governing Council's earmarkings for the current year and the country targets or regional project targets for the ensuing years;

6. Decides that:

(a) Savings on projects accruing during the course of the operational year and unobligated balances of approved projects at year end will remain available to the individual country for country projects or agency for regional projects for re-programming, and

(b) That portion of a country or agency regional project target which remains unprogrammed at year end may be carried forward, subject to a maximum of 50 per cent of the original target, for use in the following year;

7. Authorizes the Administrator to develop the detailed practical arrangements required for the planning, approval and implementation of the Technical Assistance projects, taking into account the proposals<sup>a</sup> he had made, including those relating to project submission, programme changes and contingency authorizations.

8. Shall review from time to time the above procedures in the light of experience and provide guidance and directives to the Administrator concerning the methods and criteria to be observed for the consideration of the technical assistance requests and the implementation of projects.

<sup>a</sup>) DP/TA/L.10/Add.1.

#### **1251 (XLIII). United Nations programmes of technical co-operation**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its fourth session, including those parts of the report dealing with United Nations programmes of technical co-operation,<sup>31</sup>

*Noting* that the Governing Council has approved the 1968 regular programme contained in the Secretary-General's report<sup>32</sup> and recommended \$6.4 million as the desirable level for part V of the United Nations budget for 1968,

*Noting further* that the Governing Council will consider at its fifth session a study on the appropriate level for planning purposes for 1969 and future years on the basis of a report to be prepared by the Secretary-General,

1. *Endorses* the actions of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme noted above;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly take the budgetary action necessary for 1968.

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26 July 1967.*

<sup>31</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 6A (E/4398), chap. VI.*

<sup>32</sup> DP/RP/3/Add.2.

#### **1252 (XLIII). Reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme**

*The Economic and Social Council*

*Takes note* of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme (third and fourth sessions).<sup>33</sup>

*1497th plenary meeting,  
26 July 1967.*

#### **1255 (XLIII). Review of the World Food Programme**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the fifth annual report of the United Nations/FAO Intergovernmental Committee of the World Food Programme<sup>34</sup> and the report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme<sup>35</sup> transmitted by the Committee,

*Noting* the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Committee concerning the target for voluntary contributions for the period 1969-1970,

*Recalling* that the potentialities of the World Food Programme were recognized by the General Assembly in its resolution 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965 and by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in its resolution 4/65,

1. *Appeals* to States Members of the United Nations and members and associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to undertake the necessary preparations for the announcement of pledges at the Third Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme;

2. *Recommends* that, in any consideration of a possible increase in the level of international food aid, due account be taken of the part which could be played by the World Food Programme;

3. *Submits* for consideration and adoption by the General Assembly the following draft resolution:

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Recalling* the provisions of its resolution 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965 that the World Food Programme is to be reviewed before each pledging conference and that, subject to the review so provided for, the next pledging conference should be convened in 1967, at which time Governments would be invited to pledge contributions for 1969 and 1970, with a view to reaching such target as may be recommended by the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization,

*"Noting* that review of the Programme was undertaken by the United Nations/FAO Intergovernmental Committee of the World Food Programme at its eleventh session and by the Economic and Social Council at its forty-third session,

<sup>33</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-third Session, Supplements Nos. 6 and 6A (E/4297 and E/4398).*

<sup>34</sup> *Ibid.*, *Forty-third Session, Annexes*, agenda item 13, document E/4378.

<sup>35</sup> *Ibid.*, document E/4332.