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REPORT OF THE NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE FOR EXTRA-BUDGETARY FUNDS

Draft Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Jaime de PINIES (Spain)

1. At the 638th meeting, the Fifth Committee considered the report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds (A/3668 and Addendum 1), which was introduced by its Chairman, Mr. A. Penteado (Brazil).
2. Support was given to the recommendation of the Negotiating Committee, contained in paragraph 8 of document A/3668/Add.1, that the new procedures for pledging contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and to the United Nations Refugee Fund which were introduced at the twelfth session of the General Assembly should be repeated at the thirteenth session. Delegations taking part in the discussion also believed that the Negotiating Committee should be re-appointed to serve until the close of the thirteenth session.
3. The Committee approved the following draft resolution A by 50 votes to none with 8 abstentions, and the following draft resolution B by 50 votes to none with 8 abstentions, and accordingly recommends their adoption to the General Assembly.

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A

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds appointed at the eleventh session of the General Assembly,

Recognizing the importance of determining the financial resources for activities and programmes to be financed by voluntary contributions before the reports on such activities and programmes are considered and acted upon by the General Assembly,

Decides

1. to convene, during the thirteenth session of the General Assembly, an Ad Hoc Committee of the whole Assembly, under the chairmanship of the President of the session, where pledges of voluntary contributions for the two refugee programmes for the following financial year would be announced, with separate meetings dedicated to each programme;
2. That States not members of the United Nations, but members of one or more of the specialized agencies, shall be invited to attend meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee for the purpose of announcing their pledges to the two refugee programmes;
3. That, in order to ensure maximum attendance at the meetings, as great advance publicity as possible be given to the meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee and the meetings be so scheduled that no other meetings are held at the same time.

B

The General Assembly,

1. Requests the President of the General Assembly to appoint a Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds consisting of not more than ten members, with the same terms of reference as those laid down in General Assembly resolution 693 (VII) of 25 October 1952, to serve from the close of the twelfth session to the close of the thirteenth session of the Assembly,
2. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of the thirteenth session of the General Assembly the item entitled "Report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds."
