

Third session

QUESTION OF CONTINUING THROUGH 1949 THE UNITED NATIONS APPEAL
FOR CHILDRENReport of the Third Committee

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1. The Economic and Social Council, during its seventh session, examined the question of the continuation of a United Nations Appeal for Children, and adopted a resolution on that subject (resolution 162 (VII) of 12 August 1948).
2. On the request of the delegation of Australia an item was placed on the agenda of the General Assembly with a view to a reconsideration of that resolution and to extending during 1949 the United Nations Appeal for Children (A/637). This item was referred by the Assembly to the Third Committee.
3. The Third Committee considered the matter at its 170th, to 172nd meetings, held on 2 and 3 December 1948.
4. At its 172nd meeting, on 3 December 1948, the Third Committee acted on the various draft resolutions and amendments presented by the representatives of Argentina, Canada, Dominican Republic, Iraq, Pakistan, United States of America, Uruguay, Chile, Norway, Netherlands, New Zealand and Australia (A/C.3/369, A/C.3/394, A/C.3/390, A/C.3/395, A/C.3/396, A/C.3/393 and A/C.3/388/Rev.1).
5. The following draft resolution was adopted by the Third Committee: by 29 votes, with 6 abstentions, and its adoption is consequently recommended to the General Assembly:

EXTENSION DURING 1949 OF THE UNITED NATIONS APPEAL FOR CHILDREN
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

NOTING the widespread response to the United Nations Appeal for Children, the large number of countries which have co-operated in the conduct of national campaigns, and the co-operation and support for the Appeal provided by non-governmental organizations,

RECOGNIZING that the aftermath of devastation and dislocation resulting from war has revealed specific needs of children in many

countries and that a moral responsibility falls on the peoples of all countries to act for the greater well-being of children throughout the world,

NOTING, with approval, the provisions of resolution 162 (VII) adopted by the Economic and Social Council on 12 August 1948,

1. CONTINUES the United Nations Appeal for Children as a world-wide appeal for voluntary non-governmental contributions to be used for the benefit of children, adolescents, and expectant and nursing mothers without discrimination on account of race, religion, nationality, or political belief;

2. INVITES the co-operation of peoples of all countries to assist and support national activities in favour of the Appeal;

3. DECIDES that the proceeds of the collections in each country shall be for the benefit of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, and that the name United Nations Appeal for Children shall be used only in national campaigns which are conducted for this purpose, subject to the provisions of resolution 92 (I) of the General Assembly governing the use of the United Nations name and abbreviations of that name;

4. REQUESTS the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, as the United Nations agency entrusted with special responsibility for meeting emergency needs of children in many parts of the world:

(a) To assist in the conduct of national campaigns for the benefit of the International Children's Emergency Fund, with a view to providing international co-ordination of voluntary governmental and non-governmental appeals for the benefit of children;

(b) To report concerning the appeals to the ninth session of the Economic and Social Council and to the fourth regular session of the General Assembly.
