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PART I  
INTRODUCTION

1. Under agenda item 50 the Fifth Committee considered the budget estimates of the United Nations for the financial year 1961, together with a number of related items under this general heading. The Committee recommends gross appropriation for 1961 of \$72,729,300 and an estimate of income other than staff assessment of \$5,531,530. The estimated net expenditure figure is thus \$67,197,770.
2. The Committee also recommends that the Working Capital Fund for 1961 be maintained at its previously approved level of \$25 million.
3. Finally, the Committee recommends a 1961 estimate for staff assessment income of \$6,725,500 for transfer during the course of 1961 to the Tax Equalization Fund from which credits are distributed to Member States in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955.
4. For its examination of the budget proposed for 1961, the Fifth Committee had before it, as basic documents, the 1961 budget estimates<sup>1/</sup> submitted by the Secretary-General and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.<sup>2/</sup> In addition, revised estimates for various appropriation sections were considered on the basis of reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee.
5. The Committee was assisted throughout its session by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, who, in accordance with past practice, was invited to take a continuous part in the deliberations. The Fifth Committee acknowledges with gratitude the valuable contribution which the Advisory Committee has made through its expert study of a large number of items.

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<sup>1/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 5 (A/4370).

<sup>2/</sup> Ibid., Supplement No. 7 (A/4408).

PART II

GENERAL DISCUSSION

6. In the course of the general discussion, some delegations expressed the view that the Secretary-General's financial administration had been marked by an excessive and uneconomic expenditure of United Nations funds, and that the claim in the budget foreword that a measure of stabilization had been achieved in past years could not be sustained by the facts. Expenditure in 1954 had amounted to \$48.5 million; for 1961, it was proposed - even without the expected additional items - at \$67.5 million, representing an increase of close to 50 per cent in the six years of the present Secretary-General's tenure of office. Financial and administrative control over the planning and execution of Secretariat activities had clearly been weakened.

7. These delegations objected to any increase in the budget estimates above the level of 1959 expenditure: the net regular budget for 1961 should accordingly not exceed \$50 million. Concurrently, it would be necessary, in their opinion, to take the following steps in order to improve the working of the Secretariat:

(a) The structure of the Secretariat should be altered so that three groups of States - described as the "socialist" countries, the "neutralist" countries, and "the countries members of the Western bloc of States" - were represented on an equal footing. Recruitment should be made on a strictly international basis that would ensure a staff fitted to the tasks of the United Nations;

(b) The Secretary-General should desist from the practice of sending missions and representatives to different countries except when so directed by the Security Council or the General Assembly, and from staffing such missions on a one-sided basis, predominantly with nationals of the United States and the Western countries; he should recall those missions which he had sent out unlawfully;

(c) The activities of the Secretary-General should be confined within the framework of the Charter, and he should cease pursuing, in the name of the United Nations, a policy that served the interests of one group of Member States, to the detriment of other Members' interests.

8. It was also suggested that if the limitations imposed on the scale of economic and social activities by the adoption of a budget ceiling were unacceptable to some Member States, additional programmes in those fields could be met from a

separate, operational budget to be financed by voluntary contributions on the part of the State concerned.

9. Other delegations considered that the 1961 budget proposals, in spite of an increase of some \$3.8 million by comparison with 1960, were essentially sound. It was true that, after careful study, the Advisory Committee had recommended certain reductions, but nothing in that Committee's report implied any major criticism of the Secretary-General's budget policy. In fact, his hands were in large measure tied. In the foreword to the estimates, the Secretary-General had placed the onus for budgetary expansion clearly where it belonged - on delegations and the Governments they represented. In the Fifth Committee, Governments expressed concern at the alarming increases in United Nations expenditure, which would impose a heavy burden on Member States; in other bodies, however, they pleaded for the establishment of new programmes and an extension of those already in being. Such actions were understandable, provided it was also recognized that the resources of Governments were limited, and that only a strictly applied system of priorities could prevent a progressive expansion of the budget. The issue had been correctly stated by the Secretary-General: he had pointed out (A/4370, foreword, paragraph 92) that the margin had been reached and that if more was to be done within the existing level of resources, decisions would have to be faced regarding the continuance or discontinuance of some current activities. The responsibility for such decisions lay not with the Secretary-General but with the programme-making organs and with the Member Governments represented on those organs. There was need to strike a reasonable balance: to impose a ceiling on the budget, as suggested by some delegations, would hamper the Organization's ability to respond quickly to the requirements of peace and security, and to the rapidly changing needs of the international community. It should not, however, on that ground be assumed that sufficient resources could automatically be found to do all the things the Organization would like to do, or to do all the things that were important. There might indeed be a case, while admitting a reasonable degree of development, for planning for several years in advance, and laying down exact guide-lines as to the size and purpose of the appropriations and the manner of their use over a period of, say, three or five years.

10. It was, at the same time, the view of several delegations that while it was natural to deplore increased assessments and the difficulties they represented

for Governments, the Committee should examine the budget not merely on the basis of specific figures, but by reference to the contribution which the Organization could make to peace and security and to economic and social progress. With those causes in view, it was essential for the Committee, on the one hand, to acquaint itself with the requirements of programmes and with the decisions of other United Nations organs regarding activities with financial implications, and for the latter organs, on the other hand, to give due weight to the budgetary consequences of their actions. The documents before the General Assembly held out the hope that both conditions could be met. Substantial progress had been made towards the co-ordination of programme proposals and their budgetary effects. The Economic and Social Council had given close attention in recent months to the five-year appraisal of its programmes, and had set up an ad hoc working group to study various aspects of programme co-ordination. The Secretary-General had considerably amplified the information contained in the budget submission, and the Advisory Committee had kept the problem under continuous review and presented a series of valuable suggestions for action both within the United Nations and among the family of organizations.

11. The Secretary-General said that some statements made concerning the various United Nations missions appeared to reflect a philosophy regarding the United Nations which ignored Article 99 of the Charter and what followed from it. If the Secretary-General was entitled to draw the attention of the Security Council to threats to peace and security, he had to find out the facts in person; for that reason he had gone to Laos in November 1959.

MATTERS CONSIDERED DURING THE FIRST MEETING  
 OF THE BUDGET SECTIONS

Section 3 (Salaries and wages)

	<u>Proposed by Secretary-General</u>	<u>Recommended by Advisory Committee</u>	<u>Reduction recommended by Advisory Committee</u>
	<u>United States dollars</u>		
Initial estimates	34,800,600	34,303,900	496,700
Revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council	91,600	72,700	18,900
Fifth Committee's decision (764th meet- ing) on post adjust- ments at New York and Geneva	<u>370,000</u>	<u>370,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	35,262,200	34,746,600	515,600

12. During the discussion of section 3 of the estimates, the question arose whether, under the recommendations of the Advisory Committee, sufficient funds would be available for the adequate staffing of the regional economic commissions in 1961 and for essential work in connexion with economic development. The Committee noted with satisfaction that those recommendations were based on the premise that the Economic Commission for Africa would, in any case, be put on a full working basis as early as possible.

13. Much attention was given to a question of principle raised by the Advisory Committee (A/4408, paragraph 122) in connexion with the Latin American Common Market project, namely, the extent to which the United Nations Secretariat should provide services to inter-governmental regional bodies for which the main or exclusive responsibility rests outside the Organization.

14. Many delegations pointed out that the General Assembly, at its previous session, had specifically recommended that the Economic Commission for Latin

America should continue to assign a high priority to work on the common market project. The Latin American Common Market could not be equated with the European Common Market: the latter was an association of highly developed and technically advanced countries working together in the interest of stabilization, whereas the former was designed to promote economic growth, the development of resources and industrialization. It would be regrettable if ECLA was suddenly deprived of the means of continuing work which had already yielded excellent results. Similar considerations applied to the Lower Mekong River Basin project, for which a wide variety of contributions had had to be secured, and which would take many years for its completion. The project had been initiated through the efforts of ECAFE, and the countries of the region were eager for the Commission to continue its participation.

15. Other representatives pointed out that the Secretary-General would have full authority to shift available credits - to an amount of close to \$35 million - as needs dictated. Even granted that the case for continued assistance to the Latin American Common Market project had been made out - and some delegations considered that United Nations participation should be strictly limited to the stage of initial promotion - the Secretary-General should be able, in an establishment of some 4,000 posts, to find the 25 posts needed for the increased requirements of ECLA and ECAFE. The estimates for section 3 should be considered in the context of the total financial commitments of the United Nations. For 1960 alone, the Committee would soon be examining supplementary estimates of over \$66 million in respect of the Congo.

16. Other delegations maintained that the Secretary-General had clearly defined the issue: either to revise the tasks laid upon the Secretariat or to make the modest budgetary adjustments which he had requested. While it might be wise, pending the findings of the Committee of Experts on the Work and Organization of the Secretariat, to hold the permanent establishment of the Secretariat within the limits recommended by the Advisory Committee, the Committee should not on that account withhold the temporary appropriations required for approved programmes.

17. On the subject of the adjustment for turnover of staff, some representatives were in favour of restoring, either wholly or in part, the further deduction of \$100,000 recommended by the Advisory Committee (A/4408, paragraph 137). The basis

for that recommendation was not clear, for it seemed illogical, on the one hand, to ask the Secretary-General to fill vacancies as far as possible and, on the other, to give still more weight to the vacancy factor.

18. The Secretary-General's representative said that the turnover figure of \$1,110,000, as estimated by the Secretary-General, assumed a full year's vacancy in respect of at least 110 posts, and was therefore a heavy deduction. The Advisory Committee's recommendation raised that number to 120 posts, an increase that might not only involve the ultimate submission of supplementary estimates, but, by imposing recruitment delays, would hamper efforts at improving the geographical distribution of the staff. The Secretary-General was, however, less concerned with the amount of the turnover deduction, which was to some extent a matter of judgement, than with the size of the establishment, permanent and temporary, to be authorized for 1961. He would in any case suggest that the Committee might invite the Secretary-General to make a special study of the present budgetary practice with regard to turnover, and to report through the Advisory Committee to the Fifth Committee next year.

19. At its 777th meeting, the Committee decided that an amount of \$150,000 should be provided under section 3 and distributed at the Secretary-General's discretion, for the purpose of staffing on a temporary basis the regional economic commissions at the required level for 1961 and providing for priority work in the field of economic development.



Sections 13-17. Technical Programmes

20. The Fifth Committee considered Part V of the estimates - sections 13 to 17 at its 820th and 821st meetings, on the basis of reports of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/850 and 850/Add.1) and the Advisory Committee (A/4639). The reports of the Secretary-General included the draft resolutions which had been adopted by the Second Committee following that Committee's consideration of reports of the Secretary-General on opportunities for international co-operation on behalf of former Trust Territories and other newly independent States (A/4585) and on the provision of operational, executive and administrative personnel (A/4589).
21. The discussions of these reports in the Committee centred in the main upon three points: the need for the increased provisions; whether they should be provided in the regular budget or by voluntary contributions; and whether the amount of the credit to be provided during 1961 would cover essential needs during that year without impairing the development of the programmes.
22. On the first point there was recognition that the extent of the demand for such assistance was evident and in itself would justify an increase in financial support. But more importantly it was believed that the Assembly resolutions 1414 (XIV) and 1415 (XIV) and ECOSOC resolutions 752 (XXIX) and 768 (XXX) underlined the increasing responsibilities of the Organization to provide aid on an urgent and temporary basis to the newly independent and emergent States.
23. On the second point several delegations suggested that the provision of credits in the regular budget was appropriate despite the difficult financial position of the United Nations. Some delegations, however, considered that voluntary contributions might in some cases represent a better approach.
24. The representative of the Soviet Union stated that his Government wished to participate actively in the programme, but believed that it should be supported through the creation of a special account to which voluntary contributions could be applied. He stated that his Government would contribute a sum of 5 million roubles to such an account and, if necessary, would examine the possibility of increasing that amount.
25. On the third point it was emphasized that the budgetary recommendations of the Advisory Committee did not imply a reduction in the level of credits which

the Secretary-General had proposed. The representative of the Secretary-General assured the Committee that the amount of \$3.5 million recommended by the Advisory Committee for 1961 (additional to the level of credits which had been approved in 1960) would provide for the majority of the most important requirements.

26. The Committee approved the recommendation of the Advisory Committee; its vote on particular sections is recorded under Part IV below.

Section 20. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

27. In addition to the initial estimates of \$2,117,200, or under the Advisory Committee's recommendation \$2,050,000, for section 20, Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees, the Committee considered, at its 789th and 790th meetings further estimates for the section of \$232,500, as submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/838), or \$206,000 as recommended by the Advisory Committee (A/4562).

28. These estimates arose out of an agreement concluded in October 1960 between the High Commissioner and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the indemnification of refugees who suffered under the national-socialist (nazi) regime by reason of their nationality (A/C.5/838, appendices A and B).

29. Although there is nothing in the agreement to preclude the charging of administrative costs to the Special Indemnification Fund (amounting to DM 45 million (\$10,714,000)), the High Commissioner was of the opinion that "human justice demands the use of the entire amount of the ... Fund for direct payments to refugees". With that opinion the majority of the Committee concurred. The Committee also noted that as payment had been made by the Federal Government of Germany in final settlement,<sup>3/</sup> the matter of a further payment in respect of administrative costs could not be re-opened.

30. The costs in question were expected to run for three years (1961-1963) and to amount in the aggregate to between \$500,000 and \$600,000.

31. A question of policy which was raised in the Advisory Committee's report was a main subject of discussion: whether or not the administrative costs should be borne on the regular United Nations budget without any offsetting subvention from the Fund.

32. It was suggested that, while regard should be had to humanitarian considerations, it was not reasonable to carry in the regular budget the entire cost of administering the Fund. Were the interest earned on investment of the funds to be used in partial or total cover of the administrative costs, the principal of the fund would remain intact for distribution among the beneficiaries. Other delegations, however, pointed out that, under such a procedure, either the number of beneficiaries or the per caput amount of the distribution would be reduced. In their opinion, there was force in the arguments advanced by the High Commissioner

<sup>3/</sup> Article 4 of the agreement.

to the effect that in the case of similar agreements between the Bureau Federal Government and certain Allied Governments in respect of their nationals, the latter Governments had assumed the overhead costs, and that the General Assembly should take into account that, as refugees in general had been regarded as proteges of the United Nations, the Organization might be said to bear a responsibility to the refugees analogous to that which the Allied Governments bore with respect to their nationals. In any case, principal and interest were generally regarded as inseparable, and an exception should not be made in the present case.

33. At the 789th meeting the representative of Iran formally proposed that the Committee should approve the Advisory Committee's recommendation (A/4562, paragraph 13a) that the initial estimates for section 20 of the 1961 budget should be increased from \$2,050,000 (as recommended by that Committee) to \$2,256,000, with a concurrent increase of \$20,000 in income from staff assessment.

34. At the 790th meeting the representative of the United States proposed, as an amendment to the Iranian proposal, that, in addition, there should be credited to miscellaneous income, as a subvention from the Indemnification Fund, the actual interest earned on the Fund up to the end of 1961, to an amount not exceeding \$137,000.<sup>1/</sup>

#### Decisions of the Committee

35. At the 790th meeting, the Committee voted as follows:

(a) The United States amendment to the Iranian proposal was rejected by a roll-call vote of 27 votes to 11, with 28 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Australia, Austria, France, Haiti, Italy, Liberia, New Zealand, Philippines, Union of South Africa, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Albania, Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Ethiopia, Hungary, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Lebanon, Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Sudan, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, Yemen.

<sup>1/</sup> Estimated net amount of administrative costs related to article 2 of the agreement, viz. \$161,000 less reduction of \$24,000 recommended by the Advisory Committee.

Abstaining: Afghanistan, Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, Chile, China, Colombia, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Federation of Malaya, Finland, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Thailand, Venezuela, Yugoslavia.

(b) The Iranian proposal was adopted by 47 votes to 9, with 10 abstentions.

PART III

OTHER MATTERS

Publication of the verbatim records of the Second United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea

36. In the allocation of the agenda for the fifteenth session, the General Assembly (A/C.5/825) suggested that in connexion with the consideration of the budget estimates, the Fifth Committee should also study the resolution adopted by the Second United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea on 26 April 1960 in which the Conference recommended that the Assembly approve at its fifteenth session "the necessary budget appropriations for the publication ... of a complete verbatim record of the discussions at the ... Conference...".

37. The Fifth Committee considered this question at its 800th and 801st meetings on the basis of reports by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/839) and the Advisory Committee (A/4584). On the understanding that, with prudent allocation of staff time within the context of priorities of work to be performed in the course of 1961, and within the appropriations already voted for printing costs, it should be possible to comply with the request of the Conference, the Committee approved by 51 votes to 1, with 6 abstentions, a proposal by the representative of Mexico that the verbatim records of the Second Conference on the Law of the Sea, in the original in a trilingual record, should be produced in printed form.

International encouragement of scientific research  
into the control of cancerous diseases

38. The Fifth Committee at its 800th meeting considered, on the basis of reports of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/831/Rev.1) and the Advisory Committee (A/4588), the financial provision that should be made for giving effect to resolution 1398 (XIV) on the international encouragement of scientific research into the control of cancerous diseases, by which suitable prizes of a total value of \$100,000 were instituted, to be known as United Nations prizes and to be awarded for the most outstanding scientific research work in this field.

39. The Committee agreed that in all the circumstances provision for the awards should be made as an expense under the Working Capital Fund rather than as an

appropriation. Accordingly it was decided without objection that the following authorization language should be added in the draft resolution on the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1961:

"... such sums, not to exceed \$100,000 during the period 1961 to 1964, as may be necessary to finance awards made for the international encouragement of scientific research into the control of cancerous diseases pursuant to General Assembly resolution 1398 (XIV) of 20 November 1959; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the annual budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund."

Administrative arrangements under the Draft Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs

40. The Committee considered at its 809th meeting the report (A/4603) on administrative arrangements under the Draft Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs which the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions had submitted in response to a suggestion made in the Committee at its previous session.<sup>5/</sup>

41. In its report the Advisory Committee set forth the practical administrative considerations which, on balance, argued in favour of a single secretariat serving both the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the International Control Board envisaged in article 5 of the Draft Single Convention. The Committee urged that the Convention should provide in this connexion that all necessary secretariat services should be furnished to the Commission and the Board by the Secretary-General. It would then be for the Secretary-General to determine the organizational arrangements for that purpose.

42. In the course of the Committee's discussion, several delegations said that the time had come to do away with the long-standing anomaly created by the existence of separate secretariats performing parallel functions with respect to the control of narcotic drugs. These delegations believed that the General Assembly should recommend a specific course of administrative action to the Plenipotentiary Conference of 1961. As the Conference would be engaged principally on substantive matters, recommendations from the Assembly on the administrative aspects of the Draft Convention would undoubtedly be helpful.

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<sup>5/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Fourteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 44, document A/4336, paragraphs 25-26.

43. It was, however, suggested that, as it was not yet known whether the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the Permanent Central Opium Board would have an opportunity of considering, in advance of the Conference, the arrangements recommended by the Advisory Committee, the General Assembly should do no more than bring those recommendations to the notice of the Plenipotentiary Conference.

44. At its 824th meeting, the Committee decided, without objection, to recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of the draft resolution attached as annex D.



PART IV

FIRST READING OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1961

45. For its first reading of the 1961 budget estimates, the Fifth Committee had before it the initial estimates submitted by the Secretary-General (A/4370) and the report of the Advisory Committee thereon (A/4408). The statements made by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/828) and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee (A/C.5/829) at the 767th meeting of the Fifth Committee had also contained references to particular sections of the budget. Further, the Secretary-General submitted revised estimates for several purposes, and the Advisory Committee reported on those estimates:

(a) United Nations Visiting Mission, 1961 - documents A/C.5/818, A/4506: section 1;

(b) Reports of the Secretary-General and of the Committee of Experts appointed under General Assembly resolution 1446 (XIV) - documents A/C.5/830, A/4556: section 1;

(c) Admission of new members - document A/C.5/844: section 1;

(d) Decisions of the Economic and Social Council - A/C.5/819 and Corr.1, A/4523: sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 11;

(e) Salary scales for General Service staff at Headquarters and Geneva - documents A/C.5/849, A/4632: sections 3, 4, 18 and 20;

(f) Part V of the 1961 budget (Technical programmes) - documents A/C.5/850 and Add.1, A/4639: sections 13, 14 and 16;

(g) Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees - documents A/C.5/838, A/4562: section 20.

46. It is not attempted in the following portion of this report to reflect the discussions in the Fifth Committee during the first reading of the various sections. During these discussions observations were made by members of the Committee and the position of delegations on certain of the estimates expressed. Representatives of the Secretary-General replied to questions raised on the sections. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee gave further information on the views of that Committee on various estimates. These discussions can be found in the official records

of the meetings of the Fifth Committee. The part of this report dealing with the general discussion does reflect, however, those points which, in the first reading of the sections, were given special attention and interest.

47. The actions of the Fifth Committee on questions relating to the financial implications of decisions of other Main Committees of the Assembly are indicated herein, and the effect of the approval by the General Assembly of those decisions is shown in the following text under the sections involved.

48. Further, the General Assembly, at its 948th plenary meeting decided that its fifteenth sessions should resume in New York on 7 March 1961. In this respect, and on the basis of reports by the Secretary-General (A/4647) and the Advisory Committee (A/4654), the Fifth Committee, at its 822nd meeting, unanimously approved a provision of \$300,000 for this purpose. The distribution of this provision, as recommended by the Advisory Committee, is shown below under the text of the pertinent sections.

49. Similarly, the effect of decisions taken by the Fifth Committee which themselves had financial implications is indicated under the pertinent sections.

Section 1. Travel and other expenses of representatives, members of commissions and committees, and other subsidiary bodies

50. At its 769th meeting, the Committee, in a separate vote requested by the representative of the USSR, approved a provision of \$32,000 for the 1961 Visiting Mission to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (A/C.5/818, A/4506), by 58 votes to none, with 9 abstentions. It then unanimously approved an amount of \$907,200 for this section, representing the appropriation recommended by the Advisory Committee in respect of the initial estimates and the revised estimate for the 1961 Visiting Mission, adjusted to reflect the decisions of the Fifth Committee on the rates of subsistence allowance for members of organs and subsidiary organs of the United Nations (A/4608) and the payment of honoraria to members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (A/4609).

51. In connexion with its consideration of agenda item 58 "Organization and work of the Secretariat", on which the Committee has reported separately (A/4601), the Committee approved, without objection, an additional provision of \$50,000 under section 1.

52. At its 806th meeting the Committee unanimously approved an increased provision (A/C.5/844) under section 1 in the amount of \$130,000 to provide for travel expenses of representatives of new Member States.

Section 2. Special meetings and conferences

53. At its 769th meeting, the Committee unanimously approved an amount of \$255,600 for section 2 in respect of the initial estimates and the revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council.

Section 3. Salaries and wages (see also Part II of this report)

54. The Committee considered section 3 at its 773rd, 775th, 776th and 777th meetings. At its 777th meeting, the Committee rejected, by 47 votes to 9, with 8 abstentions, a proposal by the representative of the USSR that the amount of \$34,746,600 recommended by the Advisory Committee for section 3 should be reduced by \$3,446,600 to an amount of \$31,300,000, the actual 1959 expenditure. The Committee approved, by 61 votes to none, with 3 abstentions, a proposal by the representative of India that an amount of \$150,000 should be provided under section 3, to be spread at the discretion of the Secretary-General, in order to staff on a temporary basis the regional economic commissions at the required level in 1961 and to provide for priority work in the field of economic development. The Committee then approved, by 57 votes to 9, an amount of \$34,896,600 under section 3, representing the Advisory Committee's recommendations in respect of the initial estimates and the revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council, adjusted to reflect (i) the decision of the Fifth Committee (764th meeting) on post classifications for Headquarters, New York, and the United Nations Office at Geneva (A/C.5/816, A/4507), and (ii) the decision which the Committee had taken on the Indian proposal as set out above.

55. On the basis of reports by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/845) and the Advisory Committee (A/4622), the Fifth Committee informed the General Assembly separately (A/4633) on the financial implications of the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee on the economic and social consequences of disarmament, involving a further provision of \$28,500 under this section.

56. The decision of the Committee at its 816th meeting on salary scales for General Service staff at Headquarters and Geneva (see separate report under agenda item 49 (A/4675) provided an additional amount of \$601,500 under this section.

57. The decision of the Committee regarding provision for the resumed session of the General Assembly in 1961 (see paragraph 48 above) provided an additional amount of \$160,000 under this section.

#### Section 4. Common staff costs

58. At its 777th meeting, the Committee approved, by 56 votes to 9, an amount of \$7,837,750 for Section 4. This amount represented the recommendations of the Advisory Committee in respect of the initial estimates and the revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council, increased by \$25,000 as a consequence of the decision of the Committee on the appropriation for section 3.

59. The amount of \$7,837,750 was subsequently increased

- by \$290,100 in respect of the decision of the Fifth Committee on the Comprehensive Review of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (A/4621);
- by \$77,450 in respect of salary scales for General Service staff at Headquarters and Geneva (paragraph 56 above);
- by \$8,000 in respect of the resumed fifteenth session of the General Assembly (paragraph 48 above).

#### Section 5. Travel of staff

60. At its 777th meeting, the Committee approved by 59 votes to none, with 8 abstentions, an amount of \$2,011,200 for section 5 in respect of the initial estimates and the revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council.

61. The decision of the Fifth Committee regarding the resumed fifteenth session of the Assembly (paragraph 48 above) provided an additional amount of \$17,000 under this section.

Section 6. Payments under annex I, paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Staff Regulations; Hospitality

62. At its 777th meeting, the Committee approved, by 59 votes to none with 8 abstentions, an amount of \$100,000 for this section.

Section 7. Buildings and improvements to premises

63. At its 770th meeting, the Committee unanimously approved an amount of \$3,749,500 for this section.

64. The decisions of the Committee on the architectural and engineering survey of the Headquarters buildings (see A/4678) provided an additional amount of \$122,875 under section 7.

Section 8. Permanent equipment

65. At its 770th meeting, the Committee unanimously approved an amount of \$400,000 for section 8.

Section 9. Maintenance, operation and rental of premises

66. At its 770th meeting, the Committee unanimously approved an amount of \$3,244,050 for this section.

67. The decision of the Committee regarding the resumed fifteenth session of the General Assembly (paragraph 48 above) involved a further provision of \$35,000 under section 9.

Section 10. General expenses

68. At its 770th meeting, the Committee unanimously approved an amount of \$3,469,750 for section 10.

Section 11. Printing

69. At its 770th meeting, the Committee unanimously approved an amount of \$1,180,750 for section 11 in respect of the initial estimates and the revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council.

70. The decision of the Fifth Committee on the resumed fifteenth session of the General Assembly (paragraph 48 above) provided an additional amount of \$80,000 under section 11.

Section 12. Special expenses

71. The Committee considered section 12 at its 815th meeting. Provision for the awards for international encouragement of scientific research into the control of cancerous diseases having been dealt with separately (see part III of this report) the section comprised provisions for the United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea and the United Nations International School. The Committee has reported separately (A/4658) on the International School.

72. The Committee voted on the appropriations as follows:

	<u>Amount</u> \$	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstention</u>
Chapter I - United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea	54,000	33	9	11
Chapter II - United Nations International School	80,000	52	0	1
Total. Section 12	134,000	43	0	10

Part V - Technical programmes (see Part II of the present report)

73. The Committee considered Part V of the 1961 estimates (sections 13-17) at its 820th and 821st meetings.

74. The Committee, at its 821st meeting, decided, by 46 votes to 9 with 3 abstentions, that an additional amount of \$3,500,000 be appropriated for 1961 for the purpose of providing technical assistance to former Trust Territories and newly-independent States, to be distributed over sections 13, 14 and 16 as indicated in paragraph 10 of the report of the Advisory Committee (A/4639).

75. The Committee then voted as follows on the appropriations under section 13 to 16 recommended by the Advisory Committee in its report.

	<u>Amount</u> \$	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstention</u>
<u>Section 13. Economic development</u>	1,970,000	49	0	10
<u>Section 14. Social activities</u>	1,960,000	49	0	11
<u>Section 15. Human rights activities</u>	100,000	adopted unanimously		
<u>Section 16. Chapter I - Public administration training and research</u>	1,000,000	50	0	10
<u>Section 16. Chapter II - OPEX</u>	850,000	47	0	13
<u>Section 16. Public administration (as a whole)</u>	1,850,000	47	0	13

Section 17. Narcotic drugs control

76. The Committee approved, by 44 votes to none, with 11 abstentions, a proposal, by the representative of Brazil, that the appropriation recommended by the Advisory Committee for this section be increased by \$25,000 to a total of \$75,000.

Section 18. Special missions

77. The Committee considered section 18 at its 789th meeting. Voting separately on the request of the representative of Czechoslovakia, the Committee approved the provisions recommended by the Advisory Committee for chapters IV, V and VI as follows:

	<u>Amount</u> \$	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
Chapter IV. Plebiscites for the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration	126,000		Unanimous	
Chapter V. Expenses arising from General Assembly resolution 1237 (ES-III)	50,000		Unanimous	
Chapter VI. Plebiscite for the Trust Territory of Western Samoa under New Zealand administration	70,000		Unanimous	

The Committee then approved, by 51 votes to 9, with 1 abstention, an amount of \$2,555,000 for section 18 as a whole, representing the appropriation recommended by the Advisory Committee in respect of the initial estimates adjusted to reflect the decisions of the Fifth Committee on the rates of subsistence allowance for members of organs and subsidiary organs of the United Nations (A/4608).

78. The decision of the Fifth Committee on salary scales of General Service staff at Headquarters and Geneva (paragraph 56 above) provided an additional amount of \$7,750 under this section.

79. On the basis of reports by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/853) and the Advisory Committee (A/4644), the Fifth Committee informed the General Assembly (A/4665) on the financial implications of draft resolution VI recommended by the Fourth Committee on the Question of South West Africa, involving a further provision of \$46,000 under this section.

Section 19. United Nations Field Service

80. At its 789th meeting, the Committee approved, by 51 votes to 9, with one abstention, an amount of \$1,289,000 for section 19.

81. The decision of the Fifth Committee on the Comprehensive review of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (A/4621) involved a further provision of \$6,800 under section 19.

Section 20. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees  
(see Part II of this report)

82. At its 790th meeting, the Committee approved, by 47 votes to 9, with 10 abstentions, a provision of \$2,256,000 under section 20.

This amount was increased

- by \$17,000 in respect of an adjustment in the post classification for Geneva;
- by \$9,400 in respect of the Fifth Committee's decisions on the Comprehensive review of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (A/4621); and
- by \$19,875 in respect of the Committee's decision on General Service salary scales at Geneva.

Section 21. International Court of Justice

83. At its 778th meeting, the Committee unanimously approved an amount of \$729,000 for section 21.

84. The amount of \$729,000 was subsequently increased

- by \$25,000 in respect of the decision of the Fifth Committee on amendments to the Pension Scheme Regulations of the International Court of Justice (A/4646);
- by \$1,700 in respect of the decision of the Fifth Committee on the Comprehensive review of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund.

Estimates of income

85. At its 778th meeting, the Committee, unanimously for each section, approved estimates of income as follows:



<u>Income section</u>	<u>\$</u>
1. Staff assessment income	6,550,000
2. Funds provided from extra-budgetary accounts	1,879,880
3. General income	1,595,100
4. Sale of United Nations postage stamps	1,070,000
5. Sale of publications	360,000
6. Services to visitors and catering services	645,500

86. The amounts approved were those recommended by the Advisory Committee in respect of the initial estimates and, for sections 1 and 3, the revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council. For income section 1, an additional amount of \$30,000 was included as a consequence of the Committee's decision under section 3 of the expenditure estimates.

87. The amount of \$6,550,000 for income section 1 was subsequently increased in respect of estimated additional staff assessment:

- of \$20,000 in respect of revised estimates for section 20, Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees;
- of \$135,500 in respect of increased salary scales for General Service staff at Headquarters and Geneva; and
- of \$20,000 in respect of additional staff costs for the resumed fifteenth session of the General Assembly.

88. The approved estimates of income for income sections 4, 5 and 6 set out above were reduced by \$3,500, \$1,250, and \$14,100 respectively as a result of the Committee's decisions on General Service salary scales at Headquarters and Geneva.

PART V

SECOND READING OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1961

89. At its 822nd meeting, the Fifth Committee voted on the sections of the 1961 budget in second reading, as follows:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Amount</u> \$	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	
1	Travel of representatives, members of commissions and committees and other subsidiary bodies	1,087,200	Adopted unanimously		
2	Special meetings and conferences	255,600	Adopted unanimously		
3	Salaries and wages	35,686,600	50	8	0
4	Common staff costs	8,213,300	50	8	0
5	Travel of staff	2,028,200	50	0	8
6	Payments under Annex 1, paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Staff Regulations:				
	Hospitality	100,000	50	0	8
7	Buildings and improvements to premises	3,872,375	Adopted unanimously		
8	Permanent equipment	400,000	Adopted unanimously		
9	Maintenance, operation and rental of premises	3,279,050	Adopted unanimously		
10	General expenses	3,469,750	Adopted unanimously		
11	Printing	1,260,750	Adopted unanimously		
12	Special expenses	134,000	49	0	8
13	Economic development	1,970,000	49	0	8
14	Social activities	1,960,000	50	0	9
15	Human rights activities	100,000	Adopted unanimously		
16	Public administration	1,850,000	46	0	11
17	Narcotic drugs control	75,000	53	0	5
18	Special missions	2,608,750	48	8	1
19	United Nations Field Service	1,295,800	50	8	0
20	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	2,302,275	48	0	9
21	International Court of Justice	755,700	Adopted unanimously		

Income Sections

1	Staff assessment income	6,725,500	Adopted unanimously		
2	Funds provided from extra-budgetary accounts	1,879,880	Adopted unanimously		
3	General income	1,595,100	Adopted unanimously		
4	Sale of United Nations postage stamps	1,066,500	Adopted unanimously		
5	Sale of publications	358,750	Adopted unanimously		
6	Services to visitors and catering services	631,300	Adopted unanimously		

90. The decision of the Committee under section 3 provided for a consolidated manning table for 1961 for the various departments and units for which provision was included in that section as follows (the establishment proposed by the Secretary-General with the reduction of thirty-four professional posts and seventeen general service posts recommended by the Advisory Committee):

Established posts for departments and offices at Headquarters; the United Nations Office at Geneva; information centres; the secretariats of the Economic Commissions for Africa, for Asia and the Far East, and for Latin America; the joint secretariat of the Permanent Central Opium Board and the Drug Supervisory Body; the Joint Staff Pension Board and the United Nations Staff Pension Committee; and Revenue Producing Activities

<u>Category and level</u>	<u>Total</u>
I. <u>Secretary-General</u> . . . . .	1
Under-Secretary . . . . .	18
Director . . . . .	27
Principal officer . . . . .	80
TOTAL I	126
II. <u>Professional</u>	
Senior officer . . . . .	190
First officer . . . . .	432
Second officer . . . . .	617
Associate and assistant officer . . . . .	408
TOTAL II	1,647
III. <u>General Service*</u>	
Principal or highest level . . . . .	189
Other levels . . . . .	1,971
TOTAL III	2,160
TOTALS I, II, AND III	3,933

\* Exclusive of local level posts at Information Centres, ECA, ECAFE and ECLA for which a budgetary credit is provided (notionally 525 posts).

91. At its 823rd meeting, the Committee considered the financial implications of two draft resolutions recommended by other main Committees:

- one, by the Special Political Committee, on the report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation,
- the other, by the Fourth Committee, on the question of the future of Ruanda-Urundi.

92. The Committee has reported separately on these two items (A/4671 and A/4673 respectively). The draft appropriation resolution recommended by the Committee in this report takes into account the sums, additional to those approved in second reading, required in the event of the adoption by the General Assembly of the draft resolutions concerned.

Draft budget resolution for 1961

~~Sub-budget~~ ~~1961-1962-1963~~

93. At its 823rd meeting the Committee adopted the draft budget resolution for the financial year 1961 set out in annex A to the present report, voting as follows:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
Total of the expenditure sections - \$72,969,300	54	9	-
Part A of the draft resolution	54	9	-
Part B	unanimous		
Part C	55	9	-

94. The Fifth Committee therefore recommends for adoption by the General Assembly the draft resolution, in three parts, contained in annex A to the present report.

Draft resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses

95. The Committee considered the draft resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for 1961 (A/C.5/L.648) at its 823rd and 824th meetings.

96. The Committee rejected, by 31 votes to 11, with 16 abstentions, an amendment submitted by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (A/C.5/L.656). It approved, by 35 votes to 1, with 22 abstentions, an oral amendment by the representative of India for the addition of the following paragraph:

"3. Requests the Advisory Committee in the light of discussions in the Fifth Committee to study and report to the resumed fifteenth session of the General Assembly on the question of the review of the resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses of the United Nations."

The Committee then rejected, by 16 votes to 7, with 31 abstentions, an oral amendment by the representative of Iraq for the insertion, in the first paragraph, following the words "is authorized to enter into commitments to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses" of the words "not exceeding \$5 million". The Committee approved the draft resolution, as amended, by 47 votes to 9, with 3 abstentions. The Committee accordingly recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the draft resolution set out in annex B to the present report.

Draft resolution relating to the Working Capital Fund

97. At its 823rd meeting, the Fifth Committee considered the draft resolution relating to the Working Capital Fund set out in annex C to the present report. The representative of India proposed an amendment in terms of which paragraph 5 of the draft resolution would be replaced by a paragraph continuing for 1961 the authorization granted the Secretary-General in paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 1448 (XIV).

98. The amendment proposed by India was rejected by 25 votes to 25, with 11 abstentions. The Committee then, on a separate vote requested by the representative of Iraq, approved, by 30 votes to 23, with 8 abstentions, the words "or from other available sources" in paragraph 5 of the draft resolution. A motion for a separate vote on paragraph 5 as a whole, made by the representative of India, was rejected by 28 votes to 25, with 11 abstentions. The Committee approved the draft resolution by 49 votes to none, with 15 abstentions. The Committee therefore recommends the adoption by the General Assembly of the draft resolution set out in annex C to the present report.

ANNEX A

DRAFT BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1961

A

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1961

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1961:

1. Appropriations totalling \$US72,969,300 are hereby voted for the following purposes:

A. UNITED NATIONS

PART I. Sessions of the General Assembly, the Councils, commissions and committees; special meetings and conferences

Amount in US Dollars

<u>Section</u>		
1.	Travel and other expenses of representatives, members of commissions, committees and other subsidiary bodies . . . . .	1,090,350
2.	Special meetings and conferences . . . . .	<u>255,600</u>
	TOTAL, PART I	1,345,950

PART II. Staff costs and related expenses

<u>Section</u>		
3.	Salaries and wages . . . . .	35,702,600
4.	Common staff costs . . . . .	8,213,300
5.	Travel of staff . . . . .	2,034,000
6.	Payments under annex I, paragraphs 2 and 3, of the Staff Regulations; Hospitality . . . . .	<u>100,000</u>
	TOTAL, PART II	46,049,900

PART III. Buildings, equipment and common services

Amount in US Dollars

Section

7.	Buildings and improvements to premises . . . . .	3,872,375
8.	Permanent equipment . . . . .	400,000
9.	Maintenance, operation and rental of premises.	3,279,050
10.	General expenses . . . . .	3,469,750
11.	Printing . . . . .	<u>1,260,750</u>

TOTAL, PART III 12,281,925

PART IV. Special expenses

Section

12.	Special expenses . . . . .	<u>134,000</u>
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TOTAL, PART IV 134,000

PART V. Technical programmes

Section

13.	Economic development . . . . .	1,970,000
14.	Social activities . . . . .	1,960,000
15.	Human rights activities . . . . .	100,000
16.	Public administration . . . . .	1,850,000
17.	Narcotic drugs control . . . . .	<u>75,000</u>

TOTAL, PART V 5,955,000

PART VI. Special missions and related activities

Section

18.	Special missions . . . . .	2,848,750
19.	United Nations Field Service . . . . .	<u>1,295,800</u>

TOTAL, PART VI 4,144,550

PART VII. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Section

20.	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees . . . . .	<u>2,302,275</u>
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TOTAL, PART VII 2,302,275

B. INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

PART VIII. International Court of Justice

Amount in US Dollars

<u>Section</u>	<u>Amount in US Dollars</u>
21. International Court of Justice . . . . .	<u>755,700</u>
TOTAL, PART VIII	<u>755,700</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>72,969,300</u>

2. The Secretary-General is authorized:

(a) To administer as a unit the provisions under sections 1, 3 and 5 in a total amount of \$101,000 relating to the Permanent Central Opium Board and the Drug Supervisory Body;

(b) To transfer credits between sections of the budget with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. The appropriations under sections 1, 3, 4 and 5 in a total amount of \$187,500 relating to the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and the United Nations Staff Pension Committee shall be administered in accordance with article XXVII of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund;

4. In addition to the appropriations under paragraph 1 above, an amount of \$17,500 is hereby appropriated from the income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

B

INCOME ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1961

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1961:

1. Estimates of income other than assessments on Member States totalling \$US12,261,530 are approved as follows:



Amount in US Dollars

PART I. Income from staff assessment

Section

1.	Staff assessment income . . . . .	<u>6,730,000</u>	
	TOTAL, PART I		6,730,000

PART II. Other income

Section

2.	Funds provided from extra-budgetary accounts. .	1,879,880	
3.	General income . . . . .	1,595,100	
4.	Sale of United Nations postage stamps . . . . .	1,066,500	
5.	Sale of publications . . . . .	358,750	
6.	Services to visitors and catering services . .	<u>631,300</u>	
	TOTAL, PART II		<u>5,531,530</u>
	GRAND TOTAL		<u><u>12,261,530</u></u>

2. The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

3. Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, may be charged against the income derived from those activities.

C

FINANCING OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1961

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1961:

1. Budget appropriations totalling \$US72,969,300 together with supplementary appropriations for 1960 totalling \$2,585,200, shall be financed as follows, in accordance with regulations 5.1 and 5.2 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations:

- (a) As to \$5,531,530, by income other than staff assessment approved under resolution B above;
- (b) As to \$623,131, by the balance on surplus account for the financial year 1959;
- (c) As to \$52,032, by contributions of new Member States for 1960;
- (d) As to \$69,347,807, by assessment on Member States in accordance with the General Assembly resolution on the scale of assessments for 1961;
2. There shall be set off against the assessment on Member States:
- (a) Their respective shares in the Tax Equalization Fund, subject to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, comprising:
- (i) \$6,730,000 being the estimated staff assessment income for 1961;
- (ii) \$161,869, being the excess of staff assessment income for 1959 over estimated income;
- (b) Their credits in respect of the transfer of the League of Nations assets, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 250 (III) of 11 December 1948.

ANNEX B

DRAFT RESOLUTION RELATING TO UNFORESEEN AND EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES

The General Assembly

Resolves that, for the financial year 1961:

1. The Secretary-General, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and subject to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, is authorized to enter into commitments to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses, provided that the concurrence of the Advisory Committee shall not be necessary for:
  - (a) Such commitments, not exceeding a total of \$2 million, as the Secretary-General certifies relate to the maintenance of peace and security or to urgent economic rehabilitation;
  - (b) Such commitments as the President of the International Court of Justice certifies relate to expenses occasioned by:
    - (i) The designation of ad hoc Judges (Statute, Article 31), not exceeding a total of \$30,000;
    - (ii) The appointment of assessors (Statute, Article 30), or the calling of witnesses and the appointment of experts (Statute, Article 50), not exceeding a total of \$25,000;
    - (iii) By the maintenance in office of Judges who have not been re-elected (Statute, Article 13, paragraph 3) not exceeding a total of \$40,000;
    - (iv) The holding of sessions of the Court away from The Hague (Statute, Article 22), not exceeding a total of \$75,000;
    - (v) By the payment of pensions and travel and removal expenses of Judges not re-elected, and travel and removal expenses of new Members of the Court, not exceeding a total of \$57,000;
  - (c) Such commitments not exceeding a total of \$25,000 as may be authorized by the Secretary-General in accordance with paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 1202 (XII) of 13 December 1957 relating to the pattern of conferences;

2. The Secretary-General shall report to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and to the General Assembly, at its sixteenth session, all commitments made under the provisions of the present resolution, together with the circumstances relating thereto, and shall submit supplementary estimates to the Assembly in request of such commitments;

3. Requests the Advisory Committee in the light of discussions in the Fifth Committee to study and report to the resumed fifteenth session of the General Assembly on the question of the review of the resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses of the United Nations.

ANNEX C

TRAFF RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE WORKING CAPITAL FUND

The General Assembly

Resolves that:

1. The Working Capital Fund shall be established for the year ending 31 December 1961 at an amount of \$US25 million, derived:
  - (a) As to \$23,920,842, from cash advances by Members in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 of the present resolution;
  - (b) As to \$1,079,158, by transfer from surplus account as follows:
    - (i) \$551,170 being the balance of surplus account as at 31 December 1957 not applied against Members' assessments in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1340 (XIII) of 13 December 1958;
    - (ii) \$527,988 being the balance of surplus account as at 31 December 1958, not applied against Members' assessments in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1445 (XIV) of 5 December 1959;
2. Members shall make cash advances to the Working Capital Fund as required under paragraph 1 (a) above in accordance with the scale adopted by the General Assembly for contributions of Members to the budget for the financial year 1961;
3. There shall be set off against this allocation of advances the amounts paid by Members to the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1960 under General Assembly resolution 1445 (XIV), provided that, should such advance paid by any Member to the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1960 exceed the amount of that Member's advance under the provisions of paragraph 2 above, the excess shall be set off against the amount of contributions payable by that Member in respect of the budget for the financial year 1961, or any previous budget;
4. The Secretary-General is authorized to advance from the Working Capital Fund:
  - (a) Such sums as may be necessary to finance budgetary appropriations pending receipt of contributions; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed as soon as receipts from contributions are available for the purpose;

(b) Such sums as may be necessary to finance commitments which may be duly authorized under the provisions of the resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund;

(c) Such sums as, together with net sums outstanding for the same purpose, do not exceed \$125,000, to continue the revolving fund to finance miscellaneous self-liquidating purchases and activities; advances in excess of the total \$125,000 may be made with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(d) Loans to specialized agencies and preparatory commissions of agencies to be established by inter-governmental agreement under the auspices of the United Nations to finance their work, pending receipt by the agencies concerned of sufficient contributions under their own budgets; such loans shall normally be repayable within two years, and the Secretary-General shall obtain the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for any cash issues which would increase the aggregate balance outstanding (including amounts previously advanced and outstanding) at any one time to an amount in excess of \$250,000;

(e) Such sums not exceeding \$35,000 as may be required to finance payments of advance insurance premiums where the period of insurance extends beyond the end of the financial year in which payment is made; this amount may be increased with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates of each year, during the life of the related policies, to cover the charges applicable to each such year;

(f) Such sums as may be necessary to enable the Tax Equalization Fund to meet current commitments pending accumulation of credits; such advances shall be repaid as soon as credits are available in the Tax Equalization Fund;

(g) Such sums, not to exceed \$100,000 during the period 1961 to 1964, as may be necessary to finance awards made for the international encouragement of scientific research into the control of cancerous diseases, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 1398 (XIV) of 20 November 1959; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the annual budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund;

5. Should the provisions in paragraph 1 above prove inadequate to meet the purposes normally related to the Working Capital Fund, the Secretary-General is authorized to utilize in 1961, under the conditions approved in resolution 1448 (XIV), cash from special funds and accounts in his custody or to seek short-term loans from Governments or from other available sources.

ANNEX D

DRAFT RESOLUTION RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS UNDER  
THE DRAFT SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind that a Conference of Plenipotentiaries will be convened in January 1961 for the purpose of concluding a Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs,

Having noted with approval the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on administrative arrangements under the Draft Single Convention (A/4603),

1. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit the report of the Advisory Committee to the Conference of Plenipotentiaries;

2. Commends the recommendations of the Advisory Committee to the consideration of the Conference in connexion with the relevant articles of the Draft Single Convention.

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