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BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1953

United Nations Commission for the Unification
and Rehabilitation of Korea

(Revised estimates for section 5 (Investigations and Inquiries))

Thirty-fifth report of the Advisory Committee on
Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the
seventh session of the General Assembly

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered a report by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/534) submitting estimates for the continuance during 1953 of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea (UNCURK), which was established by General Assembly resolution 376 (V) of 7 October 1950.
2. Requirements for 1953 are estimated at \$256,700, as compared with the corresponding 1952 appropriation (including supplementary provision) of \$280,000. In examining the estimates now proposed the Advisory Committee has had regard to the fact that the Repatriation Commission contemplated in the resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 3 December 1952 (A/RESOLUTION 18) would rely for its supporting staff on the re-assignment of UNCURK personnel.
3. On this basis, the Advisory Committee is prepared to recommend an appropriation of \$250,000, representing an increase of \$100,000 by comparison with the 1952 provision. Scope for the slight reduction (\$6,700) in the figure submitted by the Secretary-General (\$256,700) is afforded under a number of expenditure items. In particular, the Committee was informed that the liberal subsistence allowance for staff members will be carefully reviewed at intervals during the year and in the light of actual subsistence costs in the area.

4. The provisional appropriation already recommended by the Advisory Committee^{1/} for section 5 as a whole amounts to \$2 million. The estimates in document A/C/5.534 are the eighth of a series to be submitted as detailed justification for this tentative figure.

1/ A/2157, paragraphs 92-96, Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventh Session, Supplement No. 7.