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### ADDENDUM TO THE FIRST REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINIS-TRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS **TWENTY-THIRD SESSION**

#### Introduction

1. In paragraph 81 of its first report to the General Assembly at its current session,<sup>1</sup> the Advisory Committee stated that, following submission by the Secretary-General of the further data for the sections and chapters for which pro memoria entries had been made in the initial estimates, the Committee would submit to the General Assembly an addendum to its first report, which would contain the recommended texts of the draft resolutions relating to the budget for the financial year 1969.

2. Annexes I, II and III to this document contain the following draft resolutions recommended by the Advisory Committee:

- Draft budget resolutions for the financial year T. 1969;
- Draft resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary II. expenses for the financial year 1969;
- Draft resolution on the Working Capital Fund III. for the financial year 1969.

#### I. Draft budget resolutions for the financial year 1969

3. The draft budget resolutions submitted by the Secretary-General in his budget estimates for the financial year 1969<sup>2</sup> are presented in the same form as the resolutions approved by the General Assembly for the financial year 1968 (resolutions 2363 A, B and C (XXII) of 19 December 1967); draft resolution A covers the budget appropriations for 1969; draft resolution B, the income estimates; and draft resolution C, the financing of appropriations for 1969.

4. The texts of the draft resolutions submitted by the Advisory Committee in annex I are the same as those proposed by the Secretary-General with the following exceptions:

(a) The amounts included reflect the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the expenditure and income sections of the budget, as set out in the Committee's reports to the General Assembly at its twentythird session;

(b) In operative paragraph 3 of draft resolution A, the words "Expanded Programme component" have been amended to read "Technical Assistance component";

(c) A new operative paragraph 3 has been added to draft resolution B to read as follows:

"3. Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, and the sale of publications, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities";

(d) A new sub-paragraph has been added to operative paragraph 1 of draft resolution C, to make provision for contributions of new Member States for the financial years 1967 and 1968.

#### II. Draft resolution on unforeseen and extraoxdinary expenses for the financial year 1969

5. Pursuant to the request contained in operative paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 2370 (XXII) of 19 December 1967, the Advisory Committee has submitted a report on unforeseen and extra-ordinary expenses to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session.<sup>3</sup> In the light of the decision taken by the Fifth Committee at its 1291st meeting to defer until the twenty-fourth session a decision on the recommendations made by the Advisory Committee in its report, the Advisory Committee recommends a draft resolution in respect of unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the financial year 1969 (annex II) in the form proposed by the Secretary-General in his report on the budget estimates for 1969.

6. In connexion with operative paragraph 3, the Committee wishes to repeat its comments contained in its seventh report to the General Assembly at its nineteenth session, in which it observed:

"Paragraph 3 of the draft resolution repeats the provisions of General Assembly resolution 1615 (XV) of 21 April 1961. In this connexion, attention is invited to the report of the Fifth Committee (A/ 4739) in which the resolution was recommended by that Committee. In paragraph 5 of that report, the understanding is stated that the adoption of the draft resolution would, for purposes of Article 20 of the Charter relating to special sessions, be considered as a determination by a majority of the Members of the United Nations that a special session of the General Assembly should be called if the contingency envisaged in the draft resolution should arise and that the Secretary-General would in that event be authorized to act accordingly. If a provision such as that contained in paragraph 3 of the draft resolution above is to become a permanent feature of the budgetary procedures of the Organization, the General Assembly may wish to amend the rules of procedure of the General Assembly relating to the convening of special sessions so as to provide for sessions called for this purpose. In the absence of such amendments, the understanding stated in connexion with resolution 1615 (XV) of 21 April 1961 would continue to apply in the event of the adoption of the draft resolution in the form now presented."4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-third Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/7207). <sup>2</sup>Ibid., Supplement No. 5 (A/7205), vol. I, draft resolution I,

p. XV.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> A/7336.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/5807), para. 95.

#### III. Draft resolution on the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1969

7. The Advisory Committee recommends adoption of the draft resolution on the Working Capital Fund for 1969 (annex III) in the form submitted by the Secretary-General. However, with regard to the SecretaryGeneral's authority to make advances for the purpose of continuing the revolving fund to finance miscellaneous self-liquidating purchases and activities, the Advisory Committee, in paragraph 4 (c) of its text, has recommended a limit of \$150 000, in line with the decision of the General Assembly in operative paragraph 5 (c) of resolution 2365 (XXII).

#### Annexes

#### DRAFT RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

I. Draft budget resolutions for the financial year 1969

Α

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1969

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1969:

1. Appropriations totalling \$US154915250 are hereby voted for the following purposes:

tion	da	United States ollars
Part I. Sessions of the General Assembly, the councils, commissions and committees; special meetings and conferences		
Travel and other expenses of representatives and members of commissions, committees and other subsidiary bodies	1 333 450	
Special meetings and conferences	1 594 400	
Total, part I		2 927 850
Part II. Staff costs and related expenses		
Salaries and wages	68 495 300	
Common staff costs	16 362 000	
Travel of staff	2 182 600	
Payments under annex I, paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Staff Regulations; hospitality	140 000	
Total, part II Part III. Premises, equipment, supplies and services		87 179 900
	E 252 100	
Buildings and improvements to premises Permanent equipment	5 352 100 769 200	
Maintenance, operation and rental of premises	4 765 000	
General expenses	6 073 800	
Printing	1 692 000	
		18 652 100
Part IV. Special expenses TOTAL, part III		18 052 100
Special expenses	9 215 500	
Total, part IV		9 215 500
Part V. Technical programmes		
Economic development, social development and public administration	5 113 600	
Industrial development	1 500 000	
Human rights advisory services	220 000	
Narcotic drugs control	75 000	
Total, part V		6 908 600
Part VI. Special missions and related activities		
Special missions	6 786 700	
TOTAL, part VI		6 <b>7</b> 86 700
Part VII. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees		
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	3 829 200	
TOTAL, part VII		3 829 200
Part VIII. International Court of Justice		
International Court of Justice	1 396 000	
International Court of Justice		

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#### I. Draft budget resolutions for the financial year 1969

A (continued)

Section		Amount in United States dollars	
Part IX. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development 20. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	8 326 200		
TOTAL, part IX		8 326 200	
Part X. United Nations Industrial Development Organisation 21. United Nations Industrial Development Organization	9 693 200		
Total, part X		9 693 200	
GRAND TOTAL		154 915 250	

2. The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. The appropriations for technical assistance programmes under part V shall be administered in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, except that the definition of obligations and the period of validity of obligations shall be in accordance with the procedures and practices established for the Technical Assistance component of the United Nations Development Programme;

4. The provisions under sections 1, 3, 5 and 11, in a total amount of \$252 300 relating to the International Narcotics Control Board, shall be administered as a unit;

5. The provisions under sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 10, in a total amount of \$632,700 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;

6. In addition to the appropriations voted under paragraph 1 above, an amount of \$19 000 is appropriated from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps, and library equipment and for 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 1969

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1969:

1. Estimates of income other than assessments on Member States totalling \$27 220 240 are approved as follows:

Income section		Amount in United States dollars	
Part I. Income from staff assessment	17 985 000		
1. Staff assessment income		17 985 000	
Part II. Other income			
<ol> <li>Funds provided from extra-budgetary accounts</li> <li>General income</li> <li>Revenue-producing activities</li> </ol>	2 704 790 3 298 250 3 232 200		
TOTAL, part II		9 235 240	
GRAND TOTAL		27 220 240	

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, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.

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FINANCING OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1969

#### The General Assembly

*Resolves* that for the financial year 1969:

1. Budget appropriations totalling \$154 915 250 together with supplementary appropriations for 1968 totalling ......\* shall be financed in accordance with regulations 5.1 and 5.2 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations as follows:

\* To be determined by the General Assembly at its twenty-third session.

#### III. Draft resolution on the Working Capital Fund

(a) As to \$9 235 240, by income other than staff assessment approved under part B of this resolution;

(b) As to \$3 280 256, by the amount available in the surplus account for the financial year 1967;

(c) As to \$76 587, by contributions of new Member States for the financial years 1967 and 1968;

(d) As to  $\ldots a^{a}$  by the revised income other than staff assessment for 1968;

(e) As to .....,<sup>a</sup> by assessment on Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2291 (XXII) of 8 December 1967 on the scale of assessments for the financial years 1968, 1969 and 1970;

2. There shall be set off against the assessment on Member States, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, their respective shares in the Tax Equalization Fund in a total amount of \$18299012 comprising:

(a) \$17 985 000, being the estimated staff assessment income for 1969;

(b) \$181712, being the excess of actual income over the approved estimated income from staff assessment for 1967;

(c) \$132 300, being the increase in the revised income from staff assessment for 1968.

## II. Draft resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the financial year 1969

#### The General Assembly,

1. Authorizes 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 and the provisions of paragraph 3 below, to enter into commitments to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses in the financial year 1969, provided that the concurrence of the Advisory Committee shall not be necessary for:

(a) Such commitments, not exceeding a total of \$US2 million, as the Secretary-General certifies relate to the maintenance of peace and security;

(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 of the Court, Article 31), not exceeding a total of \$48000;
- (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 \$25000;

 (iii) The holding of sessions of the Court away from The Hague (Statute, Article 22), not exceeding a total of \$75 000;

2. Resolves that the Secretary-General shall report to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth 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 respect of such commitments;

3. Decides that if, as a result of a decision of the Security Council, commitments relating to the maintenance of peace and security should arise in an estimated total exceeding \$10 million before the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly, a special session of the Assembly shall be convened by the Secretary-General to consider the matter.

#### III. Draft resolution on the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1969

#### The General Assembly

Resolves that:

1. The Working Capital Fund shall be established for the year ending 31 December 1969 in the amount of \$US 40 million;

2. Member States shall make advances to the Working Capital Fund in accordance with the scale adopted by the General Assembly for contributions of members to the budget for the financial year 1969;

3. There shall be set off against this allocation of advances: (a) Credits to Members resulting from transfers made in 1959 and 1960 from surplus account to the Working Capital Fund in a total amount of \$1 079 158;

(b) Cash advances paid by Members to the Working Capital Fund for the financial year 1968 under General Assembly resolution 2365 (XXII) of 19 December 1967;

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 the 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 resolutions adopted by the General Assembly, in particular resolution ... (XXIII) of ... December 1968 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 \$150 000, to continue the revolving fund to finance miscellaneous self-liquidating purchases and activities; advances in excess of the total of \$150 000 may be made with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(d) With the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Bucgetary Questions, such sums 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; 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;

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

5. Should the provision 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 1969, cash from special funds and accounts in his custody, under the conditions approved in General Assembly resolution 1341 (XIII) of 13 December 1958, or the proceeds of loans authorized by the Assembly.

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