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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED ON THE REPORT OF THE JOINT SECOND AND THIRD COMMITTEE AND THE FIFTH COMMITTEE, MEETING JOINTLY

411 (V). Administrative budgets of the specialized agencies

The General Assembly,

Having received the sixth report¹ of 1950 of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the budgets of the specialized agencies for 1951,

1. *Urges* the specialized agencies to intensify their efforts to stabilize their regular budgets by the elimination or deferment of less urgent projects;

2. *Draws* the attention of all States Members of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies to the necessity for prompt payment of contributions to assure the adequate financing of budgets approved by them;

3. *Requests* specialized agencies participating in the technical assistance programme to provide information concerning the estimates for expenditure of technical assistance funds, as well as other extra-budgetary funds, in their regular budget documents, and to agree to the transmittal to the General Assembly of the United Nations, for examination and approval, of the audit reports relating to expenditure of technical assistance funds allocated from the Special Account after approval of the appropriate audit reports by the general conferences of the specialized agencies;

4. *Requests* the specialized agencies to consider at an early date the adoption of common financial regulations and staff regulations modelled on those adopted by the General Assembly, so far as their constitutional arrangements will permit;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the heads of the specialized agencies, to pay particular attention, in 1951, to the further development of satisfactory arrangements for the provision of common services, particularly in respect of regional and branch offices of the United Nations and specialized agencies, with a view to achieving greater efficiency and economy;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, after consultation with the heads of the specialized agencies and with the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, to report to the next regular session of the General Assembly in respect of progress made in achieving a common salary system, in developing common budgetary policies and a common form of budget, in increasing the utilization of soft currencies, in effi-

ciencies and economies to be achieved through further development of common services, and in dealing with arrears in contributions;

7. *Requests* the specialized agencies and the United Nations to make every effort, during 1951, to meet as fully as possible demands for expert assistance in Korea and other operational programmes where the need is urgent, by deferment of less urgent projects.

*314th plenary meeting,
1 December 1950.*

412 (V). Utilization of the services of the United Nations Investments Committee by specialized agencies

The General Assembly,

Noting that certain specialized agencies may require advice on the nature and extent of investment of their funds,

1. *Authorizes* the United Nations Investments Committee to provide advice to a specialized agency at the request of that agency;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to inform the specialized agencies that the United Nations Investments Committee is available for this purpose.

*314th plenary meeting,
1 December 1950.*

413 (V). Concentration of effort and resources

The General Assembly,

Recalling its responsibilities under Article 17, paragraph 3, and Article 58 of the Charter,

Recalling its resolution 310 (IV) declaring that the resources devoted to the economic and social work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies should be concentrated on tasks of primary importance,

Taking note of the work of the Economic and Social Council at its eleventh session² in determining criteria for establishing priorities within the fields allotted to the various bodies composing and associated with the United Nations,

Recognizing that the successful carrying out of the economic and social work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies may be jeopardized by undertak-

¹ See document A/1441.

² See Economic and Social Council resolution 324 (XI).