

designated in article XXIX in a manner acceptable to the Joint Staff Pension Board.

"3. If repayment in accordance with paragraph 2 above is not made, his prior contributory service credit shall not be restored, and

"(a) The lump sum which is the actuarial equivalent of any discontinued benefit at the date upon which payments were discontinued shall be credited as a voluntary deposit in accordance with the provisions of article XVIII, paragraphs 2 and 3; and

"(b) The total benefits paid or payable to him in respect of two or more periods of employment shall not exceed the benefits he would have received had all his employment been continuous."

Article XVIII

(Voluntary deposits by participants)

Replace the present text by the following:

"1. In addition to the contributions deducted from the remuneration of a participant as provided in article XVI, any participant may, subject to the approval of the Joint Staff Pension Board and under such conditions as the Board may prescribe, deposit in the Pension Fund, in a lump sum or sums and/or by an increased rate of contribution, an amount computed to be sufficient to purchase an additional retirement benefit which, together with his prospective regular retirement benefit as provided herein, will provide for him a total retirement benefit not to exceed 60 per cent of his final average remuneration at the age of retirement. Interest at such rates as may be set from time to time by the Board shall be allowed on such contributions.

"2. Such additional amounts, together with interest thereon, shall be credited to the participant's individual account in the Pension Fund and shall be used to provide him with an additional benefit, commencing at the same time as any regular benefit to which he may become entitled under the present Regulations, or upon his death prior to such commencement, to provide a benefit to a survivor designated therefor by the participant. The additional benefit shall be payable in one of the following actuarial equivalent forms to be elected by the participant or, in the absence of such election, by the survivor so designated:

"(a) An amount equal to such additional deposits payable in a single sum or in instalments together with interest thereon to the date of payment;

"(b) An annuity payable for life with no further payments after death;

"(c) A reduced annuity payable for life, with a provision that upon the annuitant's death one-half of such annuity shall be continued to, and during the life of, a survivor designated therefor by the annuitant at the time of the commencement of the annuity;

"(d) A reduced annuity payable for life, with a guarantee that the total benefits paid on account of such additional deposits shall not be less than the amounts credited at the time of the commencement of the annuity;

in the event that the participant has made no designation of a survivor to receive such additional benefit, or if such person does not survive him, the lump sum provided under subparagraph (a) above shall be paid to the participant's estate.

"3. Should a former participant whose annuity has commenced under the provision of the present article be restored to participation, his annuity shall cease and the lump sum which is the actuarial equivalent of such discontinued annuity shall be credited to his individual account under the present article, provided, however, that no value shall be included in such lump sum for the contingent annuity of a survivor designated under paragraph 2 (c) above unless the participant submits evidence of such person's survival in good health.

"4. A participant who elected, and had been authorized, to make voluntary deposits under the present article may cease making such deposits at any time, but in no case shall sums once deposited be refunded to him before he has ceased to be a participant."

Article XXII

(Joint Staff Pension Board)

Replace the present text by the following:

"1. The Joint Staff Pension Board shall consist of twenty-one members:

"(a) Six members appointed by the United Nations Staff Pension Committee, two from the members elected by the General Assembly, two from the members appointed by the Secretary-General, and two from the members elected by the participants; and

"(b) Fifteen members appointed by the staff pension committees of the other member organizations in accordance with a table fixed by the administrative rules of the Fund which shall provide for equal representation of the three groups referred to in article XX.

"2. The Board may appoint a standing committee, which will act on its behalf when the Board is not in session."

Supplementary article B

(Associate participation)

Delete.

Supplementary article C

(The International Atomic Energy Agency)

The present text becomes supplementary article B.

1851 (XVII). Pattern of conferences

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences¹³ and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on that subject,¹⁴

1. *Decides* to continue for a further period of one year, until 31 December 1963, the pattern of conferences established in its resolution 1202 (XII) of 13 December 1957;

2. *Amends* sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) of paragraph 2 of that resolution to read as follows:

"(c) The regular sessions of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Economic Commission for Africa, as well as meetings of their subsidiary bodies, may be held away from their headquarters when the commission concerned so decides, subject, in the case of regular sessions of the commissions, to the approval of the Economic and Social Council and of the General Assembly;

"(d) The annual session of the International Law Commission would be held in Geneva;"

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the competent organs the importance and urgency of the measures outlined in paragraph 11 of his report, as well as the need for moderation on their part in fixing their programmes of meetings in New York for 1964, in view of the major reconstruction work to be carried out at Headquarters.

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19 December 1962.*

1852 (XVII). Geographical distribution of the staff of the Secretariat

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 153 (II) of 15 November 1947 and 1559 (XV) of 18 December 1960, and the

¹³ *Ibid.*, agenda item 65, document A/5317.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, para. 14.

report of the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session,¹⁵

Recognizing that the principle of an equitable geographical distribution in the composition of the Secretariat does not conflict with the paramount considerations of employment of staff, namely, the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity as laid down in Article 101, paragraph 3, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General¹⁶ and the improvements that have taken place in the geographical distribution of the staff,

Recognizing that significant imbalances in the geographical distribution of the staff of the Secretariat continue to exist,

Recognizing further the necessity of correcting these imbalances as early as possible,

1. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General should be guided in his efforts to achieve a more equitable geographical distribution, within the general framework of his report, by the following principles and factors:

(a) In the recruitment of all staff, due regard shall be paid to securing as wide a geographical distribution as possible;

(b) In the Secretariat proper, an equitable geographical distribution should take into account the fact of membership, Members' contributions and their populations as outlined in the Secretary-General's report, particularly paragraph 69 (b) thereof; no Member State should be considered "over-represented" if it has no more than five of its nationals on the staff by virtue of its membership;

(c) The relative importance of posts at different levels;

(d) The need for a more balanced regional composition of the staff at levels of D-1 and above;

(e) In career appointments, particular account should be taken of the need to reduce "under-representation";

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to review periodically the geographical distribution of the staffs of the Technical Assistance Board, the Special Fund and the United Nations Children's Fund, and to report annually to the General Assembly on this matter;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its eighteenth session on the progress achieved in the geographical distribution of the staff of the Secretariat.

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1853 (XVII). United Nations International School

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General, together with the report of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations International School,¹⁷ and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on this subject,¹⁸

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, Sixteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 64, document A/5063.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, Seventeenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 70, document A/5270.

¹⁷ *Ibid.*, agenda item 72, document A/5308.

¹⁸ *Ibid.*, document A/5319.

Noting the action taken by the Secretary-General and the Board of Trustees to locate a permanent site for the School, to raise funds from voluntary sources to acquire the site, and to build the new School,

Noting further the progress made in reducing the operating deficit of the School,

Noting also the increasing number of applications for admission to the School and its role in the recruitment and retention of qualified personnel for the United Nations,

Recalling its resolution 1439 (XIV) of 5 December 1959 by which the General Assembly decided to contribute to the International School Fund for a period of five years such continuing financial assistance as the Assembly might consider necessary, and its subsequent resolutions 1591 (XV) of 20 December 1960 and 1727 (XVI) of 20 December 1961 by which it contributed grants to liquidate the operational deficit and to begin planning for the permanent accommodation of the School,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Mayor and the City of New York for their continuing co-operation in the location of a permanent site for the United Nations International School and in extending the availability of the present temporary premises;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to use his good offices to assist the Board of Trustees in raising from voluntary sources the additional funds required for the construction of the School and the creation of an endowment fund;

3. *Decides* to contribute \$50,000 to the International School Fund towards liquidating the operational deficit anticipated for the current school year;

4. *Decides* to contribute \$20,000 to the International School Fund for the purpose of forwarding plans for the permanent accommodation of the School.

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1854 (XVII). Administrative and budgetary procedures of the United Nations

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The General Assembly,

Having regard to resolution 1731 (XVI) of 20 December 1961, in which the General Assembly recognized its need for authoritative legal guidance as to obligations of Member States under the Charter of the United Nations in the matter of financing the United Nations operations in the Congo and in the Middle East,

Recalling the question submitted to the International Court of Justice in that resolution,

Having received the Court's advisory opinion of 20 July 1962,¹⁹ transmitted to the General Assembly by the Secretary-General,²⁰ that the expenditures authorized in the General Assembly resolutions designated in resolution 1731 (XVI) constitute "expenses of the Organization" within the meaning of Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter,

¹⁹ *Certain expenses of the United Nations (Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter), Advisory Opinion of 20 July 1962: I.C.J. Reports, p. 151.*

²⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventeenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 64, document A/5161.*