

5. 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.

2030th plenary meeting,
21 December 1971.

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INCOME ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1971

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the financial year 1971:

1. The estimates of income approved by its resolution 2738 B (XXV) of 17 December 1970 shall be revised as follows:

	<i>Estimate approved by resolution 2738 B (XXV)</i>	<i>Increase or (decrease)</i>	<i>Revised estimate</i>
<i>(US dollars)</i>			
<i>Income section</i>			
PART I. Income from staff assessment			
1. Income from staff assessment	21,663,000	637,000	22,300,000
TOTAL, PART I	21,663,000	637,000	22,300,000
PART II. Other income			
2. Funds provided from extra-budgetary accounts	2,436,400	139,000	2,575,400
3. General income	4,755,400	65,500	4,820,900
4. Revenue-producing activities	2,922,200	(363,000)	2,559,200
TOTAL, PART II	10,114,000	(158,500)	9,955,500
GRAND TOTAL	31,777,000	478,500	32,255,500

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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2883 (XXVI). Confirmation of the appointments made by the Secretary-General to fill vacancies in the membership of the Investments Committee

The General Assembly

Confirms the appointment by the Secretary-General of the following persons as members of the Investments Committee as from 1 January 1972:

(a) For a one-year term:

Mr. Jean Guyot;

(b) For a three-year term:

Mr. Eugene Black,

The Honourable David Montagu.

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The Investments Committee will therefore be composed as follows: Mr. Eugene BLACK, Mr. Roger DE CANDOLLE, Mr. Jean GUYOT, the Honourable David MONTAGU, Mr. George A. MURPHY and Mr. B. K. NEHRU.

2884 (XXVI). Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on general co-ordination matters,²¹ on the administrative budgets of the agencies for 1972²² and on the review of the administrative and management procedures concerning the programme and budget of the International Atomic Energy Agency;²³

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to refer the report on general co-ordination matters to the executive heads of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency through the consultative machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, as well as to the members of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination for their information and comment, and to the members of the Board of Auditors and of the Joint Inspection Unit for their information;

²¹ A/8490.

²² A/8538.

²³ A/8447/Rev.1.

3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to refer to the executive heads of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency the observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in chapter III of its report on the administrative budgets of the agencies for 1972;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the report on the review of the administrative and management procedures concerning the programme and budget of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the Director-General of that organization so that the report may be brought to the attention of the Board of Governors of the Agency.

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21 December 1971.

2885 (XXVI). Standardization of the financial regulations governing external audit and amendments to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the standardization of the financial regulations governing external audit²⁴ and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²⁵ thereon,

Decides that, with effect from 1 January 1972, article XII of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, dealing with external audit, as well as the annex to the Financial Regulations, containing the principles to govern the audit procedures of the United Nations, shall be amended as set forth in the annex to the present resolution.

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21 December 1971.

ANNEX

Amendments to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations

1. Article XII of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations shall be amended to read as follows:

"ARTICLE XII. EXTERNAL AUDIT

"Appointment of a Board of Auditors

"Regulation 12.1: The General Assembly shall appoint a Board of Auditors to perform the audit of the accounts of the United Nations. This Board shall consist of three members, each of whom shall be the Auditor-General (or officer holding the equivalent title) of a Member State.

"Tenure of office of the members of the Board of Auditors

"Regulation 12.2: The members of the Board of Auditors shall be elected for a three-year term of office. The term of office shall commence on 1 July and expire on 30 June three years subsequent thereto. The term of office of one of the members shall expire each year. Consequently, the General Assembly shall elect each year a member to take office from 1 July of the following year.

"Regulation 12.3: If a member of the Board of Auditors ceases to hold office as Auditor-General (or equivalent title) in his own country, his tenure of office shall thereupon be terminated and he shall be succeeded as a member of the

Board by his successor as Auditor-General. A Board member may not otherwise be removed during his tenure of office except by the General Assembly.

"Scope of audit

"Regulation 12.4: The audit shall be conducted in conformity with generally accepted common auditing standards and, subject to any special directions of the General Assembly, in accordance with the additional terms of reference set out in the annex to the present Regulations.

"Regulation 12.5: The Board of Auditors may make observations with respect to the efficiency of the financial procedures, the accounting system, the internal financial controls and, in general, the administration and management of the Organization.

"Regulation 12.6: The Board of Auditors shall be completely independent and solely responsible for the conduct of the audit.

"Regulation 12.7: The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions may request the Board of Auditors to perform certain specific examinations and issue separate reports on the results.

"Facilities

"Regulation 12.8: The Secretary-General shall provide the Board of Auditors with the facilities it may require in the performance of the audit.

"Regulation 12.9: For the purpose of making a local or special examination or of effecting economies in the audit cost, the Board of Auditors may engage the services of any national Auditor-General (or equivalent title) or commercial public auditors of known repute, or any other person or firm who, in the opinion of the Board, is technically qualified.

"Reporting

"Regulation 12.10: The Board of Auditors shall issue a report on the audit of the financial statements and relevant schedules, which shall include such information as the Board deems necessary with regard to matters referred to in regulation 12.5 and in the additional terms of reference.

"Regulation 12.11: The reports of the Board of Auditors shall be transmitted to the General Assembly through the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, together with the audited financial statements, in accordance with any directions given by the Assembly. The Advisory Committee shall examine the financial statements and the audit reports and shall forward them to the Assembly with such comments as it deems appropriate.

"Audit assignment allocation

"Regulation 12.12: The Board of Auditors shall, subject to the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, allocate and rotate the audit work among the members of the Board."

2. The annex to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations shall be amended to read as follows:

"ANNEX TO THE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

"Additional terms of reference governing the audit of the United Nations

"1. The Board of Auditors shall perform jointly and severally such audit of the accounts of the United Nations, including all trust funds and special accounts, as it deems necessary in order to satisfy itself:

"(a) That the financial statements are in accord with the books and records of the Organization;

"(b) That the financial transactions reflected in the statements have been in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, the budgetary provisions and other applicable directives;

"(c) That the securities and moneys on deposit and on hand have been verified by certificate received direct from the Organization's depositaries or by actual count;

²⁴ A/C.5/1375.

²⁵ A/8482.