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SENT 1716 FJ

ECA 55/04

20 May 1948

Dear Gilbert:

I am sending you the latest information on the following questions:

1. Implementation of ECOSOC resolutions.

This was a very sad story. First it took Bolton's office about a week to check the material sent from our office and when everything was ready Waldo Chamberlin vetoed the production part, saying that it was unnecessary to reproduce a 30-page document which contained nothing but material which had been four times distributed to all Member governments. The wrangle about the final form of the document to be sent to governments lasted for another week. Martin Hill overruled Chamberlin's decision, but finally Waldo had his way as he simply refused to do the job, and Martin Hill decided that overriding discretion should be exercised in really important and no doubt quite rare cases, and finally ~~he~~ withdrew his request in view of the very heavy work load in the Documents Office. ~~W. Bolton~~ After consultation with Jackson, ~~that~~ Martin Hill decided that the annex to the letter should consist only of the list of the relevant resolutions.

After the whole thing had been printed, I discovered a serious typing error in the form, which means that the 17 May which appears on the first page of the letter with the annex which is being sent to you was not true. It will be changed to 21 May.

2. Work Programmes.

The deadline for handing in of the work programmes by Divisions is 1 June. The work is in progress.

3. Financial estimates.

I am sending you a copy of the financial estimate on the Report of the Commission on the Status of Women, as requested.

Julia Henderson and Coidan are working on a memorandum to Mr. Price which, after embodying Price's decisions, they intend to put out as a paper to the Council. This document is consequential to the debate in the sixth session of the Council (Mr. Phillips' and Mr. Tange's statements (E/SR.173, 174)). The main points are (a) relative urgency of items submitted; (b) method of showing projects under study by the Secretariat following previous decisions of the Council - in order to show an overall priority and allow the Council to speed up, slow down, or postpone projects already initiated.

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(c) the total and extra cost for each project.

I told Green about it. He was extremely interested in seeing the draft before it goes to Price. Coidan promised me also a copy of the draft so that I will airmail it to you as soon as possible for comments.

4. State of preparedness of documentation for the seventh session. A paper has been sent you which might help you to have an overall insight about the state of preparedness of the documentation for the seventh session. All the dates must be regarded as tentative, but they are nevertheless helpful. Could I have any comments on the problems involved, and I will continue sending you periodically the latest information on documents coming out.

I hope you are not working too hard and that you will enjoy both Geneva and London.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Alex. Messing

Mr. G. E. Yates
Palais des Nations
Geneva, Switzerland

ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN FOR THE THIRD SESSION of ECAFE

A. GENERAL :

The Third Session will convene at Ootacamund on 1 June. It may be attended by delegations from twelve Member countries and six plus possibly two new Associate Member countries and by four plus four Specialized Agencies, and two or more observers. These delegations, together with their advisors and secretaries, should total between 125 and 150.

The Secretariat members travelling from the temporary offices in Shanghai for the purpose of the session will be between 20 and 22. They will require to be reinforced by 28 local recruits for the technical services of the session.

Depending upon the layout of the conference site, between 15 and 30 motor vehicles will be required together with drivers, the ECAFE budget only providing for six. This budget has no provision for security guards or other outside staff who may be necessary in the conference area.

The Session Hall should be large enough to accommodate 350 people including a U-shaped conference table to seat between 45 and 50 members including 7 seats at the head of the table which should preferably be raised. In addition, there will be required desks in the centre of the room for the interpreters, preciswriters and press officers - a total of 8 persons.

Two Committee Rooms, each large enough to accommodate 40 to 50 persons, will be required with tables to seat 20, and a Delegates' lounge including a convenient office for the distribution of documents.

The Secretariat will require approximately 6 single offices for senior officials ; three larger offices for financial administration, translation and precis writing ; plus a large room for typing, mimeographing and collating of documents.

A minimum provision should be made for 12 Delegation offices.

It is presumed that there will be a public address system in the conference area with individual microphones at every other seat at the table and that adequate telephone equipment will be available.

Outside facilities which should be located convenient to the conference site are a cable office, a post office, a car park, a luncheon room and a first-aid station.

A press room should be provided with accommodation and facilities adequate for the number who might be expected to be present.

During the Third Session the temporary offices of the Commission at Shanghai will remain open and it may be assumed that whatever decision is taken as to the recommendation of the Economic and Social Council regarding the temporary HQ of the Commission, the staff will initially return to Shanghai at the conclusion of the Third Session. Shanghai will remain the temporary offices of the Commission, files and records will be maintained there, only a minimum amount of day-to-day work being done at the conference site.

Copies of all letters and cables written from the conference site will be sent to Shanghai, one extra copy being retained for the day file in Ootacamund. All letters and cables estimated to arrive from HQ later than 17 May should be sent to Ootacamund. Arrangements will be made for any important papers received in Shanghai to be sent on to Ootacamund.

It will be necessary to establish deadlines for the completion and translation of Commission documents and to obtain an estimate as to the number of pages which require to be reproduced.

Deadlines are as follows :

May 5 for reproduction and circulation by 10 May from Shanghai.

This is the latest date papers can be sent to Governments in time for them to brief their Delegates to the Session.

May 17 for reproduction and circulation from Ootacamund by 28 May.

This is the latest date on which complete sets of Session documents can be assembled for the opening day.

B. TRANSPORTATION :

It is difficult to arrange direct shipping from Shanghai to either Madras or Calcutta without trans-shipment with the inevitable risk of delay or detention. Documents and office supplies from Shanghai should be kept to an absolute minimum

since they will probably have to be moved by air freight or as staff members' luggage. Office equipment must be found from Indian sources ; necessary document production supplies have already been shipped from New York direct to the site.

The deadline for air freight is 10 May.

It has been assumed that the duplicating machines available are gestetners and it is important that this be confirmed since this type of stencils has been ordered from New York.

In view of the temporary offices remaining in Shanghai, it will not be necessary to move records other than those immediately required for conference work. These files should be segregated from the central filing as early as possible.

Appendix A : Equipment which must be made available from Indian sources for use in the Session Hall, Committee Rooms, Delegations and Secretariat Offices.

Appendix B : Documents and supplies which it may be necessary to send by air freight from Shanghai.

Appendix C : Document production supplies which have been sent direct by sea from New York, addressed to ECAFE, Government House, Ootacamund.

Staff would fly from Shanghai to Calcutta and there change to an internal air service to Bangalore or Madras thence by overnight train to Metapallium and, finally, by car (2 hours). There is a possible alternative route via Singapore and Colombo.

Three days would be allowed for travel to the conference, the staff being considered to be in travel status from Shanghai.

C. STAFF:

The names of staff members whom it is proposed should travel to the conference area and their duties during the conference, are shown at Appendix D, together with the estimated date of their departure from Shanghai.

C. Local recruits and the work they will be required to do is shown at Appendix E.

A number of staff members will either be returning to HQ, or going on leave, etc. immediately after the conference. The predicted movement programme is attached at Appendix F.

D. DOCUMENT PRODUCTION:

<u>Document</u>	<u>Receipt Deadline</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>English</u> :: <u>French</u>	<u>Pages</u>
Agenda	9 April	Sh	10 April 10 April	1
Admission of Associate Members	19 April	Sh	24 April 27 April	2
Industrial Development Report	5 May	Sh	10 May 10 May	60
Plan Summaries	14 May	0	24 May	200
Technical Training	17 May	0	24 May 29 May	60
Trade Promotion	20 April	Sh	27 April 5 May	60
FAO matters	1 May	Sh	5 May 10 May	40
Cereal Prices	12 April	Sh	19 April 24 April	8
Economic Organization for Commissioner-General	19 April	Sh	26 April 30 April	6
Statistical Economic Documents	24 May	0	29 May 31 May	30
Economic Survey	24 May	0	31 May	300
Transport	17 May	0	24 May 31 May	10
Flood Control	20 May	0	31 May 31 May	20
Site HQ	19 April	Sh	24 April 27 April	2
total : Shanghai 177 pages				
Ootacamund 620 pages				

E. ADVANCE PARTY :

It is essential that a strong advance party should travel to the conference site well in advance of the opening date of the Session, more especially as there will be a considerable volume of document production to be done at Ootacamund, since this will allow a very considerable saving in air freight and also more time for completion of papers.

Mr. S.Y. Wong will leave for Madras and Ootacamund on 20 April being followed by the Document Production and Translation Sections on 10 May. Document production is planned to begin at Ootacamund on 17 May.

The Executive Secretary and his Executive Assistant plan to leave Shanghai on 17 May, when the temporary offices there will remain open and in charge of an Administrative Assistant.

The cable address of ECAFE Ootacamund will be registered from 1 May; All outgoing messages will be in a separate series from that used in Shanghai and the Cable Section at HQ will be similarly requested to make use of a separate series in numbering all cables to Ootacamund.

APPENDIX A

Equipment which should be made available from Indian Sources for the use in the Session Hall, Committee Rooms, Delegation and Secretariat Offices.

Usual equipment for Conference Room for 40 to 45 Members and 5 Secretariat in addition to interpreters, precis writers and Press Officers.

Usual equipment for two Committee Rooms each capable of seating 40 to 50 Members with a minimum of 22 seats at a table.

Equipment for delegates' lounge, including 4 writing desks, 20 to 30 easy chairs with tables, etc. Adjoining small office for distribution of document equipment with a rack of 48-pigeonholes for documents and correspondence.

Usual office supplies for 15 Delegation offices and 9 Secretariat offices and Press Room; letterhead paper will be provided.

Equipment for the document production room and typing pool and general offices:-

- 24 English typewriters - Underwood or Remington Elite type
- 2 " " - 26"
- 3 French
- 3 Electric gestetner (Note: must be gestetner) mimeograph machines
- 1 Hand gestetner mimeograph machine

Blue paper for production of official documents will be provided.

APPENDIX B

Documents and Supplies which it may be necessary
to send by Air Freight from Shanghai

100 Sets made up of all Documents issued for Session

30 " of Second Session Documents

3 " " First " "

Files dealing with current substantive matters

" " " " conference "

" " " " communications with Governments and
Members

" " " " relations with Specialized Agencies

" " " " Credentials

Reports ECOSOC 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Sessions

ECOSOC Report to General Assembly

Selected Documents - Economic Development Transport and
Communications

Economic and Employment Commission

Minimum Basic Material from Library

Stencils of current documents

Yellow, blue and letterhead envelopes

Flags, etc. Name Blocks

APPENDIX C

Document Production Supplies sent direct by Sea
from New York addressed to ECAFE, Government House,
Ootacamund.

120	reams	Masthead
750	"	Mimeographs
100	quires	Stencils - Hestetner
100	"	File Folders
200	pints	Duplicating ink
1000		Manila file folders
12	jars	Cleaning cream
24		Blotter
100		Blotting paper
250		Kraft envelopes 10" x 15"
12	Bottles	Correction fluid gestetner

APPENDICES D, E AND F

refer to individual staff required and
movements programme.

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE FAR EAST

NOTE FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DELEGATES
ATTENDING THE THIRD SESSION OF THE ECAFE

1. GENERAL :

The Third Session of the ECAFE has been convened to assemble on 1 June at Ootacamund, Province of Madras, India. It will be opened by the Honourable Pandit Nehru, Prime Minister of the Dominion of India at 3.00 p.M. on that date.

2. TRANSPORT TO OOTACAMUND :

<u>Air India</u>	Bombay 0830	1315
	Madras 1340 daily	1705 Sun, Tue, Thu, Fri, St.
	Colombo 0760	
	Madras 0940 daily	

<u>Airways India</u>	Calcutta 0700	
	Madras 1340	Sun, Mon, Tue, Thr, Fri, Sat.

<u>Deccan Airways</u>	Delhi	0700
	Madras	1630 daily

<u>Air India</u>	Madras	0715
	Coimbatore	0950 daily except Sundays.

From Madras there is a train with sleepers daily to Coimbatore.

From Bangalore there are several trains daily to Coimbatore, or transport can be arranged by car;

From Coimbatore to Ootacamund transport will be arranged by car (2 hours).

A special charter aeroplane service will be arranged between Madras and Coimbatore from 29 May, the last plane leaving on the morning of 1 June. (Transport by car will be arranged from Coimbatore to Ootacamund).

3. RECEPTION IN COIMBATORE :

A reception desk will be maintained by the United Nations Secretariat at :

(A) Coimbatore airport

(B) Telephone at Coimbatore from Saturday, 29 May, until noon on Tuesday, 1 June.

This reception desk should be contacted immediately upon arrival at Coimbatore when arrangements can be made for delegates' transport to Ootacamund.

20 May 1948

SUMMARY RECORDS SIXTH SESSION ECOSOC

Cabled to you on 20 May :

"OVERALL AVERAGE NUMBER PAGES ENGLISH SUMMARY RECORDS SIXTH SESSION
FIFTEEN AVERAGE PLENARY EIGHTEEN AVERAGE ALL COMMITTEES TOGETHER TWELVE."

	<u>Number of meetings</u>	<u>Number of pages for summary records</u>
Plenary meetings	52	936
Social Committee	20	260
Economic Committee	10	170
Coordination Committee	8	96
Agenda Committee	2	7
Programme of meetings	1	7
NGO Committee	5	8

- 1) Overall average : 15 pages (1533 pages)
(98 meetings)
- 2) Average plenary : 18 pages (936 pages)
(52 meetings)
- 3) Average all committees
together : 12 pages (587 pages)
(46 meetings)

The above figures do not include Corrigenda. As an average there is
usually
at least one corrigendum for each summary record/ not over one page.

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1. I HAVE AIRMAILED

(A) DRAFT OF NOTE BY PRESIDENT ON REPORT OF ECOSOC TO ASSEMBLY

16 MAY

(B) COMMENTS ON RENOUEFS FIRST DRAFT OF RULES FOR CALLING INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, 18 MAY

(C) MINUTE RE CONSULTATION WITH WHO REGARDING PERMANENT HEAD-QUARTERS SITE, 19 MAY.

2. PLEASE AIRMAIL ME

(A) FINANCIAL ESTIMATE RELATING REMAINING PART REPORT COMMISSION STATUS WOMEN, AND OTHERS AS READY

(B) COPY KEEN'S "ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN" FOR ECAFE

(C) COPY LETTER AS SENT TO GOVERNMENTS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

(D) COPIES LETTERS SENT TO VARIOUS SPECIALIZED AGENCIES COMMUNICATING RESOLUTIONS SIXTH SESSION ECOSOC AFFECTING OUR AGENCY

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Mr. Inman

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Télégrammes : NATIONS, GENEVE

Téléphone : 2 80 00

Palais des Nations
GENEVE

REF. NO :

4 June 1948.

Dear Georges and Alex,

Your letter of 31 May has just arrived, after the dispatch of my letter and teleprinter messages of today's date.

In the meantime, you will have received comments from me on the questions of the Report of the Council to the General Assembly and the calendar of conferences for 1949.

I have the following comments on other questions raised in your letter.

Financial estimates on remaining parts of the Report on the Status of Women.

I have no comments on the draft paper and it should issue. You can issue estimates on subsequent commission reports without prior reference to me.

Implementation of ECOSOC Recommendations.

I agree that we ^{can do} need an editorial job; but divisions should be preparing now the material already received from governments which need not, according to the terms of our letter, be included in their replies.

Draft Rules for calling of International Conferences.

I would like to see a draft of this incorporating agreed amendments, etc., before issue.

Rules of Procedure.

I am afraid I have very numerous comments on the first draft and also on some points that arise outside the draft. I think we may need several drafts before this paper is ready to issue, and I want to see the final draft. I will send on my own comments as soon as possible.

Secretary-General's Report regarding form and character of commission reports.

I have some ^{notions} ~~notes~~ about this, and am prepared to do ~~the~~ draft to be used as a chopping-block, when I have seen a note of the Directors' Meeting at which it was discussed.

Trusteeship Questionnaire.

I agree generally, but you might consider with Nessim, Dell, Miss Osborne and the Trusteeship people whether anything can usefully be added.

Mr. Georges Dumontet,
Joint Division of Co-ordination and Liaison,
United Nations,
Lake Success,
U.S.A.

Mr. Georges Dumontet

4 June 1948.

Work Programmes of Commissions

Progress noted with interest. The main thing is to have the material in so that a paper can be issued when the round of commission sessions, excluding Human Rights and the Regional Economic Commissions, is completed.

Election of Members of functional commissions.

I agree, but this was the intention last time and it did not prove possible to carry it out. The President mentioned the matter in his closing speech at the last Session, and should no doubt do so when opening the Seventh Session.

Background documents for the Council.

I do not think a flat rate of 50 for all documents will suffice. We will need more of some, for instance, the volume of resolutions of the Sixth Session and possibly less of others. I think that in ~~shipping~~ ^{fixing} the list you should put one of say three or four figures against each document. The figures might be perhaps 30, 50, 100, 150. I take it that the shipping of some of these will now already have commenced, e.g. resolutions, specialized agency agreements and other documents which would certainly be included in any list. Would you let me have a copy of your list as soon as you can.

Substitute for Mrs. Herman

The latest developments are rather disappointing, particularly as I had understood from Miss Osborne that she would be available if required. I will give it further thought, but if you have any other suggestions let me know.

World Jewish Congress

A decision whether to hold a special meeting should be taken by the Chairman of the Committee in the light of the answers received from the delegations consulted.

I should have thought, however, that the proposal as you mentioned it of holding several meetings in June at which both the applications and this matter could be disposed of would give satisfaction to all parties.

I have now had a chance of looking through the final Act on the Conference of Freedom of Information (Document E/CONF.6/79) and I agree that this contains all the material on the Conference which is necessary for the Council. In the next edition of the Agenda this document should therefore replace "Report of the Secretary-General on the Conference of Freedom of Information".

Would you please send me by airmail one copy ^{of} straight E/Documents as they are issued? The advance airmail distribution to Geneva does not permit of working copies, which of course I need in most instances, and the subsequent distribution by surface mail is too slow

Mr. Georges Dumontet

4 June 1948

for this purpose. Would you also send me, as they come out, a copy of any documents in connection with General Assembly Committees, documentation, etc.

The weather at Geneva has been very poor lately, if that is any consolation to you. Perhaps it is saving up for the Council.

With love to all,

Yours ever,

J. M. R.

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To : Mr. G.E. Yates, Acting Director

From : Mr. Wilfrid Benson, Director
Division of Non-Self-Governing Territories

Subject : World Health Assembly

14 May 1948

This Department recommends Dr. A. Barkhuus, Medical Specialist, form part of the U.N. delegation to proceed to Geneva from approximately 24 June to 9 July. He will then return to Lake Success and his place in Geneva will be taken by Mr. Jean Lucas, departmental representative of the Department there.