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Keep in Geneva.
21 September 1951.

To: Mr. Gilbert Yates,
C.316 - Palais des Nations.

From: M. de Baer,
Chairman, Review Board, IRO.

As arranged with Mr. David Owen, please find
hereunder my telephone numbers during next week:

Until 22 September:

IRO Review Board, Palais Wilson, Geneva.
Telephone: 26508, Ext.211 or 215.

or Chateau d'Echenevex, par Gex, Ain.
Telephone: Echenevex 3.

24 to 27 September inclusive:

IRO Ludwigsburg, Telephone 5631.

28 to 29 September inclusive:

IRO Control Centre Munich-Freiman
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M. de BAER

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2 October 1951.

To: Mr. Gilbert Yates,
C.316 - Palais des Nations.

From: M. de Baer,
Chairman, Review Board, IRO.

Further to my memorandum of 21 September,
I wish to advise you of my whereabouts during the
coming week:

Thursday 4 October
until Saturday 6 October: Hotel Savoia, Rome.

Sunday 7 October
until Tuesday 9 October: Hotel Vesuvio, Naples.

From Wednesday 10 October: IRO Review Board,
Palais Wilson, Geneva.
Tel: 26508, Ext. 211 or 214.
Chateau d'Echenevex,
par Gex, Ain.
Tel: Echenevex 3.


M. de Baer

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29th August 1951.

Dear Mr. Egger,

With reference to your letter addressed to Mrs. Herman, dated 24th August, and concerning points 55 and 56 of the Agenda of the Economic and Social Council, the best estimate we can give you at present, is that both these items will be taken at the end of the session. At this moment, it is difficult to establish the exact date of these discussions, but they should fall, provisionally, between the 15th and 20th of September. We will, however let you know once the matter has been decided *made more clear.*

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Charles Egger,
International Children's
Emergency Fund,
Neuilly-sur-Seine



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INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY FUND

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Téléphone : MAILLOT 77-70

24 August 1951

YOUR REF. :

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Dear Mrs. Herman,

Points 55 and 56 of the Agenda for the Thirteenth Session of the Economic and Social Council (Document E/2000) are concerning the designation of members of the Executive Board of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

I would appreciate it very much if you could let me know as soon as possible the date on which above mentioned points are going to be taken up by ECOSOC. Thanking you in advance,

Sincerely yours,

W. M. Egger
for Charles A. Egger,
Director, European and Eastern
Mediterranean Regional Office.

Mrs. Stephanie Herman,
Secretariat of the Economic
and Social Council Meeting,
Palais des Nations,
Geneve, Suisse

PROJET DE PROGRAMME POUR LA SEMAINE COMMENCANT
LE 27 AOUT

(Les points de l'ordre du jour ne sont pas nécessairement énumérés dans l'ordre où leur examen serait abordé)

En séance plénière

Points 5, 42 et 8, 12 (Rapport du Comité économique), 15, 18, 19 (rapport du Comité social) 32, 33 (rapport du Comité de l'assistance technique),

Comité économique

Points 7, 25 (au cas où ils seraient renvoyés au Comité pour examen)

Comité social

Point 21

Comité de l'assistance technique

Point 33 (suite)

Comité de coordination

Point 39 (suite)

PROJET DE PROGRAMME POUR LA SEMAINE QUI COMMENCERA
LE 3 SEPTEMBRE

(En sus des points dont l'examen n'aura pas été terminé la semaine précédente)

En séance plénière

Point 4 (c), 13, 14, 20 (rapport du Comité social), 29, 34, 48, 51, 55, 56

Comité social

Point 30

Comité économique

Point 6

Comité de coordination

Point 36 (Si ce point est renvoyé au Comité pour premier examen),

CONSEIL ECONOMIQUE ET SOCIAL

Treizième session

PROGRAMME DU LUNDI 27 AOUT 1951

10.00 - 521e séance plénière - SALLE DES CONSEILS

1. Plein emploi Point 5
Documents : E/CN.1/81 et Add.1-10, E/2035, E/2035/Add.1, (suite)
E/2045, E/2071, E/L.208, E/L.216, E/L.216/Add.1, E/L.226
E/L.230
2. Rapport de la Commission de statistique (sixième Point 12
session)
Documents : E/1994, E/2088 (rapport du Comité économique)

15.00 - 522e séance plénière - SALLE DES CONSEILS

1. Rapport de la Commission de la condition de la femme Point 19
(cinquième session)
Documents : E/1997, E/1997/Corr.2, E/2072 (rapport du
Comité social), E/L.209
2. Rapport de la Commission des droits de l'homme Point 18
(septième session)
Documents : E/1992, E/1992/Add.1, E/2044, E/2057,
et Add.1-4, E/2059 et Add.1-7, E/2085

15.00 et 21.00 - COMITE DE L'ASSISTANCE TECHNIQUE - SALLE VII
16 et 17e séances

Programme élargi d'assistance technique Point 33
Documents : E/2054, E/2054/Add.1, E/2026, E/2027,
E/TAC/L.8, E/TAC/L.9

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AVANCEMENT DES TRAVAUX AU 24 AOUT

Points dont l'examen est terminé : 1, 2, 3, 4, (a), (b), (d), 10, 11, 22,
23 x), 24, 26, 27, 28, 31, 35, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 57.

Points dont l'examen a été abordé, mais n'est pas terminé : 5, 12, 19, 20,
33, 39, 49, 50.

Points dont l'examen n'a pas encore été abordé : 4(c), 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14,
15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 25, 29, 30, 32, 34, 36, 37, 38, 42, 48, 51, 52, 53, 54,
55, 56, 58.

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x) Exception faite pour une résolution qui sera examinée avec le point 36,

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MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS BAGHDAD (IRAQ)

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SOCIAL COUNCIL ADOPTED ITS AGENDA INCLUDING ITEM 16 BEFORE
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AGAIN FOR SEVERAL WEEKS

SECRETARY ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

G E YATES C.316

4.8.51.

Mr. Azmi Mander.
Repts. sented for him.
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Hotel Cornavin
Genève
Le 30 Juillet 1951

Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur et le grand plaisir de me présenter à Votre Excellence, au sein de la treizième session du Conseil Economique et Social pour laquelle le Gouvernement Egyptien m'a délégué comme observateur. C'est avec intérêt que je suivrai les discussions au sein du Conseil et dans ses différents Comités; mais c'est spécialement à certains points de l'ordre du jour que le Gouvernement Egyptien est particulièrement intéressé, et à propos desquels je solliciterai quelques interventions pendant leur discussion au Conseil et aux Comités Economique et Social.

✓ 4 Ce sont les points 4 (développement économiques des pays à haut potentiel de développement à propos duquel l'Egypte a eu dernièrement une expérience dont elle voudra communiquer les effets), 16 (Commission Economique pour le Moyen Orient dont l'initiative de la proposition revient à l'Egypte elle-même), 17 (Transports intérieurs dans le Moyen Orient dont l'Egypte est bien le centre), 18 (Rapport de la Commission des Droits de l'Homme auprès de laquelle l'Egypte a déposé des amendements encore pendant), 20 (Convention relative à la liberté de l'information dont l'Egypte a été parmi les co-auteurs), et 34 (Assistance à la Libye pour laquelle l'Egypte est considérée un des pays directement intéressés ayant assisté aux discussions déjà organisées par la Commission des Nations Unies M. Pelt, à Londres et à Genève durant les deux derniers mois).

En vous remerciant d'avance pour l'appréciation que j'escompte de votre Excellence, je vous prie, Monsieur le Président, de vouloir bien agréer l'expression de mes hommages respectueux.

Mahmoud Azmi

For your information —

13th

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO: Mr. W. Leonard

FROM: V. Hoo

SUBJECT: 13th session of the ECOSOC

16 July 1951

With reference to Mr. Lukac's memorandum dated 15 May 1951, I wish to inform you that the Department of Trusteeship has designated Mr. Bozidar Aleksander, Deputy Director of the Trusteeship Division and Secretary of the Trusteeship Council, as representative of the Department at the 13th session of the ECOSOC in connexion with its consideration of the report on the economic conditions in Africa as well as any other matters concerning Trusteeship and Non-Self Governing Territories.

cc. Messrs. Bunche, Benson, Aleksander and Kwong.

31 July 1951

Dear Mr. Egger,

I have tried to make contact on the telephone but without success, so am sending this note in case we do not manage to speak.

The Council in adopting its agenda yesterday ^{materially} did not make any changes to the proposals of the Agenda Committee that naturally affect the time of consideration of the Report of UNICEF. Accordingly, that remains the first item in the "middle" period, which may be taken as commencing approximately 13th August. It should be taken on that day or within a few days thereafter.

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I enclose an extra copy of the report of the Agenda Committee.

Yours sincerely,

G.E. Yates,
Secretary, Economic and Social Council.

Monsieur Charles A. Egger,
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YOUR REF. :

20 July 1951

OUR REF. :

Dear Mrs. Herman,

Mr. Pate, our Executive Director, informed me last month that I should get in touch with you to get confirmation of the exact dates of the next ECOSOC meeting.

I have been designated to accompany Mr. Lindt, Chairman of the UNICEF Programme Committee, to represent UNICEF at those meetings when the question of UNICEF will come on the agenda. Tentatively I was told that it would be probably between August 20th and September 1st.

I would appreciate it very much if you could let me know as soon as possible if any definite date has already been decided upon, as I must make plans well in advance to attend the meeting.

Thanking you very much in advance, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Charles A. Egger

Charles A. Egger,
Director, European and Eastern
Mediterranean Regional Office.

Mrs. Stephanie Herman,
Secretariat of the Economic
and Social Council Meeting,
Palais des Nations,
Geneve, Suisse

ECA 10/0684

19 July 1951

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 17 July 1951 concerning the World Power Conference.

Resolution 288 B (X), paragraph 35(a), of the Economic and Social Council provides that requests for changes in status should be considered by the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations "at the earliest at its first session of the second year following the session at which the substance of the previous application or request was considered...". The decision of the Council that the World Power Conference should be placed on the register of the Secretary-General is contained in resolution 334 A (XI), of 20 July 1950. Under present arrangements it would, therefore, not be possible for the Committee to consider a request from the World Power Conference for transfer to category B consultative status until the first session of the Council in 1953.

Your letter will, I assure you, be brought to the attention of the members of the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations when it meets in Geneva in connexion with the thirteenth session of the Council.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

William R. Leonard,
Acting Assistant Secretary-General
in charge of Economic Affairs

The Acting Permanent Representative
of Norway to the United Nations,
Norway House, 290 Madison Avenue,
New York 17, NY.

18 July 1951

C. HOGAN

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UNATIONS GENEVA (SWITZERLAND)

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S. B. Shields, Ex. Off., ECA

Mr. Witold Langrod, Social Welfare Division, Room 2741 A
Charles Hogan, Room 2945

Utilization of Data from Non-Governmental Organizations
in Studies on Status of Aliens

10 July 1951

SOA 140/2/02

Thank you for sending me your paper on "Utilization of Data from Non-Governmental Organizations in Studies on Status of Aliens".

This paper presents a serious problem of policy. I suggest that in the situation described the non-governmental organizations be sent copy of the Government material with a statement that the two are at variance with an urgent request for comments. Should problem remains it would then be wise informally to see a member of the delegation or a representative of the Government concerned. The Secretariat would be free to indicate forcibly to the Government the possibility of circulating the conflicting statements and this should prove satisfactory.

This problem points up the necessity of seeing to it that when commissions and the Council pass resolutions the Secretariat is authorized to seek the views and assistance not only of Governments but of non-governmental organizations when competent in the field.

Mr. Murray Applebaum, Publishing Division

Mrs. Grant, ECOSOC Secretariat

16 July 1951

Complimentary Distribution of Supplement to Catalogue
of Economic and Social Projects

In accordance with the arrangements made by
telephone, would you please consider this authoriza-
tion for the dispatch of copies of the Supplement
to persons and organizations on the list supplied
by Mrs. Diska.

dew

ECA 55/4/08

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of the United States of America at the Seat of the United Nations and has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of his note, number UN-2205/26 of 12 July 1951, transmitting the draft United States proposal with regard to the Procedure for the Election of the Members of the Functional Commissions, for consideration by the Economic and Social Council in connection with Item 36.

17 July 1951

ECA 55/02 (13th)

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of the United States of America at the Seat of the United Nations and has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of his note, number UN-2205/47 of 11 July 1951, transmitting, for the consideration of the Agenda Committee, two copies of the comments of the United States Government concerning the disposition of agenda items for the 13th session of the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

18 July 1951

Agenda - 13th

Mr. Gunnar Myrdal,
Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Europe

G.E. Yates.

July 17th 1951

Order of items for 13th Session Ecosoc.

- You may be interested to see E/C.3/L.9 attached, which represents secretarial suggestions to the Agenda Committee after a good deal of consultation with delegations at headquarters and others concerned. E/C.3/L.11, Suggestions of the U.S. delegation, which has just come in,
- is also attached; it is more difficult to relate the items to dates in this presentation, but the general order is not very dissimilar.

Agenda 13th session

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington

M. States.
This is a spare - it's been submitted to documents & will be out shortly in Geneva. Forrest Munden told me that to the extent this varies with the S-G's paper the U.S. would not press.
July 10, 1951 its recommendation.

C.A.H.

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NO. 14

To the

United States Representative to the United Nations,

New York, New York.

for
E/C.3/2.11

The Secretary of State transmits to the United States Representative to the United Nations the comments of the United States concerning the disposition of agenda items for the 13th Session of the United Nations Economic and Social Council. It is requested that these comments be transmitted to the Secretary General of the United Nations for consideration of the Agenda Committee.

Enclosures:

3 copies of the U.S. comments concerning the disposition of agenda items for the 13th Session of the UN Economic and Social Council.

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UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANISATION

ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES POUR L'ÉDUCATION, LA SCIENCE ET LA CULTURE

TELEPHONE : KLEBER 52-00 - TELEGR. : UNESCO PARIS

Mr. YATES

19, Avenue Kléber, PARIS 16*

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In your reply, please refer to :
En répondant, veuillez rappeler :
N°

E/2052
17 July 1957

Dear Mr. Lie,

May I refer to the Acting Director-General's telegram of 13 July reading as follows :

HAVE HONOUR TO REQUEST INCLUSION ECOSOC AGENDA THIRTEENTH SESSION FOLLOWING ITEM QUOTE CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY SIXTH SESSION GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNESCO CONCERNING PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF NEWSPRINT AND PRINTING PAPER UNQUOTE DRAFT PAPER AND STATEMENT OF URGENCY AND REASONS FOR DELAY BEING AIRMAILED AND COPIED TO YATES GENEVA

...
E/2052/222
I now have pleasure in enclosing a brief memorandum giving the text of the resolution adopted by the General Conference of Unesco on the question of production and distribution of newsprint and printing paper, which might be placed before the Economic and Social Council if the latter's Agenda Committee agree to accept the item.

...
E/C.3/L.10
As such acceptance would require recourse to sub-paragraph (c) of Rule 10 (1) of the Rules of Procedure of the Council, I also enclose a brief statement of the urgency of the item and of the reasons which precluded its submission within the normal period of time.

Should the Agenda Committee wish to consider this additional item in conjunction with item 6 of the provisional agenda ("Report by the Secretary-General under Council resolution 296 (XI) on procedures for inter-governmental consultations on problems of primary commodities"), I would, of course, be entirely agreeable to this course.

In order to save time, I am sending a copy of this letter and its enclosures to Mr. Yates in Geneva.

Yours sincerely,

His Excellency M. Trygve Lie,
Secretary-General,
United Nations,
New York.

Jaime Torres Bodet
Director-General

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NEWYORK

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FINALLY ADOPTED stop COUNCIL REQUESTED TO DRAW ATTENTION VARIOUS
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ETC stop THINK OUR PAPER AS DRAFTED HERE BY KAYSER MIGHT BE USEFUL
TO COUNCIL stop PLEASE COMPLETE IN ^{LINE} ~~TOOK~~ WITH RECENT LETTERS REFERRING
UNESCO RESOLUTION ETC BUT DONT PUBLISH UNTIL ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT
HAS APPROVED stop TEXT UNESCO RESOLUTION QUOTED IN MEMORANDUM ANNEX
LETTER FROM TORRESBODET TO SEC GEN SEVENTEEN JULY

HUMPHREY

John P. Humphrey, Exec. Sec., Refugees Conference

16 July 1951

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Geneva
14 July 1951

Dear Gilbert -

I took a chance at seeing you
this morning. I really should have come
on Monday, but I didn't want to carry
the copy of the Director-General's letter to Mr. Tugue-
re on the question of reprint, while I
am having around this weekend. Mr. Roche
of the Division of Social Activities has kindly consented
to hand ^{you} the correspondence in question first thing
Monday morning. Time permitting I shall try to see
you sometime Monday, especially on tentative plans
for scheduling ^{Exco} items of interest to Unesco, particularly
the reports from the specialized agencies.

We have had a very profitable session of our
General Conference & there is every reason to be happy
about developments in UN-Unesco relations. See you
soon...

Sob

P.S. - { Will leave for Paris
Monday evening & for
New York week of 23 July.

Am at the Hotel de la Paix

Agenda - 13th session

TELEPHONE : KLEBER 52-00 - TELEGR. : UNESCO PARIS



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19, Avenue Kléber, PARIS 16*

In your reply, please refer to :
En répondant, veuillez rappeler :

N° XR 236.705

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

JUN 21 1951

Received 9/21/51
JH

Dear Gilbert,

...
A group of governments have just handed in the attached draft resolution (document 6C/DR/15) which I hasten to send on to you so that you may have advance knowledge of this initiative.

The matter will come up for final consideration in approximately ten days and we will of course at once communicate with you officially by cable.

I appreciate that we shall have once again to plead the urgency clause under the Rules of Procedure, 10.1 (c), and I will see that a statement of the case is forwarded as soon as possible. It will of course be based on the date of adoption of the resolution by the General Conference and the dates of the session itself, which are somewhat late this year.

Yours ever,

for C. M. BERKELEY
Head, Division of Relations
with International Organizations

Mr. Gilbert Yates,
Secretary,
Economic and Social Council,
United Nations,
New York.

U. N. E. S. C. O.

GENERAL CONFERENCE

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CONFÉRENCE GÉNÉRALE

SIXTH SESSION

SEXTA REUNION

SIXIÈME SESSION

Items 8.7.5.3. and 8.7.5.4 of the revised agenda

WORLD DISTRIBUTION OF NEWSPRINT

DRAFT RESOLUTION PRESENTED BY THE BELGIAN AND FRENCH DELEGATIONS

The Belgian and French Governments having requested that the question of the production and distribution of newsprint might be included in the agenda of the General Conference,

the Belgian and French delegations, supported by the delegations of Egypt, India, Italy, Mexico and Uruguay, submit the following draft resolution to the Conference for approval:

6.16 The Director-General is authorized:

A. To request the Economic and Social Council to include in the agenda of its next session, opening in Geneva at the end of July or the beginning of August 1951, a proposal on behalf of Unesco requesting the Council to convene, as soon as possible, an international Conference of:

(a) experts nominated by all the governments of Member States of the United Nations and Specialized Agencies (in particular Unesco and the Food and Agriculture Organization) in conjunction with the principal national associations of newspaper editors, and the principal national associations of producers of newsprint and printing paper;

(b) delegates of regional economic commissions;

(c) representatives of the principal international associations of newspaper editors;

which Conference, taking into consideration the work carried out by the Wood Pulp and Paper Committee of the International Raw Materials Conference, would be instructed to consider concerted international action designed to:

(1) increase world production of newsprint and printing paper, notably by extending the use of substitute raw materials;

(2) exclude all possibility of speculation, and thus guarantee the supply of newsprint for essential needs of information, education, science and culture throughout the world;

(3) ensure fairer distribution of these essential products, through closer international collaboration;

B. To appeal urgently to the governments of Member States to examine the problems raised by the present situation, and, collaborating in a spirit of mutual goodwill, to take such decisions as are urgent and necessary at the present juncture;

C. To warn public opinion, which is in growing danger of being deprived of information at the very moment when such information is most needed;

D. To ask to be invited to submit to the Wood Pulp and Paper Committee of the International Raw Materials Conference a report on the problems which Unesco wishes that Committee to discuss.

agenda

14 June 1951

Dear Mr. President,

In accordance with your verbal request to me this afternoon I attach herewith the draft letter which you asked me to prepare.

In accordance with your formal request the item "Problem of food shortages and famine in many regions" will be included on the provisional agenda of the Thirteenth Session of the Council, although it will have reached the Secretary-General after the seven weeks required under rule 10.

The Secretary-General will be pleased to receive the documentation required under the above rule.

I have discussed with Mr. Weintraub the question of the title of item 5, "Full Employment", of the provisional agenda, which you approved. He is of the opinion that under Council resolution 290 (XI), paragraph A.1., the item should retain its present title.

Yours sincerely,

Charles A. Hogan,
Acting Secretary,
Economic and Social Council

His Excellency
Mr. Hernan Santa Cruz
President, Economic and Social Council
c/o Permanent Chilean Delegation to the United Nations
Room 6312, 350 Fifth Avenue
New York 1, N. Y.

Item 27 - agenda 13^e

SOA 325/6/06

7 June 1951

Dear John,

Thank you very much for your letter of 28 May 1951 and for the High Commissioner's letter of transmittal.

I should be pleased if you would send me two copies of the final text of his proposal concerning the wording of his memorandum on the Advisory Committee. I appreciate your consideration of our comments, but I feel it necessary to have a final text from you and at the earliest possible date.

Helen Seymour will prepare a paper on the financial implications of this matter. It is necessary for her to know the status of members of the Committee in order to determine whether the United Nations or governments pay travel and per diem costs. She would also like to have your estimate of the number of members since only you can give this. Your estimate, of course, would not be binding on the High Commissioner and would be only a suggestion to the Council. She must have your views as to where the Committee will meet, how often and for how long.

No draft resolution has as yet been prepared for the Council. Perhaps you would like to send us one, or would you prefer to wait until you can discuss the matter with some of us in Geneva?

Item 27 of the draft provisional agenda reads:

"27. Refugees and stateless persons:

- a) Question of establishment of an advisory committee on refugees.
- b) Report of the High Commissioner to the General Assembly."

Mr. John Alexander
Office of the High Commissioner
for Refugees
Palais des Nations
Geneva, Switzerland

We are urgently in need of the report of the High Commissioner to the General Assembly which is required under the Assembly resolution. Should the High Commissioner decide not to present his annual report in 1951, the item should be stricken from the provisional agenda and a communication stating this sent to the Council. I would appreciate a cable on this matter.

You have been most cooperative and this has been of great assistance to us.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. George C. Michalopoulos, Room 3626B

Charles A. Hegan, Acting Secretary, Economic and Social Council, Room 2941C

ECOSOC resolution 362 B (XII) of 13 March 1951,
document E/1951.

1 June 1951

1. I refer to the above mentioned resolution which invites the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to submit to the 13th session of the Council such observations on administrative and financial aspects of 1952 programmes of the United Nations and the specialized agencies as will assist the Council in reviewing the programmes.
2. I understand that this will be considered by the Advisory Committee at its June meeting. Since the 13th session of the Council will be convened on 30 July, it would be appreciated if the Advisory Committee would give this matter early consideration, as documentation for the Council should be circulated six weeks in advance.
3. Your cooperation in drawing this matter to the attention of the Committee will be appreciated.

c.c. to Mr. Martin Hill
Mr. Myles Minchin

agenda 136

31 May 1951

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Office of the High Commissioner
for Refugees
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Geneva, Switzerland

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Thank you for your cable which I received this morning. I assume it refers to the Report of the High Commissioner to the General Assembly which must be presented to the Council. If it is possible to post this before June 10th, it would be extremely helpful to us. The six-weeks' rule applies to distribution, not to reception.

We are looking forward to receiving the other report concerning the creation of an Advisory Committee to the High Commissioner. I hope that this is under way and that you will be sending it off shortly.

I shall be arriving in Geneva on July 25th and look forward to seeing you.

Best regards to all of you.

Yours sincerely,

Charles A. Hogan
Acting Secretary
Economic and Social Council

Agenda 134

28 May 1951

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KOREA WITHDREW GENOCIDE PROPOSAL THIRTEENTH SESSION

Agenda (gen.)

10 May 1951

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If you are in agreement with this conclusion, I shall suggest that the Secretariat of the ECOSOC pass these views along to the President of the Council to whom the letter is addressed. It would undoubtedly be most helpful if you could arrange to discuss this matter with Mr. Santa Cruz in Geneva next week. Perhaps that could be mentioned in the letter of transmittal to him.

SOA 325/6/06

20 May 1951

Dear John,

Your letter of 24 April 1951 to Gilbert, which arrived after his departure, raises a few questions in our minds.

Is the memorandum attached to your letter being proposed as a document to be circulated to the thirteenth session of the Council under the provisional agenda item Refugees and Stateless Persons: establishment of an Advisory Committee to the High Commissioner? There is no clear request for this in your letter of transmittal, and we hesitate, therefore, to circulate it.

The memorandum itself is vague on one or two points, and I have thought it best to bring these points to your attention.

In paragraph 5, what is the criterion for the expression "considerable"? In other words, what would be the exact size of the Committee? The High Commissioner may wish to make a suggestion in this connection.

Paragraph 6a may raise complications, since it is not upon first reading quite clear what the difference is between "any State with a large refugee population which comes within the scope of this Statute..." and the States described in paragraph 6, "in whose territories considerable numbers of refugees within his mandate are resident". The intention of these two passages becomes apparent upon second reading, but I would suggest a sharper differentiation between the wording of the two paragraphs.

I should be pleased to have your views on the above questions. Could you let me know whether you wish to have this memorandum issued as a document, and whether any revisions are to be made in the text? I would suggest a letter of transmittal in that case, requesting circulation.

I assume that you will be sending documents concerning the terms of reference of the Committee in good time.

A paper covering the financial implications of the establishment of the Advisory Committee will have to be prepared by us, but that is not a matter of urgency at the present time.

I have, incidentally, consulted with the Executive Office of the Secretary-General on the above points, and they feel about them as I do.

Do give my warmest regards to Gerard. I look forward to seeing both of you after the middle of July.

Yours sincerely,

Charles A. Hogan,
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Mr. John Alexander,
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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Charles Hogan, Economic and Social Council Secretariat

FROM: Oscar Schachter, Legal Department

SUBJECT: Communication dated 3 May 1951 from the Permanent
Representative of the Republic of Korea to the
President of ECOSOC

Date 10 May 1951

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.... I attach a copy of a memorandum I have addressed to Dr. Kerno
on the subject of the communication dated 3 May 1951, from the
Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the President
.... of ECOSOC, also attached.

.... Dr. Kerno appears to be generally in agreement with this
conclusion but would like to reserve final decision until he has
discussed the question with Mr. Santa Cruz in Geneva. Accordingly,
I have drafted the attached letter which you might want to send
to Mr. Santa Cruz immediately. I presume that Mr. Santa Cruz and
Dr. Kerno will get together on this early next week and will let us
know their final decision.

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10 May 1951.

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O. Schachter

Communication dated 3 May 1951 from the Permanent
Representative of the Republic of Korea to
the President of ECOSOC

9 May 1951

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The Republic of Korea having acceded to the Convention on 14 February 1950 is a Contracting Party within the meaning of Article VIII.

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Mr. Martin Hill, Director of Co-ordination for Specialized Agencies

A. Messing-Mierzejewski, Economic and Social Council Secretariat

Import and export of medical supplies
(WHO item) on Ecosoc agenda)

30 April 1951

With reference to our conversation of 26 April 1951, I am writing to confirm that during the ACC meeting in Paris, attention of Mr. Brock Chisholm should be drawn to the necessity of presenting substantive supporting documentation for the above item for distribution not later than the 12th June 1951, under the six-weeks rule.

~~Adm. Sec. on Admin. & Budgetary Questions~~

CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. A.D.K. Owen, Assistant Secretary-General in charge of Economic Affairs

FROM: G.E. Yates, Secretary, Economic and Social Council

SUBJECT: Concentration of Effort and Resources DATE: 28 April 1951

✓ With reference to the attached note from the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions transmitting the memorandum of the Committee about General Assembly resolution 413 (V) on concentration of effort and resources, no doubt you will wish to discuss this whole subject further with Mr. Price and Mr. Martin Hill before further steps are taken.

The following are comments that may be regarded as material for discussion:

1. There seem to be some differences between the leading Member States concerned in this subject on the extent to which in fact they wish to go in building up an effective review covering specialized agencies' programmes by the United Nations at all. This will condition the approach to the matter to some extent, and I understand that Mr. Hill is assessing this position.
2. On the hypothesis that an effective means of cooperation between the Council and the Advisory Committee for this purpose is to be found, basically it seems to me that this would require that both organs must put themselves in the posture of having examined the material and being ready to express opinions on it at some point of time when they can ^{STU} ~~and~~ will exchange views -- by whatever means, exchange of documents, delegations from one to the other, working party, etc. may be decided upon.
3. This does present a difficult, though not necessarily a hopelessly insoluble, scheduling problem. The budget estimates according to GA rules have to be submitted to the Advisory Committee at least 12 weeks before the opening of the Assembly, and the report of the Advisory Committee on them at least 5 weeks before the opening of the Assembly. (In practice, the general distribution of the budget estimates to Members has been held up till this later date, so that the two documents could go at about the same time). The period between 12 and 5 weeks before the Assembly is therefore occupied by the Advisory Committee in examining the UN budget. By general consent, on the other hand, the pre-Assembly Council should finish some 5-6 weeks before the Assembly in order to enable it to carry out its responsibilities to the GA effectively. How can the Advisory Committee fit in its examination of the specialized agency budgets say a minimum of 7 weeks before the Assembly?

One possible line of approach is to see how far it would be acceptable to the agencies, and otherwise practicable, for the Advisory Committee to work on draft budgets in those (several important) cases where the approved budget would not be available before the 12 weeks pre-Assembly period.

If the disadvantages of working on draft budgets in some cases are too great, and a full seven weeks is required by the Advisory Committee for the UN budget, some other possibilities of finding more time might be explored, e.g. the Assembly (if there was no other way out and it felt strongly about this process) might alter the 5 weeks submission of the Advisory Committee report to, say, 25 days, perhaps postponing by a corresponding ~~dated~~ the date at which the Fifth Committee starts its consideration of the budget. Or perhaps (I know this is a hazardous suggestion) the UN budget might be ready for presentation to the Advisory Committee more than 12 weeks before the Assembly?

If a space of time could be found in some such way (I don't know what the minimum requirement is), this might be taken at some period in the course of the examination of the UN budget.

These procedures would require some rearrangement ^{of} the AFS staff examining and analysing the specialized agency budgets, so as to permit the concentration of work in a shorter time. It seems unlikely, however, that very extensive arrangements would be involved for this purpose.

4. As regards the method of consultation between the Council and the Advisory Committee, there are several points that might be borne in mind. At present, several members of the Council at least feel constitutional and organizational objections to the idea of joint sittings. These objections would be less in degree but would still apply to the milder version of this proposal, i.e. a joint working party. Secondly, though the GA resolution is expressed in terms of 1952, it is necessary to look at the process over a period of years. In this connection, some Council members feel that the procedures should be explored carefully and would prefer starting with the simpler devices, e.g. exchange of documents, possibly coupled with an invitation to a representative of the Advisory Committee to participate in the Council's discussions. The opportunity could then be taken in the first year to discuss possible procedures for future years.

5. I have rather assumed above that a special short Council session just before the Assembly would not be an effective solution. It would raise all the normal difficulties about the work getting effectively to delegations in time. Also, there would be the possibility of the normal summer session and this special session being held in different places; and it would not be satisfactory to have big differences between the personnel of the delegations that considered the UN economic and social programmes and the reports of the specialized agencies at the normal session and those doing this closely-connected job. It would be very unpopular with delegations. Altogether, I think it unlikely to provide the answer.

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1. Mr. A. Messing (to note)
2. Mrs J. Henderson

G. E. Yates

Draft Provisional Agenda for the 13th Session
of the Economic and Social Council

27 April 1951

Thanks for your minute of 25th April.

Part 1. Noted.

Part 2. Agreed. I had already suggested that in the process of consultation with UNESCO, it might be pointed out to them that the 13th session will be very congested. On the other hand, the first session in 1952 will be less congested in any case; in addition, there is a fair chance that it will be to some extent a specialized session on social and human rights subjects, as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee on Organization, in which case it would be a more than usually suitable occasion for this item.

Part 3. We will of course take this into account so far as is practicable. It is relatively easy as regards the items directly associated with the Social Welfare Division.

However, as regards the report of Specialized Agencies, Mr. Hill has estimated that three more or less continuous weeks will be required for the Coordination Committee (probably beginning soon after the start of the Council). The Coordination Committee and the TAC ~~could~~^{cannot} meet at the same time, as many of the delegations, UN and specialized agencies secretariat personnel are the same. Accordingly - except possibly for one or two first preliminary meetings - the main proceedings on technical assistance will have to follow the Coordination Committee. This is unavoidable but limits the possibilities of grouping on specialized agency reports and TAC severely.

Mr. Lin Mousheng, Acting Director, Division of Human Rights

G.E. Yates

20 April 1951

Items for the provisional agenda of the
thirteenth session

1. Many thanks for your note of 6th April. The immediate object, however, of Ecosoc Circular No 115, was consultation on the document which was in fact issued at Santiago as E/1963, "Preliminary list of items for provisional agenda of the thirteenth session". I am, therefore taking your comments in relation to the provisional agenda itself which under Rule of Procedure No 9 will be issued six weeks before the convening date of the thirteenth session of the Council.

2. Additional item agreed and noted : "Flight of survivors of Concentration Camps" Report of the Secretary-General."

3. As regards the decision of the Council of 19th March to postpone until the thirteenth session a decision as to the next session of the Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information, this will come up inter alia under the item "Calendar for 1951". It will also be the subject of a recommendation in the first report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Organization and Operation of the Council and its Commissions. Accordingly, no further item seems necessary.

4. As regards Trade Union Rights, the title "Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights" received under Resolution 277(X) seems indicated for two reasons:

- (i) it is the wording of the resolution itself;
- (ii) the introduction of "communications" in addition might tend to import some of the difficulties set out in my note of 2nd March. Not only should the Secretariat do its best to avoid this, but there seems no need for the addition.

If however there are further arguments bearing on this point, I shall be glad to hear them.

GEY/gs

As regards the proposed sub-headings for this item, no objection as regards the item itself. However, it has not been the general custom to include such sub-headings in the first part of the provisional agenda document except when there is a much greater degree of differentiation in the subject matter of the parts, for instance when the different parts might be assigned to different Committees (see for illustration items 26 and 28 in the next agenda). Unless this practice were generally adhered to, the agenda titles in general would grow to an inconvenient length. In the circumstances, the subdivision might be made either in the second part of the provisional agenda document, and/or in a paper if, as I assume, the Secretariat will issue a final paper for this item.

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Messrs. Vaughan, Peissel, Le Bosquet

G. E. Yates

Preliminary list of items for the provisional agenda
of the 13th session of the Economic and Social Council.

20 March 1951.

Document E/1963 issued at Santiago (copy attached) should be helpful in enabling preliminary planning for the 13th session to be put in hand.

You will see that the agenda will be the heaviest the Council has ever had -this is taking account of the content even more than the number of the items. We will be at your disposal to confer about the problems there are on returning at the beginning of April.

ECOSOC Secretariat

Circular No. 115
17 March 1951
Santiago de Chile

TO: Standard Distribution List

FROM: G. E. Yates, Secretary, Economic and Social Council

SUBJECT: Preliminary List of Items for Provisional Agenda of 13th session.

A draft of a paper on the lines of those issued at the request of
.... the Council during previous spring sessions is attached.

Could comments please be sent in urgently, particularly as regards
any additions.

It will be noted that the formulation of items is provisional, and
of a minimal character only; and that the usual reservations are made.

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TENTATIVE LIST OF QUESTIONS FOR THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE THIRTEENTH SESSION
OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL²

- x Adoption of the agenda
- x World economic situation
 - (a) reports of Governments on action taken concerning production, distribution and prices of commodities and measures to combat inflation (Council resolution E/1957, Part A)
 - (b) further consideration of the world economic situation in 1949-1950 and particularly the sections of the World Economic Report relating to the economic conditions in the Middle East and Africa and the views submitted by Members of the United Nations in response to General Assembly resolution 406 (V) (Council resolution E/1957, Part B)
- x Report of the Economic, Employment and Development Commission (sixth session)
- x Economic development of under-developed countries
 - (a) methods of financing economic development
 - (b) Experts' report on measures to reduce unemployment and under-employment in light of requirements of economic development (Council resolution 290 (XI), paragraph 22)
 - (c) Land reform (General Assembly resolution 401 (V))
 - (d) Volume and distribution of income in under-developed countries²⁰⁰
 - (i) Distribution of internal income
 - (ii) Distribution of national income

² Items are not numbered at this stage since it has been found generally convenient by delegations that only one set of item numbers should be used for each session, namely that in the formal provisional agenda issued by the Secretary-General six weeks before the opening of the session, in accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the Council.

²⁰⁰ Tentative, depending on whether the reports of the Secretary-General and of the International Monetary Fund will be ready in time.

- x Full employment (Council resolution 290 (XI))
- x Report of the Secretary-General under Council resolution 296 (XI) on convening
of study groups and international commodity conferences
- x Report of the Fiscal Commission (third session)
- x Report of the Transport and Communications Commission (fifth session)
- x Report of the Statistical Commission (sixth session)
- x Annual report of the Economic Commission for Europe
- x Annual report of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East
- x Annual report of the Economic Commission for Latin America
- x Report of the Commission on Human Rights (seventh session)
- x Report of the Commission on the Status of Women (fifth session)
- x Report of the Committee on the Draft Convention on Freedom of Information
(General Assembly resolution 426 (V))
- x Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Slavery (Council resolution 307 (XI))
- x Allegations concerning infringements of trade union rights received under
Council resolution 277 (4)
- x Report of the Population Commission (sixth session)
- x Report of the Social Commission (seventh session)
- x Social problems of the aboriginal populations and other under-developed groups
of the American Continent (Council resolution 313 (XI))
- x Import and export of medical supplies
(This question may be proposed by the World Health Organization)
- x Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations International Children's
Emergency Fund
- x Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (sixth session)
- x Refugees and stateless persons
Establishment of an Advisory Committee to the High Commissioner
- x United Nations Research Laboratories (Council resolution 318 (XI))

- x United Nations programme of technical assistance
- x Expanded programme of technical assistance
- x Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Organization and Operation of the Council and its Commissions (Council resolution 295 B (XI))
- x Trusteeship Council resolution 110 (V) (See Council resolution 320 (XI))
- x Relief and rehabilitation of Korea (Council resolution 323 (XI))
- x Relations with and co-ordination of specialized agencies
- x Agreement with the World Meteorological Organization
- x Questions arising out of Council resolution 142 (VII) (report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment) and related matters
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- x Report of the International Refugee Organization
- x Inter-governmental organizations (Council resolution 333 (XI)); and question of invitations to attend sessions of the Council)
- x Non-governmental organizations
 - (a) Applications for hearings
 - (b) Questions arising out of the Headquarters Agreement
- x Calendar of conferences for 1952
- x Confirmation of members of functional commissions
- x Summary of financial implications of actions of the Council
- x Election of one-third of the membership of functional commissions
- x Arrangements regarding report of the Council to the General Assembly.

ECA 55/02

22 January 1951

13th agenda

Sir,

I am instructed by the Secretary-General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 6 January 1951 relating to the question of establishment of the advisory committee on refugees.

I note that it is your intention to make your recommendations on the above subject to the thirteenth session of the Economic and Social Council. In this connexion rule 9 of the rules of procedure provides for the issuance of the basic documentation six weeks before the opening of the session. The Secretary-General would therefore be grateful to receive your recommendations early in May in order to allow sufficient time for translation and reproduction.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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