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ITEM 1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (117 EX/1 and Add.)

At its first meeting, the Executive Board adopted the agenda set out in document 117 EX/1. At its seventeenth meeting, the Board decided to include on its agenda items 9.2 and 9.3, which are contained in document EX/1 Add.

The Board decided to refer to the Commissions the following items on its agenda:

1. to the Programme and External Relations Commission: items 5.1.2, 5.1.4, 5.2.2, 5.4.1, 5.5.1, 5.5.2, 7.1 and 7.2;
2. to the Finance and Administrative Commission: items 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5 and 8.6.

(117 EX/SR.1, 17)

1.1 Replacement of a member during his term of office (117 EX/NOM/1)

The Executive Board took note of the resignation of Mr Salvador Garcia de Pruneda (Spain) and, in accordance with Article V, paragraph 4 (a), of the Constitution, appointed Mr José Luis Abellan to replace him for the remainder of his term.

(117 EX/SR.1)

ITEM 2 APPROVAL OF THE SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE 116TH SESSION (116 EX/SR.1-29)

The Executive Board approved the summary records of its 116th session.

(117 EX/SR.1)

ITEM 3 METHODS OF WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION

3.1 Executive Board

3.1.1 Organization of the session: Report of the Bureau on questions which do not appear to require debate (117 EX/2)

The Executive Board approved the proposals of the Bureau contained in document 117 EX/2.

(117 EX/SR.1, 8)

3.1.2 Study on the operating conditions of the Executive Board and on the prospects of its possible enlargement in the future (117 EX/3)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/3,
2. Recalling resolution 18.1 in which the General Conference at its twenty-first session invited 'the Director-General and the Executive-Board to submit to it at its twenty-second session a study on the operating conditions of the Executive Board and on the prospects of its possible enlargement in the future',
3. Endorses the study submitted to it by the Director-General in document 117 EX/3;
4. Decides that the study, with the comments made during the discussion, will be transmitted to the General Conference under item 33 of the provisional agenda of the twenty-second session.

(117 EX/SR.16, 17, 23)

3.2 Reports of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit

3.2.1 Twelfth report of the Director-General on the follow-up action taken on recommendations of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit (117 EX/4 and 117 EX/5)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined and discussed the twelfth report of the Director-General on the follow-up action on recommendations of the United Nations Joint Inspection

Unit, presented in document 117 EX/4, and the report of the Special Committee thereon (117 EX/5).

2. Takes note with appreciation of the content of these reports;

3 Requests the Director-General to continue to report annually to the Executive on the follow-up action taken on those recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit reports agreed upon by the Director-General and approved by the Executive Board.

(117 EX/SR.20)

ITEM 4 DRAFT PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 1984-1985 (22 C/5)

4.1 Final recommendations of the Executive Board on the proposed budget for 1984-1985 (22 C/5 Rev. 1 and 2)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling the observations and recommendations (22 C/6) drawn up at its 116th session for the General Conference, on the Draft Programme and Budget for 1984-1985 (22 C/5) and the favourable recommendations which it submitted on this document which is in perfect conformity with the orientations of the Medium-Term Plan for 1984-1985, as well as with the resolutions adopted by the General Conference at its fourth extraordinary session,
2. Recalling also that, having subjected the draft programme and budget to a technical examination by its Finance and Administrative Commission, the Board noted at its 116th session that the budgeting techniques used for the preparation of document 22 C/5 were in conformity with resolution 38.1, adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-first session, as well as with the guidelines laid down by the Board in 114 EX/Decision 8.3,
3. Further recalling the decision that it will prepare its final recommendations concerning the budget ceiling at its present session,
4. Having examined to this effect the revised budget proposed by the Director-General in document 22 C/5 Rev. 2, dated 26 September 1983, and heard the Director-General's oral presentation on this subject,
5. Considering that the financial restrictions which several states are facing cannot lead to disregard of the demand for a consolidation of international co-operation within the framework of Unesco, now when the need to strengthen the defences of peace in the minds of men is, more than ever before, so clearly obvious and when the needs of Member States in education, science and culture are immense and pressing,
6. Considers Alternative 1, presented in document 22 C/5 Rev. 2, which proposes revised budget estimates on the basis of the rate of exchange of 7.80 French or 2.11 Swiss francs to one United States dollar, being the average of the rates of exchange prevailing in July, August and September 1983, constitutes the most reasonable solution since it permits the taking into account of the financial constraints of Member States on the one hand, as well as the full implementation of the proposed programme, on the other;
7. Invites the General Conference to approve the following additional activities which received favourable consideration from the majority of the members of the Board at its 116th session:

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(a) supplementary activities by the International Institute of Educational Planning so that it can play a part in the activities of major programmes other than Major Programmes II, IV and V . . . . .	603,000
(b) convening of the Second Conference on Strategies and Policies for Informatics (SPIN II), or the expansion of the informatics programme planned tinder Subprogramme VI. 3.1 . . . . .	987,800
(c) supplementary activities by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission under Programme X. 5 . . . . .	<u>583,700</u>

**Total** 2,174,500

8. Recommends the General Conference to approve the provisional budget ceiling of US \$386,678,000 for 1984-1985 on the basis of the budget estimates revised by the Director-General (22 C/5 Rev. 2, Alternative 1) to which the amount for the supplementary activities referred to in paragraph 7 above is added;
9. Invites the Director-General to continue to keep under constant review the trends of inflation and the rates of exchange of the United States dollar and to submit, if necessary, further revised budget estimates prior to the approval of the final budget by the General Conference at its twenty-second session.

(117 EX/SR.14, 15)

ITEM 5 EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAMME

5.1 Reports of the Director-General

5.1.1 Oral report on the activities of the Organization since the 116th session

The Executive Board,

1. Having heard the Director-General's oral report on the activities of the Organization since the 116th session,
2. Thanks the Director-General for presenting it with clear and detailed information which has revealed the scope and wealth of content of the programmes implemented by the Organization and given rise to a wide-ranging debate, while facilitating the Board's task with respect to other items of the agenda;
3. Welcomes the efforts exerted by the Director-General in the course of his missions to make the Organization's activities better known, and notes with great satisfaction the interest and confidence shown in Unesco in the various Member States, both by government circles and by scientific and cultural communities, and the prestige which the Organization enjoys among an ever-growing number of peoples,

(117 EX/SR.2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 22)

5.1.2 Statement of major impacts, achievements, difficulties and shortfalls for each continuing programme activity in 1981-1983 (117 EX/11 and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/11 (22 C/11), 'Statement of major impacts, achievements, difficulties and shortfalls for each continuing programme activity', relating to the first twenty-seven smonths of the 1981-1983 budgetary period,
2. Considers that document 117 EX/11 (22 C/11), in its presentation and content, shows considerable improvement in comparison with the previous documents in the same series;
3. Emphasizes the importance of this substantial document, which contains much valuable information on the implementation of the current programme and has given rise to a constructive and far-reaching debate in the Programme and External Relations Commission;
4. Decides to transmit to the General Conference the report of the Programme and External Relations Commission relating to the examination of document 117 EX/11 (22 C/11);
5. Recommends that the General Conference take the necessary steps to enable the Commissions responsible for examining the Draft Programme and Budget for 1984-1985 (document 22 C/5), including the Administrative Commission, to make full use of the information contained in this document, which, through its analysis of the implementation of the current programme, sheds light on the proposals for the following biennium, and to make recommendations, as appropriate, concerning its future structure and presentation;
6. Invites the Director-General, when preparing future documents relating to 'major impacts, achievements, difficulties and shortfalls for each continuing programme activity', to take into account as far as possible the comments and suggestions made by members of the Executive Board at the 117th session during the discussions of the Programme and External Relations Commission, and to continue to make every effort to implement the recommendations made

by the Board at its previous sessions, particularly in 114 EX/Decision 8.3 concerning the review of budgeting techniques.

(117 EX/SR.21)

5.1.3 Unesco's contribution to the attainment of the objectives of the new international economic order : Report of the Director-General (117 EX/6)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/6,
2. Takes note of its content.

(117 EX/SR.18, 19)

5.1.4 Unesco's contribution to the improvement of the status of women: Report of the Director-General (117 EX/7 and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/7,
2. Takes note of its content.

(117 EX/SR.21)

5.1.5 Printed Report of the Director-General on the Activities of the Organization in 1981-1983 (23 C/3): Structure of the report and report of the Special Committee thereon (117 EX/SP/2 and 117 EX/5)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the proposals of the Director-General for the main chapter headings and other structural features of the report which he will draw up on the activities of the Organization in 1981-1983 (23 C/3), and the report of the Special Committee thereon (117 EX/5) ,
2. Expresses its satisfaction with the general tenor of the proposals made by the Director-General on the structure of the report;
3. Invites the Director-General, in drawing up his report, to take into consideration the various suggestions made with regard to document 23 C/3;
4. Awaits with interest the opportunity to examine this report.

(117 EX/SR.20)

5.2 Education

5.2.1 Invitations to the Fifth Regional Conference of Ministers of Education and Those Responsible for Economic Planning Asia and the Pacific (117 EX/8 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the General Conference at its fourth extraordinary session authorized the Director-General to base the biennial programming of activities for the period 1984-1989, inter alia, on the constituent Programme IV. 1 'Contribution to the formulation and application of education policies' and having regard to the appropriate proposed resolution 4.1 of the draft programme for 1984-1985 regarding the convening of the Fifth Regional Conference of Ministers of Education and Those Responsible for Economic Planning in Asia and the Pacific (MINEDAP V) in 1984,
2. Having examined the Director-General's proposals concerning invitations to this Conference (117 EX/8),
3. Decides:
  - (a) that invitations to participate in the Conference with the right to vote shall be extended to all the Member States mentioned in paragraph 6 of document 117 EX/8;

- (b) that invitations to send observers to the Conference shall be extended to the states not members of Unesco and territories mentioned in paragraph 8 of document 117 EX/8;
- (c) that invitations to send representatives or observers to the Conference shall be extended to the organizations, funds and foundations listed in paragraphs 9, 10 and 11 of document 117 EX/8.

(117 EX/SR.1, 8)

5.2.2 United Nations University: Annual Report of the University Council and report of the Director-General (117 EX/9 and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board.

1. Notes with interest the Annual Report of the United Nations University Council and the relevant report of the Director-General (117 EX/9);
2. Congratulates the University Council on the dedicated and efficient way in which it has carried out its duties;
3. Notes with satisfaction the progress achieved by the University in the development of its programme and the strengthening of national capacities through training, including the training of young researchers from developing countries;
4. Welcomes the collaboration that has developed between the University and the agencies and institutions of the United Nations system, including Unesco, and scientific and academic bodies;
5. Expresses the wish that the University should define more clearly, in accordance with the provisions of its Charter, the exact nature of its activities and the manner in which they are executed, with the aim of fully affirming its originality and co-operating more effectively with other institutions and organizations;
6. Encourages the University to increase the number of associated institutions particularly in the developing countries, and to pursue its efforts to secure greater cultural and geographical diversity in the choice of institutions and countries co-operating with it;
7. Hopes that the new structures of the United Nations University will allow of constant interaction between its different divisions and will promote an interdisciplinary approach in the carrying out of the University's programme;
8. Encourages the University Council to complete the preparation of the Statutes of the University as soon as possible in order to pursue the application of the Medium-Term Perspective with even greater efficiency;
9. Joins with the University Council in paying tribute to its outgoing members for the dedicated and efficient way in which they carried out their work;
10. Thanks the Member States and the various bodies that are recontributing to the Endowment Fund, the Operating Fund and the University's activities and projects;
11. Ho es that new contributions from Member States and various interested bodies will be added to those already received;
12. Expresses its gratitude to the Government of Japan and the Administration of Metropolitan Tokyo for their continuing support for the United Nations University ;
13. Invites the Director-General to transmit to the Chairman of the United Nations University Council and to the Rector the record of the deliberations of the 117th session of the Executive Board relating to the United Nations University, together with the relevant documents and the text of the present decision.

(117 EX/SR.21)

5.2.3 Invitations to the 39th session of the International Conference on Education (117 EX/10 and Corr. and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered the Director-General's proposals concerning invitations to the 39th session of the International Conference on Education (117 EX/10 and Corr.),
2. Decides, subject to the adoption by the General Conference, at its twenty-second session, of a resolution authorizing the organization of this Conference,
  - (a) to invite to the 39th session of the International Conference on Education all Member States and Associate Member(s) of Unesco;
  - (b) to invite the non-Member States listed in paragraph 5 of document 117 EX/10, and any other state which may become a member of any one of the organizations of the United Nations system prior to the opening of the Conference, to send observers to the Conference;
  - (c) to invite the organizations listed in paragraphs 6-10 of document 117 EX/10 and Corr. to send representatives or observers to the Conference.

(117 EX/SR.1, 8)

5.2.4 Fourth consultation of Member States on the implementation of the Convention and Recommendation against Discrimination in Education: Examination of the reports submitted by states up to 31 May 1983 (117 EX/CR/ED/1 and 117 EX/12)

The Executive Board,

1. Considering resolution 1/1.1/2 in which the General Conference at its twentieth session took note with satisfaction of the work done by the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations and adopted the recommendations set out in that Committee's report (20 C/40), particularly in regard to the timetable of future activities,
2. Recalling that at its 113th session it approved the questionnaire prepared by the Committee for use in the fourth consultation of Member States on the implementation of the Convention and Recommendation against Discrimination in Education (113 EX/Decision 5.2.7),
3. Having examined the report (117 EX/12) submitted to it by the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations at the end of the first phase of the fourth consultation, the results of which will be presented to the General Conference at its twenty-third session,
4. Requests the Director-General to send a reminder to Member States which have not yet replied to the questionnaire;
5. Invites those states to prepare their reports and send them to the Director-General as soon as possible;
6. Invites Member States which have not yet done so to become States Party to the Convention.

(117 EX/SR.20)

5.3 Natural Sciences and their Application to Development

5.3.1 Invitations to the Second Conference of Ministers of Arab States Responsible for the Application of Science and Technology to Development (CASTARAB II) (117 EX/14 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Having regard to resolution 2.121, adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session, on the Programme for Natural Sciences and their Application to Development, and paragraph 2068 of the Organization's Approved Programme and Budget for 1981-1983 (21 C/5 Approved),
2. Taking into account the proposed resolution 9.1 of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1984-1985 (22 C/5) to be discussed at the twenty-second session of the General Conference,

3. Having regard to the provisions of the Regulations for the general classification of the various categories of meetings convened by Unesco,
4. Having considered the Director-General's proposals concerning invitations to this Conference (117 EX/14),
5. Decides :
  - (a) that invitations to participate in the Conference with the right to vote shall be extended to the Member States listed in paragraph 9 of document 117 EX/14;
  - (b) that invitations to send observers to the Conference shall be extended to the non-Member States listed in paragraph 10 of document 117 EX/14;
  - (c) that invitations to send observers to the Conference shall be extended to the Palestine Liberation Organization recognized by the League of Arab States, mentioned in paragraph 11 of document 117 EX/14;
  - (d) that invitations to send representatives or observers to the Conference shall be extended to the organizations and foundations listed in paragraphs 12, 13 and 14 of document 117 EX/14.

(117 EX/SR.1, 8)

#### 5.4 Culture

##### 5.4.1 Establishment of a liaison office for Mediterranean cultures (117 EX/15 and Corr. and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Taking into consideration Recommendation No. 169 of the World Conference on Cultural Policies (MONDIACULT) and the relevant provisions of the Second Medium-Term Plan (4 XC/4) and of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1984-1985 (22 C/5),
2. Greatly appreciating the proposal made by Mr Erdal Inonu, a member of the Executive Board, concerning the establishment of a liaison office for Mediterranean cultures (117 EX 115 and Corr. ) ,
3. Approving the principle underlying this proposal,
4. Requests the Director-General to examine all aspects of the matter (programme, administrative and budgetary implications), to approach the Member States, organizations and institutions concerned and to report on this question to the Executive Board at its 120th session.

(117 EX/SR.22)

#### 5.5 International Standards and Legal Affairs

##### 5.5.1 Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education: Transmission to the General Conference of the list of persons nominated to fill the seats that are to become vacant in 1983 (117 EX/16 and Add. and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling the provisions of Article 3 of the Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education,
2. Having examined the list of persons nominated by the States Parties to the aforementioned Protocol for the purpose of the election of four members of the Commission, which the Director-General has submitted to it in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 2, of the said Protocol (117 EX/16 and Add. ) ,
3. Transmits this list to the General Conference.

(117 EX/SR.22)



- 5.5.2 Report of the Conciliation and Good Offices Commission responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education on its activities since the twenty-first session of the General Conference (117 EX/17 and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling the provisions of Article 19 of the Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education,
2. Transmits to the General Conference the Commission's report on its activities since the twenty-first session of the General Conference.

(117 EX/SR.22)

- 5.6 Office of Public Information

- 5.6.1 Unesco's patronage for a film on the life and work of Jan Amos Comenius (1592-1670) (117 EX/35 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Informed of the request made by the Czechoslovak Commission for Unesco to the Director-General with a view to securing the Organization's patronage of a film devoted to the life and work of Jan Amos Comenius.
2. Recalling its decisions 30 EX/Decision 12.2 and 37 EX/Decision 13.1 concerning the conditions for granting Unesco's patronage,
3. Authorizes the Director-General to grant Unesco's patronage to the film being produced in Czechoslovakia on the life and work of Jan Amos Comenius.

(117 EX/SR.1, 8)

ITEM 6 GENERAL CONFERENCE

- 6.1 Revised agenda of the twenty-second session of the General Conference

Having been informed by the Director-General that no Member State or Associate Member had, within the time-limit laid down in Rule 11, paragraph 1, of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, requested the inclusion of supplementary items on the agenda of the twenty-second session of the General Conference, the Board decided to delete item 6.1 from the agenda of its 117th session.

(117 EX/SR.1, 10)

- 6.2 Organization of the work of the twenty-second session of the General Conference (117 EX/13)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/13,
2. Recommends to the General Conference that it refer as follows the items which, submitted at least one hundred days before the opening of the session, but subsequent to the 116th session of the Executive Board, have been placed on the provisional agenda in pursuance of Rule 9, paragraph 1, of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference:

Item 66 Admission of the Netherlands Antilles as Associate Member to the Organization (item proposed by the Netherlands) to a plenary meeting (Wednesday, 26 October)

Item 67 The role of Unesco in improving the situation of young people, in ensuring the exercise of their rights and fundamental freedoms and in encouraging their aspirations towards participation and co-responsibility in the solution of the most pressing problems of mankind within a national, regional and international framework (item proposed by the German Democratic Republic) to a plenary meeting (within the framework of the general policy debate)



Item 68 Report by the Director-General on the application and measures to ensure the implementation of the Declaration on fundamental principles concerning the contribution of the mass media to strengthening peace and international understanding, to the promotion of human rights and to countering racialism, apartheid and incitement to war (item proposed by the USSR) to Programme Commission IV (under Unit 4 and item 61).

(117 EX/SR.10)

6.3 Place of the twenty-third session of the General Conference (117 EX/19)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/19 concerning the invitation from the People's Republic of Bulgaria to hold the twenty-third session of the General Conference in Sofia,
2. Noting that the Organization has received no other invitation to hold the twenty-third session of the General Conference outside Unesco Headquarters,
3. Warmly thanking the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria for the generosity of its offer,
4. Notes that a large majority of Board members are in favour of accepting this invitation ;
5. Notes nevertheless that other Board members consider that the twenty-third session of the General Conference should be held at the Organization's Headquarters;
6. Decides to submit the invitation to the General Conference with the request that it take account of the view of the majority of the Board members, and of the points of view expressed by the other Board members as presented in the summary records of the discussion;
7. Decides further to place on the agenda of the Executive Board, at its 120th session, the question of criteria for considering invitations to hold the conferences outside Headquarters, and the frequency of such conferences.

(117 EX/SR.10, 11, 12, 13, 24)

6.4 Submission of nominations for the offices of President and Vice-Presidents of the General Conference and of Chairmen of the Commissions and Committees

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The Executive Board decided, in private meeting, to recommend that, for its twenty-second session, the General Conference increase the number of Vice-Presidents from 32 to 34 and to that effect suspend the application of the provisions of paragraph 1 of both Rule 25 and Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, in respect of the number of Vice-Presidents indicated therein.

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The Executive Board, also in private meeting, decided to make the following recommendations concerning nominations for the offices of President and Vice-Presidents of the General Conference and for the offices of Chairmen of the Commissions and Committees :

President of the General Conference: Mr Said M. Tell (Jordan)

Vice-Presidents : the heads of delegation of the following Member States: Australia, Benin, Brazil, Burundi, China, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Ethiopia, France, Federal Republic of Germany, Ghana, Guinea, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Japan, Lesotho, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Saint Lucia, Sao Tome and Principe, Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Thailand, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Yemen Arab Republic,

Chairmen of Commissions and Committees:

Programme Commission I : Mr Alberto Wagner de Reyna (Peru)

Programme Commission II: Mr Tchavdar Kuranov (Bulgaria)

Programme Commission III: Mr Erdal Inonu (Turkey)

Programme Commission IV: Mrs Hanne Sondergaard (Denmark)

Programme Commission V: Mr Iba Der Thiam (Senegal)

Administrative Commission: Mr Azzedine Guellouz (Tunisia)

Nominations Committee: Mr Antoine Ndinga Oba (Congo)

Credentials Committee: Mr Nadarajah Balasubramaniam (Sri Lanka)

Legal Committee: Dr Carlos Maria Santillan (Argentina)

Headquarters Committee: Mr Abdellatif Rahal (Algeria)

(117 EX/SR.16)

6.5 Consideration of requests by international non-governmental organizations (other than those in categories A and B) to be represented by observers at the twenty-second session of the General Conference (117 EX/20 and Add.)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined, in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the requests submitted by international non-governmental organizations to be represented by observers at the twenty-second session of the General Conference (117 EX/20 and Add.),
2. Decides to recommend to the General Conference that it admit as observers at its twenty-second session the following organizations in category C and authorize their representatives to participate, as those organizations have requested, in the discussion of major programmes falling within their fields of competence:

Lions International: Major Programme X;

World Press Freedom Committee: Major Programme III;

International Radio and Television University: Major Programmes III and VII.

(117 EX/SR.22)

ITEM 7 RELATIONS WITH MEMBER STATES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

7.1 Recent decisions and activities of the organizations of the United Nations system of relevance to the work of Unesco (117 EX/21 and Add. and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board.

1. Having examined document 117 EX/21 and Add.,
2. Notes its content.

(117 EX/SR.22)

7.2 Operational activities for development (117 EX /22 and 117 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered the Director-General's report on operational activities for development (117 EX /22),
2. Takes note of the observations of the Director-General of Unesco regarding the report of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation:

3. Congratulates the Director-General on the modest yet regular increase that he has managed to achieve over the past four years in the extra-budgetary resources devoted to activities relating to development, despite the difficulties mentioned in document 117 EX/22;
4. Invites Member States once again to increase their contributions to operational activities for development and in particular to the general UNDP resources, which are distributed according to the Indicative Planning Figures;
5. Fully supports the Director-General's efforts to strengthen co-operation with the Development Banks;
6. Thanks the Member States whose contributions to funds-in-trust managed by Unesco have substantially assisted its operational action and the developing countries that benefit from this action, and invites the Director-General to continue his efforts to increase still further the resources made available to the Organization on this basis;
7. Expresses its conviction that the activities planned in the Draft Programme and Budget for 1984-1985 (22 C/5), in particular under Programmes 2 and 3 of Major Programme VIII (Principles, methods and strategies of action for development) , can provide a solid basis for strengthening the Organization's action to further the development of its Member States;
8. Invites the Director-General to inform the Executive Board at its 119th session of developments in the matters dealt with in document 117 EX/22.

(117 EX/SR.22)

7.3 Draft agreement between Unesco and the African Centre for Applied Research and Training in Social Development (ACARTSOD) (117 EX/23 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board.

1. Having examined the draft agreement between Unesco and the African Centre for Applied Research and Training in Social Development (ACARTSOD) which is contained in the Annex to document 117 EX/23,
2. Approves this draft agreement;
3. Authorizes the Director-General to sign the agreement on behalf of the Organization.

(117 EX/SR.1, 8)

7.4 Draft agreement between Unesco and the Italian-Latin American Institute (ILAI) (117 EX/24 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling that at its 116th session it authorized the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Secretary-General of ILAI with a view to preparing a draft agreement between Unesco and the Institute and to submit the said draft agreement to the Executive Board for approval (116 EX/Decision 7.8),
2. Having examined the document entitled 'Draft agreement between Unesco and the Italian-Latin American Institute (ILAI)' (117 EX/24) submitted by the Director-General,
3. Approves this draft agreement;
4. Authorizes the Director-General to sign the agreement on behalf of the Organization,

(117 EX/SR.1, 8)

7.5 Possible co-operation agreement between Unesco and the University for Peace (117 EX/25 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/25 submitted by the Director-General regarding the possibility of establishing relations between the University for Peace and Unesco,

2. Authorizes the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the President of the Council of the University for Peace, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article XI of Unesco's Constitution, with a view to preparing a draft agreement establishing effective working relations between Unesco and the University ;
3. Invites the Director-General to submit this draft agreement to the Executive Board for approval at one of its forthcoming session.

(117 EX/SR.I. 8)

7.6 Relations with the Gulf States Information Documentation Centre (117 EX/26 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/26 submitted to it by the Director-General concerning relations with the Gulf States Information Documentation Centre,
2. Authorizes the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Gulf States Information Documentation Centre, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article XI of Unesco's Constitution, with a view to preparing a draft agreement establishing effective working relations between the two organizations;
3. Invites the Director-General to submit this draft agreement to the Executive Board for approval at one of its forthcoming sessions.

(117 EX/SR.I. 8)

7.7 Relations with the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) (117 EX/33 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/33 submitted by the Director-General regarding the possibility of establishing relations between the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) and Unesco,
2. Authorizes the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Director-General the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) , in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article XI of Unesco's Constitution, with a view to preparing a draft agreement establishing effective working relations between Unesco and ISESCO;
3. Invites the Director-General to submit this draft agreement to the Executive Board for approval at one of its forthcoming sessions.

(117 EX/SR.I. 8)

7.8 Draft agreement between Unesco and the Arab States Broadcasting Union (ASBU) (117 EX/34 and 117 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the draft agreement between Unesco and the Arab States Broadcasting Union (ASBU) which is contained in the Annex to document 117 EX/34,
2. Approves this draft agreement;
3. Authorizes the Director-General to sign the agreement on behalf of the Organization.

(117 EX/SR.I. 8)

ITEM 8 ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS

8.1 Proposed transfers between appropriation lines within the budget for 1981-1983 (117 EX/27 and 117 EX/36)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the transfers proposed by the Director-General within the 1981-1983 budget in accordance with the terms of the Appropriation Resolution

approved by the General Conference at its twenty-first session (21 C/Resolution 8.1, paragraph I.A(d)) (117 EX/27) and the report of its Finance and Administrative Commission thereon,

2. Approves the following transfers to cover increases, due to inflation, in certain costs of the General Conference and the Executive Board:

<u>Appropriation line</u>	<u>To</u> <u>\$</u>	<u>From</u> <u>\$</u>
1.1 General Conference	492,600	
I.2 Executive Board	183,670	
II.1 Education		328,220
II.2 Natural Sciences and their Application to Development		237,700
II.3 Social Sciences and their Applications		14,170
II.4 Culture and Communication		96,180
	<u>676,270</u>	<u>676,270</u>

(117 EX/SR.16)

- 8.2 Gifts, bequests and subventions and report on the establishment and closure of trust funds, reserves and special accounts (117 EX/28 and Add. and 117 EX/36)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the Director-General's report concerning gifts, bequests and subventions and report on the establishment and closure of trust funds, reserves and special accounts, as contained in document 117 EX/28 and Add., and the report of its Finance and Administrative Commission thereon,
2. Expresses its appreciation to the Government of Norway for its generous donation to strengthen the activities of the Organization;
3. Expresses further its appreciation to the Fundacion Vilmax, the Institut Jacques Maritain, the International Council for Philosophy and Humanistic Studies, the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation and the Conseil de recherches en sciences humaines du Canada, for their generous donations to strengthen the activities of the Organization;
4. Authorizes the Director-General to accept the contribution of \$76,000 from Norway and to add:

for execution in 1983:

\$46,100 to Appropriation Line II. 3 - Social Sciences and their Applications - for an expert meeting on the role of women in national liberation movements (paragraph 3258 of 21 C/5 Approved) and for the preparation of related audio-visual materials;

for execution in 1984:

\$29,900 to Appropriation Line II.A XIII - Peace, International Understanding, Human Rights and the Rights of Peoples (Sub-programme X111.4.1, programme action 4, paragraph 13413 of 22 C/5) - for the production of audio-visual materials and the organization of national seminars on the role of women in national liberation movements;

5. Further authorizes the Director-General, on receipt of the funds, to accept and to add the following to the appropriations for 1981-1983;
  - (a) Appropriation Line II. 2 - Natural Sciences and their Application to Development:

\$10,000 from the Fundacion Vilmax for strengthening the programme in applied microbiology and biotechnology (paragraphs 2115-2116 of 21 C/5 Approved) ;
  - (b) Appropriation Line II. 3 - Social Sciences and their Applications:
    - (i) \$10,000 from the Institut Jacques Maritain towards the costs of a meeting of experts on philosophical investigation of the fundamental problems of endogenous development, in Libreville, Gabon, 19-22 December 1983 (paragraph 3090 of 21 C/5 Approved);

- (ii) \$4,133, \$20,000 and \$10,569 from the International Council for Philosophy and Humanistic Studies, the Ambassador International Culture Foundation, and the Conseil de recherches en sciences humaines du Canada respectively, towards the costs of a symposium on transcultural universals, in Ottawa, Canada, 15-19 August 1983 (paragraph 3064 of 21 C/5 Approved).

(117 EX/SR.16)

- 8.3 Consideration of communications from Member States invoking the provisions of Article IV. C 8(c) of the Constitution concerning the voting rights of Member States in arrears with their contributions, and recommendations of the Executive Board thereon (117 EX/29 and Add.1 and 2 and 117 EX/36)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/29 and Add. 1 and 2,
2. Having examined the communications received from Chad, the Dominican Republic and Paraguay, invoking the terms of Article IV.C 8 (c) of the Constitution,
3. Noting that in the case of these Member States the non-payment of arrears of contributions is due, according to the information supplied by them, to circumstances beyond their control,
4. Recommends that the General Conference, by virtue of the powers invested in it under Article IV.C 8(c) of the Constitution, should authorize these Member States to vote at the twenty-second session.

(117 EX/SR.16)

- 8.4 Financial report and audited financial statements relating to the United Nations Development Programme as at 31 December 1982, together with the report of the External Auditor (117 EX/30 and Add. and 117 EX/36)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/30 and Add.,
2. Noting the conclusions of the External Auditor concerning the execution by Unesco of operational projects on behalf of UNDP, contained in paragraphs 4 to 16 of his report,
3. Expresses its concern at the delays on the part of governments in meeting their obligations as laid down in the programme documents of UNDP projects executed by Unesco, and appeals to governments to fulfil these obligations to the best of their ability, so as to ensure proper execution of the projects:
4. Expresses the hope that the bodies responsible for project planning and execution will be more realistic in determining the inputs expected from recipient states;
5. Decides to transmit to the General Conference the report of the External Auditor together with the audited financial statements relating to funds of the United Nations Development Programme as at 31 December 1982.

(117 EX/SR.16)

- 8.5 Financial report and audited interim financial statements of Unesco as at 31 December 1982 for the financial period ending 31 December 1983, together with the report of the External Auditor (117 EX/31 and Add. and 117 EX/36)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 117 EX/31 and Add.,
2. Thanks the Director-General for the quality of his well-documented financial report on the interim accounts of the Organization as at 31 December 1982, and expresses its satisfaction with the excellent work of the External Auditor;
3. Notes with satisfaction the agreement between the External Auditor and the Director-General on most of the points raised, notably on the subject of evaluation, but nevertheless invites the Director-General to continue to pay to evaluation the importance it deserves;

4. Reminds Member States of their obligation to pay their contributions promptly so as to avoid difficulties with the proper execution of the programme;
5. Requests the Director-General to make a more detailed study of the problems involved in international invitations to tender for any future construction projects;
6. Decides to transmit to the General Conference the report of the Finance and Administrative Commission of the Execution Board at its 117th session and in particular the discussion on the comments made by the External Auditor relating to evaluation, funds-in-trust overhead accounts, tendering procedures, and on payroll computerized systems;
7. Decides to transmit to the General Conference the report of the External Auditor together with the audited financial statements on the interim accounts of Unesco as at 31 December 1982 for the financial period ending 31 December 1983.

(117 EX/SR.16)

8.6 Geographical distribution of staff and general medium-term plan (1984-1989) for the recruitment and renewal of the staff (117 EX/32 and 117 EX/36)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling resolution 30.11 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-first session ,
2. Having examined the report submitted by the Director-General on the geographical distribution of staff and the general medium-term plan (1984-1989) for the recruitment and renewal of the staff (117 EX/32),
3. Thanks the Director-General for the high quality of his report and the details it contains ;
4. Expresses its satisfaction with the considerable progress made by the Organization in improving geographical distribution within the Secretariat;
5. Notes with satisfaction the efforts made concerning the recruitment of women to fill professional posts at all levels of the Secretariat;
6. Requests the Director-General to continue to improve recruitment methods and procedures and to endeavour to achieve the broadest possible geographical representation at all levels, special attention being given to Member States that are unrepresented or under-represented, and to the recruitment of women;
7. Takes note of the general objectives for the period 1984-1989 set out in paragraphs 23-29 of document 22 C/56, and invites the General Conference to request the Director-General, in the interest-r-eater equity, to carry out a study on the possibility of reviewing the quotas currently assigned to Member States, taking into consideration all possible alternatives, in particular those put forward during the debate and the suggestions made by some members of the Finance and Administration Commission during consideration of item 8.6;
8. Invites the Director-General to submit a preliminary report on the question to the General Conference at its twenty-second session;
9. Recalls that, as the regulations stipulate, subject to the paramount consideration of securing the highest standards of integrity, efficiency and technical competence, appointment to the staff shall be on as wide a geographical basis as possible;
10. Invites the Director-General to take steps to see that, to the greatest extent possible, nationals from all Member States are more widely represented in the staff of the General Service category.

(117 EX/SR.16)



8.7 Consultations pursuant to Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board

The announcement to be found at the end of these decisions reports on the Board's deliberations on this subject.

(117 EX/SR.21)

ITEM 9 OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Report of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations: Examination of communications transmitted to the Committee in accordance with 104 EX/Decision 3.3 (117 EX/18 PRIV.)

The announcement to be found at the end of these decisions reports on the Board's deliberations on this subject.

(117 EX/SR.21)

9.2 Hundredth anniversary of the birth of Ortega y Gasset

The Executive Board.

3. Bearing in mind that 1983 marks the hundredth anniversary of the birth, in Madrid on 9 May 1883, of Jose' Ortega y Gasset,
2. Mindful also that Ortega y Gasset was persecuted and subjected to reprisals at the hands of the Franco dictatorship, and that there is an ethical obligation to reinstate his image at the international level,
3. Considering also that it is undeniable that Ortega y Gasset's works constitute part of the cultural heritage of all mankind, that they have been translated into practically all languages and that his thinking on the concepts of culture and history tends towards:
  - (a) the affirmation of the cultural identity of peoples through the philosophical concept of 'circumstance'.
  - (b) the search for autochthonous cultural roots through historical investigation of that 'circumstance',
  - (c) the rejection of all forms of ideological colonialism, by working upon intellectual categories derived from the cultural background itself,
  - (d) the reaffirmation of the ideals of the person and of freedom as an asset for Latin American and all peoples of the world in their quest for liberty and individualism over totalitarianism,
4. Noting that despite the controversial and contradictory nature of much of his work - was he a philosopher or only a great writer, was he a humanist or a man of letters, did he belong politically to the right or the left? - one thing is certain: his contribution to a history of Latin American ideas, further developed in particular by his Spanish disciples exiled in Latin America after the Spanish Civil War and by their followers in all the countries where they are to be found, is so great that the works of Ortega y Gasset constitute a real contribution to the development of the cultural identity of those peoples and to the establishment of a history of the ideas on which to base their solidarity,
5. Noting also that the educational foundations of the work of Ortega y Gasset may also provide the peoples of the Third World with valuable ideas in their search for identity and intellectual development,
6. Mindful that some aspects of his thinking have helped to develop Latin American solidarity, promoted in particular by educators,
7. Bearing in mind the value of his philosophy as a theoretical instrument with which to seek the cultural identity of the peoples of the developing countries,
8. Further taking into account the educational significance of his work,
9. Requests the Director-General to take all possible steps to associate Unesco with the celebration of this anniversary.

(117 EX/SR.22)



9.3 Centenary of the birth of Pedro Henriquez Urena

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the centenary of the birth of Pedro Henriquez Urena, the great luminary of twentieth century Hispano-American culture, will be commemorated on 29 June 1984,
2. Considering furthermore that, in all Spanish-speaking American and Caribbean countries, tributes to his memory are being planned in order to glorify still further, if that were possible, the outstanding achievements of this illustrious son of the Dominican Republic, both as a writer, professor and researcher and in other civic and educational work, for the furtherance of the spiritual values of the peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean, whom he united in recognition of their distinctive features and of their shared aspirations to the ideals of justice and culture,
3. Recalling that the influence of Pedro Henriquez Urena has spread throughout the American continent, since, as a professor in the United States of America, he called for a better understanding of Latin America and the Caribbean and reinforced that influence through his teaching in higher education in Cuba, Mexico, Santo Domingo and Spain, and finally in Argentina, where he practised his profession for twenty years until his death on 11 May 1946,
4. Invites the Director-General to take all possible steps to associate Unesco with the commemoration of the centenary of the birth of Pedro Henriquez Urena.

(117 EX/SR.22)

ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING THE PRIVATE MEETINGS HELD ON 7 AND 12 OCTOBER 1983

6.4 Submission of nominations for the offices of President and Vice-Presidents of the General Conference and for the offices of Chairmen of the Commissions and Committees

At the private meeting which it held on 7 October 1983, the Board examined, under item 6.4 of its agenda, the recommendations concerning nominations for the offices of President and Vice-Presidents of the General Conference and for the offices of Chairmen of its Commissions and Committees.

In this connection the Board decided to recommend that, for its twenty-second session, the General Conference increase the number of Vice-Presidents from thirty-two to thirty-four and to this effect suspend the application of the provisions of paragraph 1 of Rules 25 and 38 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference in respect of the number of Vice-Presidents indicated therein.

(117 EX/SR.16)

8.7 Consultations pursuant to Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board

During its private meeting on 12 October 1983, the Executive Board heard the report which the Director-General, in accordance with decision 8.5 adopted by the Executive Board at its 116th session, submitted regarding the question of an official of the Secretariat who has been unable to return to his post.

The Executive Board took note of that report, in which the Director-General indicated that he would continue his efforts to seek a satisfactory solution to the problem confronting the Organization.

In reply to a question, the Director-General also provided clarifications regarding the situation of other officials of the Secretariat.

9.1 Report of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations: Examination of communications transmitted to the Committee in accordance with 104 EX/Decision 3.3

During its private meeting on 12 October 1983, the Executive Board examined the report of its Committee on Conventions and Recommendations concerning this item (117 EX/18 PRIV.).

It took note of that report and endorsed the Committee's wishes expressed therein.

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