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1. During the 140th session (at its first meeting on 12 October 1992), the Executive Board adopted decision 8.6 by which it decided 'that the member of the Executive Board of UNESCO elected following nomination by the Government of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia shall not participate in the work of the Executive Board'.

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## **ITEM 1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (142 EX/1)**

At its first meeting the Executive Board adopted the agenda as set out in document 142 EX/1.

The Executive Board decided to refer to the commissions and committees specified below the following items of its agenda:

1. Programme and External Relations Commission: items 5.1.1 (Part II), 5.1.3, 5.2.1, 5.3.1, 5.3.5, 5.4.1, 5.5.1 to 5.5.3, 5.5.5, 5.5.6, 7.2 and 7.4.
2. Finance and Administrative Commission: items 3.1.3 (only for aspects concerning the group of experts), 3.5.1, 4.1, 5.1.1 (Part III), 5.3.2, 5.5.4, 8.1 to 8.7 and 8.9.
3. Committee on International Non-Governmental Organizations: item 7.3.

(142 EX/SR.1)

### **1.1 Replacement of a member during his term of office (142 EX/NOM/1)**

In accordance with Article V. A.6(C) of the Constitution, the Executive Board appointed Mr Giancarlo Leo (Italy) to replace Mr Michelangelo Jacobucci for the remainder of his term of office.

(142 EX/SR.1)

## **ITEM 2 APPROVAL OF THE SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE 141st SESSION (141 EX/SR.1- 16)**

The Executive Board approved the summary records of its 141st session.

(142 EX/SR.1)

## **ITEM 3 METHODS OF WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION**

### **3.1 Executive Board**

#### **3.1.1 Report by the Bureau on questions that do not appear to require debate (142 EX/2)**

The Executive Board approved the proposals by the Bureau contained in document 142 EX/2 concerning items 5.3.3 'Invitations to the fifth Conference of Ministers of Education and those Responsible for Economic Planning in the Arab States (MINEDARAB V)', 5.3.4 'Invitations to the forty-fourth session of the International Conference on Education', 5.6.1 '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 seats falling vacant in 1993', 5.6.2 'Report of the 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 on its work since the twenty-sixth session of the General Conference', 7.5 'Relations with the Commonwealth of Learning (COL)', 7.6 'Relations with the International Centre for Agriculture and the Biosciences (C.A.B. International)', with the exception of the proposal concerning item 5.3.5 'Amendment to the Statutes of the International Advisory Committee for the International Project on Technical and Vocational Education (UNEVOC)', which it decided to refer to the Programme and External Relations Commission.

(142 EX/SR.1)

### **3.1.2 Implementation of 26 C/Resolution 19.3(111), subparagraphs 6(a) and 6(c)** (142 EX/4 and 142 EX/46)

#### **Amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/4, 'Implementation of 26 C/Resolution 19.3(111), subparagraphs 6(a) and 6(c)',
2. Approves the following amendments to its Rules of Procedure, which are necessary so that the Board in its newly constituted form can start work immediately after the end of the twenty-seventh session of the General Conference, subject to the understanding that the amendments concerning Rules 56 to 60 are only temporary measures for that purpose and that further deliberations and possible amendments to Chapter XII (Rules 56 and 60 and annex) should be left to the newly constituted Board:

#### **Rule 1**

1. The Executive Board shall meet in regular session at least four times during a biennium.
2. The Board shall as a general rule hold at least two regular sessions per year.

#### **Rule 3**

1. The Executive Board may meet in special session if convoked by the Chairman on his own initiative or at the request of six members of the Board.
2. That request must be made in writing.

#### **Rule 9**

1. The Executive Board shall be elected by the General Conference, and it shall consist of 51 Member States. The President of the General Conference shall sit *ex officio* in an advisory capacity on the Executive Board.

2. Elected States Members of the Executive Board are hereinafter referred to as 'members' of the Executive Board.

3. Each State Member of the Executive Board shall appoint a representative. It may also appoint alternates.

4. In selecting its representative on the Executive Board, the State Member shall endeavour to appoint a person qualified in one or more of the fields of competence of UNESCO and with the necessary experience and capacity to fulfil the administrative and executive duties of the Board. Bearing in mind the importance of continuity, each representative shall be appointed for the duration of the term of the State Member, unless exceptional circumstances warrant his or her replacement. The alternates appointed by each State Member of the Board shall act in the absence of its representative in all his or her functions.

5. Each State Member of the Executive Board shall transmit to the Director-General in writing the name and curriculum vitae of its representative and the names of his or her alternates. It shall also inform the Director-General of any changes in those appointments. The Director-General shall communicate the above-mentioned information to the Chairman of the Executive Board.

#### **Rule 10**

To be deleted.

#### **Rule 11**

To be deleted.

#### **Rule 12**

1. At the opening of the session following each ordinary session of the General Conference the Board shall elect, from among the representatives of the Member States elected to the Executive Board, a chairman. The Board shall also elect six vice-chairmen from among its members. The chairman shall be elected by secret ballot. If the chairman finds that there is a lack of consensus regarding the election of the vice-chairmen an election by secret ballot shall be held.

2. The chairman shall not be immediately re-eligible. At the end of the two-year mandate of the outgoing chairman a new chairman shall be elected from among the representatives of the other members of the Board.

#### **Rule 13**

If the chairman is for any reason unable to complete his term of office, the Board shall elect a successor, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 12, to replace him for the remainder of the term.

### **Rule 16**

2. The chairmen of the commissions, the Special Committee, the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations and the Committee on International Non-Governmental Organizations shall be elected by the Board by secret ballot from among the representatives appointed by the members elected to the Board.

3. If a chairman of a commission or *any* other subsidiary body is for any reason unable to complete his term of office, the Board shall elect by secret ballot a successor to replace him for the remainder of the term.

**(Renumber Rules 16.3 and 16.4 as 16.4 and 16.5)**

### **Rule 26**

1. At meetings of the Board the quorum shall consist of 26 of its members.

### **Rule 29**

3. Any member of the Board may take part in the work of subsidiary organs to which it has not been appointed. In such cases, and unless the Board decides otherwise, it shall not have the right to vote.

### **Rule 49**

1. The nomination of a candidate for the post of Director-General shall be decided by secret ballot.

### **Rule 56**

The Organization shall pay for travel by the representatives of the members of the Board in the execution of their duties as members and shall provide them with a subsistence allowance, on the conditions defined in the annex to these rules.

### **Rule 59**

The representatives appointed by members of the Board shall not, during their term of office, accept from the Organization payment of any expenses or allowances other than those provided for in Rules 56, 57 and 58. They shall not receive any fees or remuneration from the Organization during their term of office.

### **Rule 60**

No representative appointed by a member of the Board shall be eligible for appointment by the Director-General to any post in the Secretariat during the period for which the Member State of which he or she is a national was elected by the General Conference to membership of the Board.



## ANNEX

In the annex, every time the word 'member' appears, replace it by 'representative appointed by the member'.

(142 EX/SR.9)

### **3.1.3 Report by the Executive Board to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session on measures taken to implement 26 C/Resolution 19.3 (Part III, para.6(b))**

#### I

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 26 C/Resolution 19.3, particularly the part that requests the Executive Board to report to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session on appropriate measures to improve the structure and working methods of the Executive Board in its new form, for example by establishing a small advisory committee on administrative and budgetary questions, as was done by the Executive Board at its 136th session, and by instituting such arrangements as will enable thorough intercessional preparatory and follow-up work,
2. Encourages its members and the Member States of UNESCO to examine the existing mechanism and measures to improve the structure and working methods of the Executive Board, including such possible arrangements as will enable thorough intersessional preparatory and follow-up work in order to permit substantive discussions on the subject by the Board in its new form;
3. Decides to include an item in the agendas for its future sessions worded as follows: 'Measures to be taken to implement paragraph III.6(b) of 26 C/Resolution 19.3'.

(142 EX/SR.7, 9 and 10)

#### II

### **Group of Experts on Financial and Administrative Matters (142 EX/47)**

The Executive Board,

1. Appreciating the time and effort put in by the experts and the provision of experts by Member States,
2. Acknowledges the assistance and co-operation provided by the Secretariat, which greatly facilitated the work of the group;
3. Considers that the work done by the experts was done in a spirit of collaboration and great competence and was of great assistance and value to both the Secretariat and the Finance and Administrative Commission of the Executive Board;

4. Considers that the work of the group has enhanced understanding by Member States of UNESCO's finances and management and that the outputs produced by the group are of lasting value to UNESCO;
5. Recommends that the Executive Board establish at its 143rd session a group of experts with an unchanged mandate and on the basis of balanced geographical representation and define the necessary regulations to enable it to function effectively, and that the current practice of financing their participation be maintained;
6. Notes for the record that the following participated in the work of the group of experts: Mr Alberto Carri (Argentina), Mr Paul Dobreano and Mr Dimitru Constantinescu (Romania), Mr Anatoly Egochkine (Russian Federation), Ms Maria Cristina de la Garza and Ms Zadalinda Gonzalez y Reynero (Mexico), Mr Patrick Massao Kindiano and Mr Kassim Hussein (United Republic of Tanzania), Mr Lothar Koch (Germany), Ms Savitri Kunadi, replaced by Ms Nina Sibal and Mr Gollerkery Vishwanath Rao (India), Mr Béchir Mahjoub and Ms Radhia Moussa (Tunisia), Mr Shahid Minto (Canada), Mr Massaya Otsuka and Mr Masahiro Nakata (Japan), Mr Alfred Rakotonjanahary and Ms Robertine Raonimahary (Madagascar), and Mr Ali Zaid (Yemen).

(142 EX/SR.7, 9 and 10)

3.2 **Report by the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations: examination of' communications transmitted to the Committee in pursuance of' 104 EX/Decision 3.3 (142 EX/3 PRIV.)**

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

(142 EX/SR.12)

3.3 Name and terms of reference of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations (142 EX/5)

The Executive Board took note of the report by the Chairperson of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations concerning this item.

(142 EX/SR.12)

3.4 **Current status of the implementation of the recommendations adopted in 136 EX/Decision 3.3, concerning decentralization (142 EX/6 and 142 EX/46)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the Director-General's report, requested by it at its 141st session, on the current status of the implementation of the recommendations adopted in 136 EX/Decision 3.3, concerning decentralization,

2. Congratulates the Director-General on the excellence of his report, which highlights the efforts being made by the Secretariat to put into practice the policy of decentralization recommended by the Board in 136 EX/Decision 3.3;
3. Expresses its appreciation at the fact that the Director-General's report not only describes the considerable progress made in putting into effect various aspects of that policy but also speaks very frankly of the obstacles still being encountered, so that although decentralization is proceeding in the right direction it still suffers severe limitations and has been accomplished more fully in some regions and subregions than in others;
4. Notes the Director-General's intention to submit to it at its 144th session a 'Plan of Action for Decentralization' with a view to the implementation of the Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 (27 C/5);
5. Reiterates its conviction that the National Commissions for UNESCO have a key role to play in the implementation of the decentralization policy, as stated in 136 EX/Decision 3.3, and recommends that the Director-General bear that role closely in mind when drawing up the plan of action for decentralization;
6. Affirms that decentralization must stimulate mutual enrichment within regional frameworks and worldwide, which will best be achieved through the participation of regional and national intellectual communities;
7. Notes that the Secretariat has begun to try out in the field new decentralization strategies that will be continued in the next biennium and involve enhanced national collaboration, the setting up of regional teams and a search for new forms of collaboration in the field between bodies belonging to the United Nations system.

(142 EX/SR.11)

### **3.5 United Nations Joint Inspection Unit**

#### **3.5.1 Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit of interest to UNESCO (142 EX/7, 142 EX/46 and 142 EX/47)**

##### I

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the Director-General's report entitled 'Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit of interest to UNESCO' (142 EX/7),
2. Thanks the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) for the report entitled 'Field representation of United Nations system organizations: a more unitary approach' (JIU/REP/92/8);
3. Recognizes the need to improve the co-ordination of United Nations system activities in the field;

4. Welcomes the initiatives taken by the Secretary-General of the United Nations in moving towards more integrated field representation for the United Nations;
5. Welcomes also the broadening of the resident co-ordinator selection process to include staff of Specialized Agencies;
6. Notes that the long-term options proposed by the JIU aimed at giving the resident co-ordinator a more assertive policy profile with responsibility in political, development, human rights and humanitarian matters are still under consideration by ECOSOC and the United Nations General Assembly;
7. Endorses the Director-General's view that the major focus of the resident co-ordinator's function should remain 'development';
8. Considers that proposals for improved co-ordination must take into account both the regular programme and operational aspects of the activities of the Specialized Agencies;
9. Underlines the important role of the National Commissions for UNESCO and the need to reinforce the links between them and the resident co-ordinators;
10. Invites the Director-General to continue to inform it of developments concerning field representation, particularly at ECOSOC and the United Nations General Assembly.

(142 EX/SR.11)

## II

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the Director-General's report entitled 'Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit of interest to UNESCO' (142 EX/7),
2. Thanks the Joint Inspection Unit for the report entitled 'Management of buildings in the United Nations system' (JIU/REP/92/9);
3. Takes note of the conclusions and recommendations contained in that report and the Director-General's comments thereon.

(142 EX/SR.11)

## ITEM 4 PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 1994-1995

### 4.1 Final recommendations by the Executive Board on the proposed budget for 1994-1995 (27 C/5 Rev.1 and 142 EX/47)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling its decision, appearing in paragraph 83 of document 27 C/6, to submit to the General Conference, for approval, the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 (27 C/5), subject to the final recommendation on the proposed budget to be made at its 142nd session,
2. Noting that the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 (27 C/5 and 27 C/5 Rev. 1) has been prepared in accordance with the budgeting techniques decided by it at its 140th session (decision 4.1),
3. Notes that the revision submitted by the Director-General in document 27 C/5 Rev.1, which proposes the financing of post reclassifications within the budget in document 27 C/5, does not alter the budget ceiling of \$455,490,000;
4. Noting also the additional information provided by the Secretariat concerning the possible budget savings of the order of \$6.5 million that might result in 1994-1995 from the recommendations of the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) concerning the salaries of General Service staff (27 C/72),
5. Further noting the Director-General's suggestion to the Executive Board that the possible budget savings could be used for (i) financing, without altering the budget ceiling of \$455,490,000, the reserve for draft resolutions from Member States, for which an amount of \$1.5 million is proposed by the Executive Board; and (ii) programme priorities established by the General Conference within each major programme area in fields such as women, Africa, rural areas and LDCs,
6. Recommends that the General Conference take a decision on the International Civil Service Commission recommendation on a priority basis;
7. Recommends also for consideration by the General Conference a provisional budget ceiling of \$455,490,000 for the 1994-1995 Programme and Budget period, subject to approval by the General Conference of the International Civil Service Commission recommendation mentioned in paragraph 4 above, that may result in a reduction of the provisional ceiling by approximately \$6.5 million unless the General Conference adopts any other proposals made by the Director-General.

(142 EX/SR.10)

## ITEM 5 EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAMME

### 5.1 Reports by the Director-General

#### 5.1.1 Report on the activities of the Organization since the 141st session (142 EX/INF.3, Part I & Add. & Corr. and Parts II and III)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the report by the Director-General on the activities of the Organization since the 141st session (142 EX/INF.3, Parts I to III),
2. Takes note of its content.

(142 EX/SR.1, 2, 3 and 12)

#### 5.1.2 Report by the Director-General on the activities of the Organization in 1992-1993 (28 C/3): structure of the report (142 EX/8 and 142 EX/46)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/8, 'Report by the Director-General on the activities of the Organization in 1992-1993 (28 C/3): structure of the report',
2. Again expresses satisfaction at the recent improvements in the content and presentation of the C/3 document;
3. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to arrange for document 28 C/3 to be distributed to Member States at the same time as the Director-General's preliminary proposals concerning the Draft Programme and Budget for 1996-1997 (28 C/5);
  - (b) to give even greater prominence in his report to the results of internal and external evaluation of the programme, including an assessment of the 'intangible' activities or advisory services that enable UNESCO to help its Member States identify and formulate projects to be submitted to extra-budgetary funding sources;
  - (c) to report on unprogrammes activities that have been carried out and also on activities programmes but, for various reasons, not carried out;
  - (d) to show activities financed by extra-budgetary resources, together with the evaluation of them, under the major programme area to which they relate, so as to emphasize how the two sets of activities complement one another;
  - (e) to enhance the content of certain programme areas, for example by referring to activities relating to tolerance, the living cultural heritage, etc.;

- (f) to highlight the relationship between the content and structure of document 28 C/3 and changes in the content and structure of the programme, as reflected in document 27 C/5;
- (g) to examine the possibility of utilizing, subject to existing financial constraints, the most modern data-processing resources so as to enable Member States' delegations to receive the C/3 document in diskette form, and the feasibility of giving delegations access to UNESCO's mainframe computer.

(142 EX/SR.11)

### **5.1.3 UNESCO's contribution to the improvement of the status of women**

(142 EX/9 and 142 EX/48)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/9,
2. Takes note of its content.

(142 EX/SR.12)

## **5.2 Evaluation of the programme**

### **5.2.1 Evaluation of UNESCO periodicals and of the Records and Archives Management Programme (RAMP) (142 EX/10 and 142 EX/48)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/10 'Evaluation of UNESCO periodicals and of the Records and Archives Management Programme (RAMP)',
2. Expresses its appreciation of the quality of these evaluations and of their due submission to the Executive Board;
3. Approves the overall recommendations of the two evaluations, the comments by the Director-General and the measures proposed by him to follow them up;
4. Agrees with the results of the analysis made as regards strong and weak points of UNESCO periodicals, including overall policy and co-ordination, content, target groups, management and dissemination;
5. Invites the Director-General, as regards UNESCO periodicals, to:
  - (a) re-examine the relationship between the *UNESCO Courier* and *Sources* with a view to working out an effective formula for disseminating the information contained in both periodicals;
  - (b) support the publication of UNESCO periodicals in a greater number of language versions;

- (c) endeavour to achieve more equitable dissemination among different regions;
  - (d) improve the co-ordination within the Secretariat of their editing;
  - (e) pursue a rigorous pricing policy while guaranteeing accessibility to the periodicals through the establishment of a reasonable subscription rate in local currencies;
6. Suggests the following criteria when deciding upon measures to streamline and reduce the number of bulletins, newsletters and periodicals:
- (a) the degree of their contribution to, and promotion of, the Organization's objectives;
  - (b) their role in fostering regional and/or international co-operation and mutual understanding;
  - (c) their multiplier effect;
  - (d) the extent to which they meet the needs of the target readership;
7. Requests the Director-General to report to it at its 146th session on the implementation of the measures take-n to follow up the recommendations contained in the two evaluations;
8. Requests the Director-General to order an evaluation of the policy on non-periodical publications and their distribution by language and region.

(142 EX/SR.12)

### 5.3 Education

#### 5.3.1 Application of 26 C/Resolution 16, concerning educational and cultural institutions in the occupied Arab territories (142 EX/11 & Add. and 142 EX/48)

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the right to education is universally recognized by many international legal instruments, in particular the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948), the Declaration on the Rights of the Child (1958), the UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education and the fourth Geneva Convention (1949),
2. Considering, with regret, that armed conflict and foreign occupation, notably in the Palestinian territories and in Syrian Golan, have often been destructive factors with regard to those rights,
3. Considering that the Israeli-Palestinian agreement signed on 13 September 1993 in Washington, entitled 'Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements', opens up a new era of peace and harmony,



4. Considering that it is now essential to turn towards the future and to participate effectively in the building of new infrastructures, particularly the educational and cultural institutions that it will be the task of the Palestinian authorities to establish,
5. Realizing the size of the task hitherto carried out with difficulty by UNESCO in this area,
6. Aware that UNESCO, faithful to its universal mission and its Constitution, will be able to make an effective contribution, in close co-operation with the relevant Palestinian authorities, to the reconstitution of an education system, taking into consideration the demands dictated by the special situation of a people emerging from a long period of foreign occupation and moving into an age of modernity, progress and peace,
7. Considering that UNESCO's action in this new phase is of the highest priority and that it must begin immediately after the transfer of authority from the Israeli administration to the Palestinian authorities in the fields of education and culture provided for in Article VI of the above-mentioned 'Declaration of Principles', and that this action must be planned and must cover all aspects of the education system and the educational and cultural institutions, notably in the fields of training and structures,
8. Expresses its deep satisfaction following the historic agreement between the PLO and the Israeli Government, to which it pays a well-deserved tribute on account of the courage, realism and attachment to peace shown by their respective leaders;
9. Expresses the hope that the negotiations on the peace process that are taking place in Washington between the Arab parties concerned and Israel will lead to a just and global solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict, based on the withdrawal of Israel from the occupied Arab territories, the application of resolutions 242 and 338 of the United Nations Security Council and the principle of restitution of land in exchange for peace;
10. Assures them that UNESCO will spare no effort to assist in the establishment and consolidation of peace through education, culture, science and communication;
11. Declares that the reconstitution and development of the education system in the occupied Palestinian territories must receive UNESCO's full attention;
12. Emphasizes the priority and urgent nature of this action;
13. Invites Member States to give this action all the support it requires;
14. Requests the Director-General, taking into account the new situation in this region and its implications and demands, to draw up, in consultation with the relevant Palestinian authorities, with the international financing organizations concerned and with the bodies and funds set up for the economic and social development of the Palestinian territories, a

comprehensive plan including short-, medium- and long-term targets, with the main objective of contributing to rebuilding the Palestinian educational and cultural system;

15. Invites the Director-General to:

- (a) take at once the measures - for which it gives him full authority - called for by the situation arising from the transfer of authority from the Israeli Government in the fields of education and culture to the Palestinian authorities, as provided for in the 'Declaration of Principles';
- (b) take into account, in preparing the above-mentioned plan, the objectives set out in his 'Study on the needs of the Palestinian people in the fields of competence of UNESCO', submitted to the Executive Board at its 134 th session (134 EX/6) and adopted by the Board in decision 4.1.2, together with the proposals submitted to him by the relevant Palestinian authorities;
- (c) pay the closest attention to the problems raised by:
  - (i) the training and further training of teachers in the formal general education system;
  - (ii) the need to compensate for the difficulties due to the deteriorating state of education arising out of the frequent and repeated closure of schools in the past;
  - (iii) the development and renewal of curricula;
  - (iv) the development of educational administration, management and planning;
  - (v) the further training of teachers in higher education;
  - (vi) the provision of assistance for the establishment of a technical and vocational education policy, particularly for priority social groups such as released prisoners, physically and mentally handicapped people and children who have been obliged to drop out of school;
  - (vii) the establishment of a fund for study grants, and grants for research and the training of researchers and communication specialists;
  - (viii) the development of university libraries and training of staff in librarianship;
  - (ix) the training of specialists in the restoration of physical cultural property, manuscripts, archives, historic monuments and sites;

- (d) appoint a co-ordinator to be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the above-mentioned operations and for co-ordination between the sectors concerned of the Organization;
16. Pays tribute to the Director-General for his constant and sustained efforts to ensure the implementation of UNESCO's action in the occupied Palestinian territories;
  17. Invites the Director-General to continue his efforts with regard to Syrian Golan, within the framework of the Executive Board decisions;
  18. Also invites the Director-General to give his support, at the appropriate moment, to promoting the favorable outcome of the peace process that has been set in motion between the Arab States and Israel;
  19. Decides to place this question on the agenda for its 144th session;
  20. Proposes that the General Conference, at its twenty-seventh session, adopt the above decision as a resolution and decide to place this question on the agenda for its twenty-eighth session.

(142 EX/SR.12)

**5.3.2 Report by the Director-General on the legal framework of the International Institute for Educational Planning** (142 EX/12 and 142 EX/47)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/12,
2. Takes of the information concerning the legal framework of the International Institute for Educational Planning (IIEP);
3. Invites the Director-General to continue to apply UNESCO's approved budgeting techniques when establishing the financial allocation to IIEP.

(142 EX/SR.11)

**5.3.3 Invitations to the fifth Conference of Ministers of Education and those Responsible for Economic Planning in the Arab States (MINEDARAB V)** (142 EX/39 and 142 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the General Conference at its twenty-fifth session authorized the Director-General to convene a Regional Conference of Ministers of Education and those Responsible for Economic Planning in the Arab States,
2. Having examined document 142 EX/39,

3. Decides:

- (a) that invitations to participate in the conference with the right to vote shall be extended to the Member States of UNESCO listed in paragraph 6 of document 142 EX/39;
- (b) that an invitation to send observers to the conference shall be extended to the Holy See;
- (c) that an invitation to send observers to the conference shall be extended to Palestine, as mentioned in paragraph 8 of document 142 EX/39;
- (d) that invitations to be represented at the conference or to send observers shall be extended to the organizations and foundations listed in paragraphs 9, 10 and 11 of document 142 EX/39;
- (e) that the Director-General is authorized to issue any additional invitation he considers likely to make a useful contribution to the work of the conference, keeping the Executive Board informed.

(142 EX/SR.1)

**5.3.4 Invitations to the 44th session of the International Conference on Education** (142 EX/42 and 142 EX/2)

The Executive Board,

- 1. Considering that, subject to the approval of the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session, the Director-General is authorized to convene the 44th session of the International Conference on Education in 1994,
- 2. Having examined document 142 EX/42,
- 3. Decides:
  - (a) that invitations to participate in the 44th session of the International Conference on Education with the right to vote will be sent to all Member States and the Associate Members of UNESCO and to any other State that becomes a member of UNESCO prior to the opening of the conference;
  - (b) that invitations to send observers to the conference will be sent to the States mentioned in paragraph 6 of document 142 EX/42 that are not members of UNESCO but are members of another organization of the United Nations system, and to any other State that becomes a member of one of the organizations of the United Nations system before the opening of the conference;
  - (c) that invitations to send observers to the conference will be sent to the African liberation movements recognized by the OAU that are mentioned in paragraph 7 of document 142 EX/42, and also to Palestine;

- (d) that invitations to send representatives to the conference will be sent to the organizations of the United Nations system with which UNESCO has concluded mutual representation agreements and which are listed in paragraph 9 of document 142 EX/42;
- (e) that invitations to send observers to the conference will be sent to the organizations, foundations and institutions mentioned in paragraph 11 of document 142 EX/42;
- (f) that the Director-General is authorized to send out any other invitations he may deem useful for advancing the work of the conference, notifying the Executive Board thereof.

(142 EX/SR.1)

### **5.3.5 Amendments to the Statutes of the International Advisory Committee for the International Project on Technical and Vocational Education (UNEVOC) (142 EX/43 Rev. and 142 EX/48)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/43 Rev.,
2. Decides that Article 3, paragraphs 1 and 4 should be amended respectively as follows:
  - ‘1. the Committee shall be composed of 12 members, who shall be appointed by the Director-General, with regard for the principle of equitable geographical distribution, and shall serve in their personal capacity;’
  - ‘4. in addition to the 12 members mentioned above, the Director-General may invite to sessions of the Committee, as non-voting participants, persons who by reason of their functions and qualifications can assist the Committee in its work.’

(142 EX/SR.12)

## **5.4 Social and human sciences**

### **5.4.1 Action programme to promote a culture of peace (142 EX/13 and 142 EX/48)**

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 140 EX/Decision 5.4.2, inviting the Director-General to submit to it at its 141st session an action programme aimed at promoting a culture of peace,
2. Recalling the debates at its 141st session on document 141 EX/16, ‘Action programme to promote a culture of peace’,

3. Recalling 141 EX/Decision 5.4.2, requesting the Director-General to revise document 141 EX/16 in the light of those debates,
4. Supports the programme of peace building in El Salvador described in Section VI of the action programme to promote a culture of peace and recommends it to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session;
5. Takes note of document 142 EX/13, concerning the culture of peace, and decides to transmit it to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session with a summary of the Executive Board debate annexed to the document.

(142 EX/SR.12)

## 5.5 Culture

### 5.5.1 Jerusalem and the implementation of 26 C/Resolution 3.12 (142 EX/14 and 142 EX/48)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling the 1954 Convention and Protocol of the Hague for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict, the relevant provisions of the fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 and its Additional Protocols, the Convention for the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage (1972), and the inclusion of the Old City of Jerusalem on the World Heritage List,
2. Having taken note of the Director-General's report on this item (142 EX/14),
3. Notes with satisfaction that no specific complaint has been lodged with the Director-General during the past year and that the public works undertaken in the Old City have improved the living conditions of its inhabitants;
4. Notes:
  - (a) that the damage caused by the digging of a tunnel along the western wall of the Haram al-Sharif to the Madrasa al-Uthmaniyya has not yet been repaired;
  - (b) that excavation work is impeding one of the major points of access to the Haram al-Sharif, especially at the Gate of the Chain;
  - (c) that major restoration work is being carried out on the cupola and roofing of the Qubbat al-Sakhra or Dome of the Rock, a building that is considered to be one of the great masterpieces of Islamic art;

(d) that the work being carried out at the Holy Sepulchre and that planned for the near future is entirely inconsistent with the universally accepted principles and norms governing the restoration and conservation of historic monuments and that it seriously endangers the historical, archaeological, aesthetic and cultural properties of this exceptionally important building;

5. Invites the Jerusalem Waqf authorities to proceed with the, work on the Dome of the Rock, giving special attention to a project that calls for complex and delicate technical expertise and substantial funding;
6. Invites the religious authorities responsible for the Holy Sepulchre to halt or abandon work that is imperilling its basic cultural significance and to plan new projects that respect its religious purpose and also the merits of the building;
7. Invites the Israeli authorities to repair the damage to Islamic monuments caused by the digging of the tunnel and to restore the square in front of the Gate of the Chain to its original condition;
8. Stresses the historic importance of the Israeli-Palestinian agreement signed in Washington on 13 September 1993, based on the 'Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements' and the Israeli-Jordanian agenda signed in Washington on 15 September 1993, which signal the start of a new era of peace and stability;
9. Expresses the hope that, pending the results of the negotiations on Jerusalem envisaged in Article V of the Declaration and under the Israeli-Jordanian agenda, no act that alters the cultural, historic and spiritual character of Jerusalem and impairs the balance of the site will be carried out or tolerated;
10. Thanks the Director-General for what has been done to secure the implementation of UNESCO's decisions and resolutions;
11. Thanks the heads of State, governments, individuals and institutions that have helped to finance the safeguarding of the cultural property of Jerusalem;
12. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to continue his efforts to secure the implementation of UNESCO'S decisions and resolutions concerning Jerusalem;
  - (b) to be particularly vigilant during the interim period envisaged in the above-mentioned 'Declaration of Principles' in carrying out the task of safeguarding the cultural, historic and spiritual heritage of Jerusalem;
  - (c) to have a study undertaken, on an interdisciplinary basis, of a project for the establishment of an inventory of the cultural property of the Old City of Jerusalem, drawing on the services of experts of

high repute in the fields concerned, and to submit their report on this matter to it at its 145th session;

13. Recommends that the General Conference adopt this decision as a resolution at its twenty-seventh session and include this question in the agenda for its twenty-eighth session;
14. Decides to include this item in the agenda for its 145th session.

(142 EX/SR.12)

**5.5.2 Report by the Director-General on the reinforcement of UNESCO's action for the protection of the world cultural and natural heritage** (142 EX/15 and 142 EX/48)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 26 C/Resolution 3.9, inviting the Director-General to report on the reinforcement of UNESCO's action for the preservation of the world cultural and natural heritage, and recalling the Director-General's report (140 EX/13) and additional information given in document 141 EX/18,
2. Thanks the Director-General for the additional report (142 EX/15) concerning the strengthening and possible revision of the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and the co-ordination of all existing UNESCO instruments for the protection of the cultural heritage;
3. Welcoming the Secretariat's report on the 'Review of the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict',
4. Welcoming also the report by the Meeting of Experts convened by the Netherlands in The Hague from 5 to 7 July 1993 on the application and effectiveness of the 1954 Hague Convention, as contained in document 142 EX/15,
5. Considering that:
  - (a) the object and purpose of the 1954 Hague Convention are still valid and realistic,
  - (b) the fundamental principles of protecting and preserving cultural property in the event of armed conflict could be considered part of international customary law,
  - (c) universal acceptance of the 1954 Hague Convention and its Protocol is essential for the effective protection of cultural property in times of armed conflict,
  - (d) the scope of the 1954 Hague Convention should be maintained,
  - (e) better dissemination of information on the Hague Convention to the military and the public at large is important,



6. Recommends that the General Conference reaffirm the considerations set out in paragraph 5 above;
7. Recommends that the General Conference also:
  - (a) recognize the urgency of reinforcing the application and effectiveness of the 1954 Hague Convention;
  - (b) invite the High Contracting Parties to the 1954 Hague Convention to consider:
    - (i) entering into further consultations on the validity of the distinction between the general and special protection regimes in the convention and, in this regard, on the procedure for entering cultural property in the International Register of Cultural Property;
    - (ii) the need for an institutional mechanism under the 1954 Hague Convention that could perform both advisory and operational functions, taking into account the functions performed by the existing organs established under other UNESCO instruments for the protection of cultural property;
  - (c) request the Director-General to draw the attention of States that are party to the 1972 Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage but are not party to the 1954 Hague Convention to the fact that the latter convention offers protection to cultural property that is of national and local importance as well as to sites of outstanding universal importance;
  - (d) also request the Director-General to draw the attention of the States that are party to one or more of the various instruments for the protection of the cultural heritage to the need for appropriate coordination in the implementation of those instruments both at the national and at the international level;
8. Requests the Director-General to start consultations with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the possibility of establishing a link between United Nations peace-keeping activities and the implementation of the 1954 Hague Convention, and on the question of how the Organization could play a role in this regard.

(142 EX/SR.12)

### **5.5.3 Protection and promotion of the cultural rights of persons belonging to minorities, within UNESCO's fields of competence (142 EX/16 and 142 EX/48)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/16,
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2. Invites the Secretariat to prepare a more comprehensive document for submission to it at its 144th session.

(142 EX/SR.12)

#### **5.5.4 Financial regulations governing the UNESCO-ASCHBERG Bursaries for Artists (142 EX/17 and 142 EX/47)**

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 136 EX/Decision 8.8, by which it invited the Director-General to report to it at one of its subsequent sessions on the manner in which the proceeds of the sale of the Château du Bois du Rocher property would be used,
2. Takes note of the Director-General's decision that the funds be suitably invested and the annual interest made available for bursaries and travel grants for artists, particularly from developing countries, under the new 'Artists Across Frontiers' programme of the IFPC;
3. Expresses its gratitude to Dr Sven Aschberg for his endorsement of this proposal;
4. Takes note of the establishment of a special account to receive the income resulting from the sale of the Bois du Rocher property, and of the financial regulations relating thereto, which it invites the Director-General to apply in the light of paragraph 2 above.

(142 EX/SR.11)

#### **5.5.5 Establishment of a system of 'living cultural properties' (living human treasures) at UNESCO (142 EX/18 and 142 EX/48)**

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling that the General Conference adopted a Declaration of the Principles of International Cultural Co-operation at its fourteenth session, on 4 November 1966, and a Recommendation on the Safeguarding of Traditional Cultures and Folklore at its twenty-fifth session, in November 1989, in which it urged Member States to adopt various ways and means of preserving folklore in their respective countries,
2. Being mindful that the preservation of folklore is essential to the enrichment of the cultural heritage of humankind and the protection of cultural identities,
3. Convinced that Member States can better promote mutual understanding of each other's way of life and create a culture of peace through international cultural exchanges and co-operation,
4. Invites Member States to establish where appropriate a system of living cultural properties' (living human treasures) in their respective countries,

and to submit the list of 'living cultural properties' to the UNESCO Secretariat;

5. Invites the Secretariat to compile a list of the 'living cultural properties' (living human treasures) submitted by Member States and to make it available to Member States at their request;
6. Expresses the hope that if the national list proves successful UNESCO could, as a next step, institute a world list of 'living cultural properties' (living human treasures).

(142 EX/SR.12)

### **5.5.6 The Route of the Phoenicians (142 EX/44 and 142 EX/48)**

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 109 EX/Decision 7.2, requesting the Director-General 'to draw the attention of the General Conference, at its next session, to the need to safeguard the entire archaeological site of Tyre and its surrounding area',
2. Recalling 21 C/Resolution 4/13, 22 C/Resolution 11.17 and 121 EX/5.4.3,
3. Recalling that UNESCO has assisted the International Association to Save Tyre in preparing the international campaign for the safeguarding of the site of Tyre and its surrounding area,
4. Recalling that the Director-General launched a Heritage Alert for the Safeguarding of Tyre at the twenty-fourth session of the General Conference, in 1987,
5. Recalling that at its twenty-sixth session the General Conference recommended to the Director-General and the Member States of UNESCO that they assign very high priority to the launching of the international campaign for the safeguarding of the archaeological site of Tyre and its surrounding area,
6. Considering that everything must be done to give the widest possible publicity to the launching of the international campaign for the safeguarding of Tyre and that all initiatives undertaken to that effect, especially by international non-governmental organizations, should be supported by UNESCO,
7. Aware of the importance of the archaeological and historical heritage of Tyre for all Mediterranean countries and for those on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean, where Phoenician remains dating from the high point of Tyrian civilization and culture are still to be found,
8. Takes note of the 'Route of the Phoenicians' regatta project, a promotional event with both scientific and cultural dimensions focusing on a replica of a Phoenician merchant vessel, which would sail from Cadiz,

call at the principal Mediterranean ports of Phoenician origin and put in at Tyre for the launching of the campaign;

9. Also notes that the purpose of the project is to alert international opinion to the need to preserve this universal heritage and to draw attention to the aims of the UNESCO campaign for the safeguarding of Tyre and the surrounding area;
10. Requests the Director-General to take all appropriate steps that, while having no budgetary implications for the Organization, would contribute to the implementation of the Route of the Phoenicians regatta project.

(142 EX/SR.12)

## **5.6 Office of International Standards and Legal Affairs**

### **5.6.1 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 seats falling vacant in 1993 (142 EX/19 and 142 EX/2)**

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 studied 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 (142 EX/19),
3. Transmits this list to the General Conference.

(1.42 EX/SR.1)

### **5.6.2 Report of the 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 on its work since the twenty-sixth session of the General Conference (142 EX/20 and 142 EX/2)**

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-sixth session of the General Conference.

(142 EX/SR.1)

## ITEM 6 GENERAL CONFERENCE

### 6.1 Revised provisional agenda for the twenty-seventh session of the General Conference (142 EX/21)

The Executive Board,

1. In view of Rules 11 and 12 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
2. Noting that three proposals for supplementary items were submitted within the time limit set by Rule 11, as stated in paragraphs 7 and 8 of document 142 EX/21,
3. Noting that these items are included in the supplementary list communicated to Member States and Associate Members in accordance with the provisions of Rule 11, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference (CL/3332),
4. Establishes the revised agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda (27 C/1 prov.) with the addition of the items mentioned in paragraph 7 of document 142 EX/21, which will constitute items 6.12, 6.13 and 16.4.

(142 EX/SR.10)

### 6.2 Addendum to the draft plan for the organization of the work of the twenty-seventh session of the General Conference (142 EX/22)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/22,
2. Approves the proposals contained in paragraph 2 of that document;
3. Recommends that the General Conference refer items 6.12 and 6.13 to Commissions I and II respectively, and item 16.4 to the Conference in plenary.

(142 EX/SR.10)

### 6.3 Place of the twenty-eighth session of the General Conference (142 EX/23)

The Executive Board,

1. Having regard to the provisions of Rules 2 and 3 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,

2. Considering that on the date freed by Rule 3 no Member State had invited the General Conference to hold its twenty-eighth session in its territory,
3. Recommends that the General Conference hold its twenty-eighth session at the Headquarters of the Organization in Paris.

(142 EX/SR.10)

**6.4 Submission of nominations for the offices of president and vice-president of the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session and chairman of the commissions and committees (142 EX/INF.4)**

I

The Executive Board decided, in private meeting, to recommend that, for its twenty-seventh session, the General Conference increase the number of vice-presidents from 32 to 36 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.

II

At the same meeting the Executive Board decided to make the following recommendations concerning nominations for the offices of president and vice-president of the General Conference and for the offices of chairman of the commissions and committees:

President of the General Conference: Mr Ahmed Saleh Sayyad (Yemen).

Vice-Presidents: The heads of delegation of the following Member States: Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Burundi, China, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Czech Republic, Ecuador, France, Ghana, Hungary, India, Iraq, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lebanon, Morocco, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Togo, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates.

Chairpersons of commissions and committees:

Programme Commission I: Mr Canisius (Germany)

Programme Commission II: Ms R. Lerner de Almea (Venezuela)

Programme Commission III: Mr M.N. Siamwiza (Zambia)

Programme Commission IV: Mr M.A. Albahid (Jordan)

Programme Commission V: Mr Kenneth Wiltshire (Australia)

Administrative Commission: Mr A.D. Joukov (Russian Federation)

Credentials Committee: Ms A.I. Prera Flores (Guatemala)

Nominations Committee: Mr G.W.L. Thomas (Gambia)  
Legal Committee: Mr M.S. Abdel Hamid (Egypt)  
Headquarters Committee: Mr G. Figueroa Yañez (Chile)<sup>1</sup>

(142 EX/SR.12)

**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-seventh session of the General' Conference (142 EX/24)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered the requests submitted by international non-governmental organizations other than those in categories A and B to be represented by observers at the twenty-seventh session of the General Conference (142 EX/24),
2. Referring to Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference and to the procedure it adopted at its 125th session for dealing with such requests,
3. Decides to recommend to the General Conference that it admit as observers at its twenty-seventh session, as they have requested, the following international non-governmental organizations on the occasion of the examination in commission of those items on the provisional agenda listed against their names:

(a) four organizations classified in category C:

**International Student Travel Confederation**

Item 5.5 of the provisional agenda: Detailed consideration of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 - Programme Commission V, Major Programme Area V, Chapter 2, 'Youth';

Federation of International Youth Travel Organizations

Item 5.5 of the provisional agenda: Detailed consideration of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 - Programme Commission V, Major Programme Area V, Chapter 2, 'Youth';

**Union international de la marionette**

Item 5.5 of the provisional agenda: Detailed consideration of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 - Programme Commission II, Major Programme Area I, 'Education and the future' - Programme Commission III, Major Programme Area II,

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1. At the twenty-sixth session of the General Conference the Headquarters Committee elected Mr G. Figueroa Yañez Chairperson until the closure of the twenty-seventh session. The Chairperson of the Headquarters Committee is an *ex officio* member of the General Committee of the General Conference.

‘Science for progress and the environment’ - Programme Commission IV, Major Programme Area III, ‘Culture: past, present and future’ - Programme Commission V, Major Programme Area V, ‘Social and human sciences: contribution to development, peace, human rights and democracy’;

### **World Assembly of Small and Medium Enterprises**

Item 5.5 of the provisional agenda: Detailed consideration of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 - Programme Commission II, Major Programme Area I, ‘Education and the future’ - Programme Commission III, Major Programme Area II, ‘Science for progress and the environment’;

(b) two organizations not maintaining official relations with UNESCO:

#### **Simon Wiesenthal Center**

Item 6.8: Proclamation of the United Nations Year for Tolerance and Declaration on Tolerance;

#### **World Cultural Organization**

Item 5.5 of the provisional agenda: Detailed consideration of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 - Programme Commission IV, Major Programme Area III, ‘Culture: past, present and future’ - World Decade for Cultural Development.

(142 EX/SR.10)

## **ITEM 7 RELATIONS WITH MEMBER STATES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

### **7.1 Groupings of the new Member States for the purpose of elections to the Executive Board (142 EX/25 Rev. and 142 EX/INF.5)**

The Executive Board,

1. Referring to 26 C/Resolution 0.8, in connection with which the General Conference invited the Executive Board to consider to which of the electoral groups the four new Member States of UNESCO (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Tuvalu) should be admitted and to report to it thereon at its twenty-seventh session,
2. Recalling 141 EX/Decision 7.1, inviting new Member States and the electoral groups to state their views on the issue,
3. Recommends that the following new Member States be included in the following electoral groups:



Member State

Electoral group

Eritrea  
Solomon Islands  
Tuvalu

Group V  
Group IV  
Group IV

4. Considers that in the case of other new Member States it is not in a position to make a recommendation, given that some of them have not yet stated any preference for a particular electoral group, that the preferences stated by some others require further consideration by electoral groups and that a possible re-examination of allocation of seats at the Executive Board could also be proposed.

(142 EX/SR.12)

**7.2 Operational activities for development undertaken in the framework of the United Nations system (142 EX/26 and 142 EX/48)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the Director-General's annual report on operational activities (142 EX/26) and General Assembly resolution 47/199,
  - A. with respect to resolution 47/199:
2. Stresses the urgency of the appeal made in resolution 47/199 for a substantial increase in resources for development, particularly since poverty, underdevelopment and ignorance are major threats to peace;
3. Offers full support to the overall objective of making the United Nations system operational activities more co-ordinated, responsive and efficient;
4. Recommends that UNESCO's expertise be made fully available, both from Headquarters and field offices and, as appropriate, from National Commissions for UNESCO, to assist the developing countries and resident co-ordinators in the preparation of 'Country Strategy Notes';
5. Notes, with respect to General Assembly recommendations for increased decentralization of the capacity and authority of staff concerned with operational activities, that the Executive Board at its current session examined a progress report on the implementation of recommendations adopted in 136 EX/Decision 3.3 concerning decentralization (142 EX/6);
6. Recommends that the Special Committee, when monitoring the process of decentralization, take account of resolution 47/199, in particular paragraphs 24 to 27;
7. Stresses the Organization's continued commitment to closer inter-agency cohesiveness at country level under the leadership of the resident co-ordinator;
8. Supports the recent ACC reinforcement of joint staff training programmes provided by the ILO Training Centre in Turin;

B. with respect to the UNDP:

9. Expresses the hope that voluntary contributions to the UNDP will again increase, which will also facilitate the transition to new support cost arrangements;
10. Congratulates the UNDP on the effectiveness with which it has implemented the new facility for financing sector analysis and similar upstream studies (TSS-1);
11. Underlines the importance of the new UNDP fund for technical services at project level (TSS-2) as a means to ensure the utilization of United Nations agencies, including UNESCO, in the design and backstopping of nationally executed projects;
12. Notes with satisfaction the upward trend in nationally executed programmes and projects;

c. with respect to other matters:

13. Thanks the funding bodies that have entrusted UNESCO with a continuously growing sum of funds-in-trust for the benefit of developing countries;
14. Calls upon donor countries to give full meaning to commitments made at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development by significantly raising the level of resources currently available for both the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and the 'Capacity 21' programme;
15. Stresses in this connection the comparative advantage of the fuller utilization of UNESCO and other relevant United Nations agencies in the design and backstopping of GEF and 'Capacity 21' programmes and projects.

(142 EX/SR.12)

**7.3 Review of the criteria approved by the General Conference at previous sessions for granting subventions to international non-governmental organizations, and proposals for new forms of financial co-operation that could usefully replace such subventions (142 EX/27 and 142 EX/49)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/27,
2. Recalling 13 C/Resolution 6.61, 16 C/Resolution 22 and 26 C/Resolution 13.2, concerning UNESCO's relations with international non-governmental organizations,
3. Recalling further 140 EX/Decision 4.1, B (para. 3(f)) and 141 EX/Decision 7.4, relating to financial co-operation between UNESCO and international non-governmental organizations,

4. Recommends that the General Conference:
- (a) adopt, in matters of financial co-operation between UNESCO and NGOs, the following criteria:
- (i) is the organization at the forefront of its discipline, subject or field? (competence);
  - (ii) is the organization active in seeking to be representative internationally and in the membership of its governing bodies? (*representativeness/geographical extension*);
  - (iii) is the headquarters located in an underrepresented region with respect to NGOs starting co-operation with UNESCO?;
  - (iv) does the organization's programme show a useful complementarity with the activities of the major programme areas? (*effectiveness/complementarity*);
  - (v) does the organization serve significantly to enhance UNESCO's influence and to disseminate its ideals and objectives? (*public relations/effectiveness and credibility of networks*);
  - (vi) how internationally representative are the organization's major activities, and do they have a multiplier effect? (*representativeness of major activities*);
  - (vii) is there a progressive extension of these activities to other regions of the world? (*decentralization*);
  - (viii) is the organization actively aware of the great diversity of approaches to its subject throughout the world? (Such a question might apply, for instance, to differences of social system or to differences in the nature and practice of the arts) (*cultural and social diversity*);
  - (ix) is discussion on complementary programming active and regular? This is both a more challenging and a less restrictive approach than that of trying to assess NGOs' programmes chiefly by their contribution to UNESCO's *own* programme activities (valuable though that contribution is) (*evaluation and complementarity/mutual enrichment*);
  - (x) does the secretariat or governing board recruit enough fresh, young, first-class blood? (*renewal of decision-makers and key personnel/introduction of innovations*);
- (b) reiterate the following principles:
- (i) that grants-in-aid be given only in a limited number of cases, in particular with the purpose of assisting new international organizations, sponsored by UNESCO;

- (ii) that grants-in-aid shall be made only for a limited period and that no permanent commitments shall derive from them for UNESCO;
  - (iii) that financial assistance should increasingly be given through contractual arrangements for projects directly related to the programme of UNESCO;
  - (iv) that, save in exceptional circumstances, grants-in-aid shall be made only to supplement the income of the organization from other sources;
- (c) decide that:
- (i) the current subventions will be discontinued;
  - (ii) new subventions will be granted solely to a limited number of *newly established NGOs* or those starting co-operation with UNESCO, including those sponsored by it, selected on a priority basis in accordance with their geographical location (developing countries), such subventions being granted for a *limited non-renewable period* (two to four years) for the purpose of enabling them to start up and/or develop their activities directly linked to UNESCO's own priority fields;
  - (iii) all subventions hitherto granted to NGOs will be converted, starting with the 1996-1997 biennium, into either:
    - contracts, as stipulated in the Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with NGOs;
    - or
    - framework agreements, for a period equal to that of the Medium-Term Plan, that will make it possible (a) to assign to certain key organizations that are broadly representative, competent and effective the execution of tasks provided for in the programme, and (b) to provide support for initiatives taken by them that complement those of UNESCO;
  - (d) invite the Director-General to implement these new arrangements within the framework of the preparation of document 28 C/5 (Draft Programme and Budget for 1996-1997) and to submit his proposals on this matter to the Executive Board at its 146th session.

(142 EX/SR.11)

7.4 **Collaboration between UNESCO and National Commissions** (142 EX/28 and 142 EX/48)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 25 C/Resolution 15.212, 26 C/Resolution 13.2, I, 136 EX/Decision 3.3 and 137 EX/Decision 7,2, concerning co-operation with the National Commissions,
2. Having considered the report submitted to it by the Director-General pursuant to 25 C/Resolution 15.212,
3. Thanks the Director-General for the initiatives he has taken and those he intends to take to make co-operation with the National Commissions more dynamic;
4. Invites the Member States to empower their National Commissions materially and morally by guaranteeing them the indispensable means and authority to fulfil their mandate in close co-ordination with the permanent delegations at Headquarters;
5. Recommends that the National Commissions pursue their efforts to adapt their structures to the new needs of the Organization's programme by associating the intellectual and scientific circles of their countries more closely with their work;
6. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to continue to take into consideration the increased and specific needs for information, training and equipment of the National Commissions of developing countries and of recently established Commissions;
  - (b) to arrange for appropriate experts from Member States that have long since set up National Commissions to share their experience in this regard, through visits and in other fora for discussion, such as regional and subregional meetings, with countries in the same region where the Commissions are new or in the course of reorganization;
  - (c) to continue to send UNESCO experts to the above-mentioned countries in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 3, of the UNESCO Constitution;
  - (d) to support the efforts made by the National Commissions, especially in the context of their subregional, regional and interregional co-operation projects;
  - (e) to strengthen the collaboration between National Commissions and field offices of UNESCO and other agencies of the United Nations system and to involve National Commissions in the search for new forms of collaboration in the field between the agencies of the entire United Nations system;

- (f) to strengthen co-operation between National Commissions and the Secretariat at Headquarters and in the field in the implementation of the activities of UNESCO's regular programme within the framework of decentralized activities.

(142 EX/SR.12)

**7.5 Relations with the Commonwealth of Learning (COL) (142 EX/40 and 142 EX/2)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/40, submitted by the Director-General, concerning the relations that may be established between the Commonwealth of Learning (COL) and UNESCO,
2. Authorizes the Director-General to undertake negotiations with the President of COL in accordance with Article XI, paragraph 1, of the Constitution, with a view to preparing a draft agreement between UNESCO and COL concerning the establishment of formal relations between the two organizations;
3. Invites the Director-General to submit the draft agreement to it for approval at a subsequent session.

(142 EX/SR.1)

**7.6 Relations with the International Centre for Agriculture and the Biosciences (C.A.B. International) (142 EX/41 and 142 EX/2)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/41, submitted by the Director-General, concerning the relations that may be established between the International Centre for Agriculture and the Biosciences and UNESCO,
2. Authorizes the Director-General to undertake negotiations with the Director-General of the Centre in accordance with Article XI, paragraph 1, of the Constitution, with a view to preparing a draft agreement between UNESCO and the centre concerning the establishment of formal relations between the two organizations;
3. Invites the Director-General to submit the draft agreement to it for approval at a subsequent session.

(142 EX/SR.1)

## ITEM 8 ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS

### 8.1 Consideration of communications received from Member States invoking the terms of Article IV.C, paragraph 8(c), of the Constitution concerning voting rights of Member States in arrears with their contributions, and recommendations of the Executive Board thereon (142 EX/29 and Addenda and 142 EX/47)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/29 and Addenda containing details of arrears due from Member States in excess of amounts assessed for the current biennium,
2. Having considered communications received from Belarus, Bolivia, Equatorial Guinea, Iraq, Gambia, Guatemala, Latvia, Madagascar, Peru, Suriname, Ukraine, Yugoslavia and Zaire, invoking the provisions of Article IV.C, paragraph 8(c), of the Constitution,
3. Notes with appreciation that Belarus has paid meanwhile an amount sufficient to obtain the right to vote at the twenty-seventh session of the General Conference;
4. Expresses its concern at the fact that some of the arrears have been owing for several biennia, some going back to the 1980s, and that six of the eight countries that had previously entered into payment plans are in arrears in these plans;
5. Notes the action undertaken by the Director-General to eliminate arrears and welcomes possible future action up until the twenty-seventh session of the General Conference;
6. Noting further that as of 13 October 1993 communications have been received from only 13 of the 48 Member States that risk losing the right to vote, and taking into account the relevant provisions of the Constitution and 26 C/Resolution 23.31, recommends that all communications be forwarded to the General Conference for examination, taking into account Rule 79 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference; recommends further that the General Conference grant permission to vote to those States that have already sent communications citing universally recognized financial circumstances beyond their control and committing themselves to pay their arrears as soon as such financial circumstances have disappeared;
7. In view of the difficulties and problems encountered while discussing item 8.1, recommends that the General Conference consider all the problems concerning the examination of such communications, received from Member States invoking the terms of Article IV.C, paragraph 8(c), of the Constitution, and to consider also fixing a deadline for the receipt of such communications by the Executive Board.

**8.2 Financial report and interim financial statements of UNESCO as at 31 December 1992 for the financial period ending 31 December 1993**  
(142 EX/30 and 142 EX/47)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/30,
2. Decides to transmit to the General Conference the financial report of the Director-General together with the interim financial statements of UNESCO as at 31 December 1992 for the financial period ending 31 December 1993.

(142 EX/SR.11)

**8.3 Working Capital Fund: level and administration** (142 EX/31 and 142 EX/47)

I

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/31, Part I, concerning the level and administration of the Working Capital Fund for 1994-1995 proposed by the Director-General to the General Conference,
2. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the following draft resolution:

The General Conference resolves that:

- (a) the authorized level of the Working Capital Fund for 1994-1995 shall be fixed at \$22,200,000 and that the amounts to be advanced by Member States shall be calculated according to the rates assigned to them under the scale of assessments for 1994-1995, taken in proportion to the total of such rates;
- (b) a new Member State shall be required to make an advance to the Working Capital Fund calculated as a percentage or proportion of the authorized level of the Fund, in accordance with the percentage or rate assigned to it under the scale of assessments applicable at the time it becomes a member;
- (c) advances shall be assessed and paid in United States dollars; the Fund shall normally be held in United States dollars, but the Director-General shall have the right, with the agreement of the Executive Board, to alter the currency or currencies in which the Fund is held in such a manner as he deems necessary to ensure the stability of the Fund and the smooth functioning of the split-level assessment system; if such an alteration should be agreed, an appropriate exchange equalization account should be established within the Fund to record translation gains and losses on exchange of the French franc *vis-à-vis* the United States dollar;



- (d) income derived from the investments of the Working Capital Fund shall be credited to miscellaneous income;
- (e) the Director-General is authorized to advance from the Working Capital Fund, in accordance with Article 5.1 of the Financial Regulations, such sums as may be necessary to finance budgetary appropriations pending the receipt of contributions; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed as soon as receipts from contributions are available for that purpose;
- (f) the Director-General is authorized to advance during 1994-1995 sums not exceeding in total \$500,000 at any one time to finance self-liquidating expenditures, including those arising in connection with trust funds and special accounts; these sums are advanced pending the availability of sufficient receipts from the trust funds and special accounts, international bodies and other extra-budgetary sources; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed as rapidly as possible.

## II

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/31, Part II, concerning the facility established to assist Member States to acquire educational and scientific material they consider necessary for technological development (UNESCO Coupons),
2. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the following draft resolution:

The General Conference,

Recalling the provisions made in pursuance of 26 C/Resolution 24.2, concerning the operation of the facility to assist Member States to acquire educational and scientific material they consider necessary for technological development,

1. Authorizes further allocations in 1994-1995 of UNESCO Coupons payable in local currencies, up to a maximum of \$2 million, on condition that the accumulated totals in such currencies shall not exceed their projected utilization over the following 12-month period during the 1994-1995 biennium and on condition that Member States propose settlement in national currencies of arrears of assessed contributions for previous years before applying for allocations of UNESCO Coupons under this facility;
2. Resolves that any losses on exchange arising from the acceptance of national currencies for purchases of UNESCO Coupons under this facility shall be borne by the purchasing Member State.

#### **8.4 Report by the Director-General on the implementation of the Plan for Cash Flow Savings (142 EX/32 and Addenda and 142 EX/47)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the report by the Director-General on the implementation of the Plan for Cash Flow Savings (142 EX/32 and Addenda), and taken note of the up-to-date information provided during the debate at its current session;
2. Takes note that, while many Member States have paid their assessed contributions for 1993 and previous years, many more Member States are in arrears in the payment of the amounts assessed;
3. Noting with concern from the Director-General's reports on the cash situation of the Organization submitted to the Board during the 1992-1993 biennium that he has frequently been obliged to enter into internal and external borrowing arrangements because of late payment of contributions, and that the poor cash situation has adversely affected the full execution of the Programme and Budget approved at the twenty-sixth session of the General Conference,
4. Noting with regard to the Plan for Cash Flow Savings, adopted in 140 EX/Decision 7.3, that of the amount of \$33,700,000 put into reserve by the Director-General \$15,106,746 has been returned for programme implementation, leaving a balance of \$18,593,254, reduced to \$14,593,254 (after the deduction of a shortfall of \$4,000,000 in staff cost savings), which will be carried forward at the end of the 1992-1993 financial period as the unobligated balance of appropriations under Parts I to VII of the budget (currently estimated at \$14,593,254),
5. Recommends to the General Conference that of the final unobligated balance of appropriations for the 1992-1993 financial period:
  - (a) the amount designated for the credit of individual Member States in the Working Capital Fund in accordance with paragraph 7 below be transferred thereto when required;
  - (b) the remainder be held to the credit of a suspense account of the General Fund until such time as the Director-General makes proposals to the Executive Board by its 146th session on its future use and final disposition;
6. Decides that of the miscellaneous income surplus of the financial period 1990-1991 \$2,500,000 should be added to the estimated miscellaneous income for the 1994-1995 financial period in order to reduce the contribution to be assessed on Member States in accordance with Financial Regulation 5.2;
7. Recommends to the General Conference that a total of \$5,000,000 be transferred to the credit of individual Member States in the Working Capital Fund, as follows:

	\$
(a) from the miscellaneous income surplus of the 1990-1991 financial period, to be apportioned to Member States in accordance with their assessed contributions for that financial period	718,739
(b) from the budget surpluses of the 1988-1989 financial period and previous biennia that will become available for apportionment and surrender in accordance with Financial Regulations 4.3 and 4.4 as at 31 October 1993, the total amount then due to Member States (currently estimated at \$1,800,000), the remainder up to 31 December 1993, which is expected to be insignificant, to be held in abeyance pending a decision by the General Conference at its twenty-eighth session	1,800,000
(c) from the anticipated budget surplus of the 1992-1993 financial period, the balance required to make up \$5,000,000 (currently estimated at \$2,481,261) to be apportioned to Member States in accordance with their assessed contributions for that financial period	2,481,261
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	5,000,000
8. <u>Considering</u> that the implementation of the above-mentioned recommendations requires the suspension of various provisions in the Financial Regulations,	
9. <u>Invites</u> the General Conference to approve the above-mentioned recommendations and if so to suspend the relevant provisions of Articles 4.3,4.4, 5.2, 6.2 and 7.1 of the Financial Regulations so that the Director-General or the Executive Board can give final effect to them;	
10. <u>Recognizes</u> that the programme adopted in document 26 C/5 Approved for 1992-1993 has been largely preserved and executed under difficult conditions;	
11. <u>Invites</u> the Director-General to develop a contingency planning mechanism to ensure the rational execution of the programme in document 27 C/5 Approved and to present it to the Executive Board at its 144th session;	
12. <u>Considering</u> that the General Conference should authorize the Director-General to resort to external borrowing during the 1994-1995 financial period only up to the strict minimum required, only as an interim measure and only after all other alternatives have been exhausted, <u>decides</u> that the situation should be reviewed in depth with regard to the future by the Executive Board at its 146th session.	

**8.5 Report by the Director-General on UNESCO's personnel policy**  
(142 EX/33 and 142 EX/47)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 26 C/Resolution 28.2 and 141 EX/Decision 8.4,
2. Having examined document 142 EX/33,
3. Expresses its gratitude to the Director-General for the further steps taken to obtain a larger number of replies to the questionnaire on personnel policy addressed to Member States in accordance with 26 C/Resolution 28.2;
4. Takes note of the views expressed on the subject by the Member States, which are analysed in documents 141 EX/28 and 142 EX/33 (Annex);
5. Also takes note that, in pursuance of 26 C/Resolution 28.2, the Director-General will report to the General Conference, at its twenty-seventh session, on the measures adopted or planned to improve personnel policy.

(142 EX/SR.11)

**8.6 Report by the Director-General on the use of outside consultants by the Secretariat** (142 EX/34 and 142 EX/47)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/34,
2. Takes note of its content.

(142 EX/SR.11)

**8.7 Geographical distribution of the Secretariat staff, and review of the method used for calculating the quotas assigned to Member States**  
(142 EX/35 and 142 EX/47)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 137 EX/Decision 8.1, 140 EX/Decision 7.6 and 141 EX/ Decision 8.5,
2. Having considered document 142 EX/35, in particular the information on the options proposed by the Finance and Administrative Commission,
3. Aware of the changing situation regarding geographical distribution and the prospects for implementation of the recruitment plan for 1993-1995,
4. Considering that determining the method of calculating quotas is becoming a priority objective,

5. Decides to submit to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session a proposal that the status quo, which amounts to 76 per cent membership factor and 24 per cent contribution factor, be maintained and that the question of options be further studied at the 144th session of the Executive Board;
6. Invites the Director-General to report to it on this matter at its 145th session.

(142 EX/SR.11)

**8.8 Consultation in pursuance of Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board (142 EX/PRIV.1)**

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

(142 EX/SR.6)

**8.9 Report by the Director-General on the implementation of the Information-Resources Development Plan (142 EX/36 and 142 EX/47)**

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 142 EX/36,
2. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the draft resolution contained in paragraph 19 of document 27 C/51 amended as follows:

The General Conference,

Referring to the Information-Resources Development Plan (1990-1995), proposed in document 26 C/45 and adopted at its twenty-sixth session,

Having examined document 27 C/51,

1. Authorizes the Director-General to implement the 1994-1995 phase of the Information-Resources Development Plan as outlined therein and within the framework of the provisions set out in the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995;
2. Invites the Director-General to:
  - (a) undertake an external evaluation of results obtained through the Information-Resources Development Plan;
  - (b) report on the implementation of the plan and on the evaluation above to the Executive Board at its 147th session and to the General Conference at its twenty-eighth session.

(142 EX/SR.11)

## ITEM 9 GENERAL MATTERS

### 9.1 Consideration of the results of the deliberations of the ad hoc Forum of Reflection (142 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Expressing its profound thanks to the members of the ad hoc Forum of Reflection for the excellent work done during the two sessions held by the Forum,
2. Noting with appreciation the conclusions and proposal entitled 'Learning Without Frontiers' presented by the Forum,
3. Mindful of the substantial experience available in many countries in relation to distance and open learning,
4. Invites the Director-General to make a detailed examination of the proposed Learning Without Frontiers programme, with the assistance of, among others, specialists in satellite broadcasting and distance education, educators (particularly from countries where a trial application might be carried out) and representatives of national and regional systems having experience in this field;
5. Invites Member States to contribute to the examination of this project by the Director-General;
6. Invites the Director-General to:
  - (a) produce an inventory of relevant existing systems of distance and open learning;
  - (b) develop specific objectives and explore the possibility of means for the proposed Learning Without Frontiers programme;
  - (c) define the relation of this programme to the existing systems mentioned above and to UNESCO's current education and other programmes;
  - (d) analyse the cost of implementing the programme, including the possibility of its application at a regional level;
  - (e) submit to it at its 144th session a report on his examination of the project in all its aspects;
7. Recommends that this report by the Director-General be examined at its 144th session and communicated, together with its conclusions, to the International Commission on Education for the Twenty-First Century;

8. Recommends also that the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session retain the possibility of recourse by the Executive Board to ad hoc forums, for reflection on specific subjects, if required.

(142 EX/SR.5, 6,7 and 10)

## **9.2 Report by the Director-General on the implementation of 141 EX/Decision 9.3 (142 EX/38)**

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 141 EX/Decision 9.3, concerning the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina,
2. Having examined the Director-General's report on the implementation of 141 EX/Decision 9.3 (142 EX/38),
3. Taking into account the report by the Director-General on the activities of the Organization since the 141st session (142 EX/INF.3), in particular paragraph 93 of Part II, which states that UNESCO provided the television corporation of Bosnia and Herzegovina with various items of technical equipment donated by several companies,
4. Also taking into account that the December 1992 issue of *Sources* had as its theme 'Dubrovnik: Putting the pieces together again',
5. Taking into consideration that numerous libraries in Bosnia and Herzegovina, among which the Sarajevo National and University Library has special importance with regard to the multicultural character of the country, have been either totally destroyed or severely damaged,
6. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to encourage donations of technical equipment for Bosnia and Herzegovina by individuals, corporations and national, international and multinational organizations;
  - (b) to prepare, in close co-operation with the Bosnian authorities and independent international research organizations, a special issue of *Sources*, devoted to the topic of the destruction of the historical and architectural heritage of Bosnia and Herzegovina;
  - (c) to include in one of the forthcoming issues of the UNESCO *Courier*, in all language versions, a major article on the same topic, also in close co-operation with the Bosnian authorities and independent international research organizations;
  - (d) to undertake, within the framework of the regular financial resources available in the Programme and Budget for 1994-1995, the preparation of information programmes on the destroyed or damaged historical heritage of Bosnia and Herzegovina, for wide dissemination in radio and television broadcasts;

7. Recommends that the General conference adopt the following resolution concerning reconstruction of the Sarajevo National and University Library and restoration of its holdings and information infrastructure:

The General Conference,

Bearing in mind the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,

Taking note of the resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council, and by many other international bodies, on Bosnia and Herzegovina, in particular resolution 827, adopted unanimously on 25 May 1993 by the United Nations Security Council, which sets up the International Tribunal of War Crimes empowered 'to prosecute persons violating the laws or customs of war', including but not limited to, 'seizure of, destruction of or wilful damage done to institutions dedicated to religion, charity and education, the arts and sciences, historic monuments and works of art and science' (Article 3, para. (d) of the annex to the Secretary-General's report (S/25704)),

Also taking note of 139 EX/Decision 7.5, 140 EX/Decision 8.4 and 141 EX/Decision 9.3, on the subject,

Aware of the need to denounce all forms of intolerance based on religion, belief or culture, and of the need to encourage reciprocal tolerance and mutual respect between religions and cultures,

1. Expresses grave concern at the continuing massacres of and aggression against innocent human beings and destruction of the cultural, historical and religious heritage of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (including mosques, churches and synagogues, schools and libraries, archives and cultural and educational buildings) under the abhorrent policy of 'ethnic cleansing';
2. Strongly condemns the perpetrators of these heinous acts;
3. Welcomes the Executive Board decision in which the Director-General was invited to send a mission, as soon as the situation permits, 'to Bosnia and Herzegovina to determine the damage to educational, historical, archaeological and cultural property in the region, and to explore the feasibility of sending emergency assistance to Bosnia and Herzegovina' (139 EX/Decision 7.5, para. 5);
4. Invites Member States, intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations and public and private institutions to make voluntary contributions in cash, equipment or services to reconstruct and equip the Sarajevo National and University Library, constitute and preserve its collections and train the requisite personnel;



5. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to mobilize extra-budgetary funds and voluntary contributions, particularly from other organizations within the United Nations system, for this purpose;
  - (b) to appeal to all intellectuals, artists, writers, historians, sociologists and all whose work it is to inform - journalists, columnists, professionals of the press, radio, television and cinema - to help to develop an awareness of the problem by the public in all countries and to encourage them to contribute to the library;
  - (c) to provide intellectual support to the library;
  - (d) to continue his efforts to implement 139 EX/Decision 7.5.

(142 EX/SR.11)

### 9.3 Request for the admission of Palestine to UNESCO

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 131 EX/Decision 9.4, 132 EX/Decision 9.3 and 137 EX/Decision 9.3,
2. Decides to include this question in the agenda for its 147th session;
3. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the following draft resolution:

The General Conference,

Recalling 26 C/Resolution 0.62, concerning the request for the admission of Palestine to UNESCO,

Recalling the provisions of Article II of UNESCO's Constitution concerning the admission of new Member States,

Considering that the Israeli-Palestinian agreement signed on 13 September 1993 in Washington by the representatives of the PLO and the Israeli Government, entitled 'Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements', opens up a new era of peace and stability,

Considering that UNESCO is consequently invested with new responsibilities in regard to the Palestinian people, calling for its active participation, within its fields of competence, in the building of Palestinian institutions and the implementation of the proposed development plans,

Reaffirming its desire to support wholly the development of the peace process,

1. Expresses its profound satisfaction at the conclusion of the aforementioned agreement ~~and expresses the strong hope~~ that the negotiations to be initiated within the framework of the Declaration of Principles will lead to a just, total and lasting settlement of the Palestinian question;
2. Invites the Director-General, taking into account the new situation in the occupied Palestinian territories, its implications and requirements, to draw up; in consultation with the Executive Board, the competent Palestinian authorities and the international financial institutions and other sources of financing concerned, a comprehensive plan to meet the needs of the Palestinian people within UNESCO's fields of competence;
3. Also invites him to give special attention to the implementation of priority projects, in particular those previously defined in the Organization's studies;
4. Decides to include this question in the agenda for its twenty-eighth session.

(142 EX/SR.11)

#### **9.4 Nomination of a candidate for the post of Director-General of UNESCO**

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

(142 EX/SR.6)

#### **9.5 Request for the admission of Niue as a member of UNESCO (142 EX/45)**

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the Premier of Niue, on 20 August 1993, requested the admission of Niue to membership of UNESCO,
2. Having noted that Niue accepts UNESCO's Constitution and is ready to fulfil the obligations that will devolve upon it by virtue of its admission and to contribute to the expenses of the Organization,
3. Decides, pursuant to Article II, paragraph 2, of UNESCO's Constitution, to recommend that the General Conference, at its twenty-seventh session, admit Niue to membership of the Organization;
4. Recommends. that the General Conference adopt the following resolution:

The General Conference,

Considering that the Premier of Niue, on 20 August 1993, requested the admission of Niue to membership of UNESCO,

Having noted that Niue accepts UNESCO's Constitution and is ready to fulfil the obligations that will devolve upon it by virtue of its admission and to contribute to the expenses of the Organization,

Having noted that the Executive Board, at its 142nd session, recommended the admission of Niue to membership of UNESCO,

Decides to admit Niue as a member of UNESCO.

(142 EX/SR.7)

### **ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING THE PRIVATE MEETINGS HELD ON 18,19 AND 22 OCTOBER 1993**

At the private meetings held on 18, 19 and 22 October 1993 the Executive Board considered items 3.2, 6.4, 8.8 and 9.4 of its agenda.

#### **3.2 Report by the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations: examination of communications transmitted to the Committee in pursuance of 104 EX/Decision 3.3 (142 EX/3 PRIV.)**

- (a) The Executive Board examined the report of its Committee on Conventions and Recommendations concerning the communications received by the Organization on the subject of cases and questions of alleged violations of human rights in UNESCO's fields of competence;
- (b) The Board took note of the narrative part of the report and endorsed the wishes expressed by the Committee.

#### **6.4 Submission of nominations for the offices of president and vice-president of the General Conference and chairman of the commissions and committees (see decision 6.4)**

#### **8.8 Consultation in pursuance of Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board (142 EX/PRIV.1)**

At the private meeting held on 18 October 1993 the Executive Board considered item 8.8 of its agenda, entitled 'Consultation in pursuance of Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board'.

In accordance with Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, the Director-General, having informed the Board of the decisions he had taken since its 141st session, or was intending to take, concerning post reclassifications and promotions of officials at grade D-1 and above, consulted it concerning the extension of the contracts of a number of officials at grade D-1 and above. The Director-General also gave the Board information about personnel policy for the coming years.

#### **9.4 Nomination of a candidate for the post of Director-General of UNESCO**

At its private meetings held on 18 and 19 October 1993 the Executive Board considered item 9.4 of its agenda concerning the nomination of a candidate for the post of Director-General of UNESCO.

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In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and of the Rules of Procedure, the Board decided by secret ballot to nominate to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session Mr Federico Mayor, Director-General of UNESCO, for a second term of office.

At its private meeting held on 18 October, the Executive Board drew up the draft contract between the Organization and the Director-General with a view to submitting it to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session.