

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in his annual report on personnel questions, to include an account of the work of the panel, including the number and categories of cases dealt with, whether they were satisfactorily resolved and the main problems encountered.

*66th plenary meeting  
11 November 1977*

**32/39. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations**

*The General Assembly*

*Resolves that:*

(a) The scale of assessments for the contributions of Member States to the United Nations budget for the financial years 1978 and 1979 shall be as follows:

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Per cent</i>	<i>Member State</i>	<i>Per cent</i>
Afghanistan	0.01	German Democratic Republic	1.33
Albania	0.01	Germany, Federal Republic of	7.70
Algeria	0.10	Ghana	0.02
Angola	0.02	Greece	0.35
Argentina	0.84	Grenada	0.01
Australia	1.54	Guatemala	0.02
Austria	0.64	Guinea	0.01
Bahamas	0.01	Guinea-Bissau	0.01
Bahrain	0.01	Guyana	0.01
Bangladesh	0.04	Haiti	0.01
Barbados	0.01	Honduras	0.01
Belgium	1.08	Hungary	0.33
Benin	0.01	Iceland	0.02
Bhutan	0.01	India	0.68
Bolivia	0.01	Indonesia	0.14
Botswana	0.01	Iran	0.40
Brazil	1.04	Iraq	0.08
Bulgaria	0.14	Ireland	0.15
Burma	0.01	Israel	0.23
Burundi	0.01	Italy	3.38
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	0.41	Ivory Coast	0.02
Canada	3.04	Jamaica	0.02
Cape Verde	0.01	Japan	8.64
Central African Empire	0.01	Jordan	0.01
Chad	0.01	Kenya	0.01
Chile	0.09	Kuwait	0.15
China	5.50	Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.01
Colombia	0.11	Lebanon	0.03
Comoros	0.01	Lesotho	0.01
Congo	0.01	Liberia	0.01
Costa Rica	0.02	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	0.16
Cuba	0.11	Luxembourg	0.04
Cyprus	0.01	Madagascar	0.01
Czechoslovakia	0.84	Malawi	0.01
Democratic Kampuchea	0.01	Malaysia	0.09
Democratic Yemen	0.01	Maldives	0.01
Denmark	0.64	Mali	0.01
Dominican Republic	0.02	Malta	0.01
Ecuador	0.02	Mauritania	0.01
Egypt	0.08	Mauritius	0.01
El Salvador	0.01	Mexico	0.79
Equatorial Guinea	0.01	Mongolia	0.01
Ethiopia	0.01	Morocco	0.05
Fiji	0.01	Mozambique	0.02
Finland	0.44	Nepal	0.01
France	5.82	Netherlands	1.42
Gabon	0.01	New Zealand	0.26
Gambia	0.01	Nicaragua	0.01
		Niger	0.01
		Nigeria	0.13
		Norway	0.45
		Oman	0.01
		Pakistan	0.07
		Panama	0.02
		Papua New Guinea	0.01
		Paraguay	0.01
		Peru	0.06
		Philippines	0.10
		Poland	1.39
		Portugal	0.19
		Qatar	0.02
		Romania	0.24
		Rwanda	0.01
		Samoa	0.01
		Sao Tome and Principe	0.01
		Saudi Arabia	0.23
		Senegal	0.01
		Seychelles	0.01

Member State	Per cent
Sierra Leone	0.01
Singapore	0.08
Somalia	0.01
South Africa	0.42
Spain	1.53
Sri Lanka	0.02
Sudan	0.01
Surinam	0.01
Swaziland	0.01
Sweden	1.24
Syrian Arab Republic	0.02
Thailand	0.10
Togo	0.01
Trinidad and Tobago	0.03
Tunisia	0.02
Turkey	0.30
Uganda	0.01
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1.53
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	11.60
United Arab Emirates	0.07
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	4.52
United Republic of Cameroon	0.01
United Republic of Tanzania	0.01
United States of America	25.00
Upper Volta	0.01
Uruguay	0.04
Venezuela	0.39
Yemen	0.01
Yugoslavia	0.39
Zaire	0.02
Zambia	0.02
	100.00

(b) Subject to rule 160 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the scale of assessments given in subparagraph (a) above shall be reviewed by the Committee on Contributions in 1979 when a report shall be submitted to the Assembly for consideration at its thirty-fourth session;

(c) Notwithstanding the terms of regulation 5.5 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, the Secretary-General shall be empowered to accept, at his discretion and after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee on Contributions, a portion of the contributions of Member States for the calendar years 1978 and 1979 in currencies other than United States dollars;

(d) For the year 1976, Seychelles, Angola and Samoa, which became Members of the United Nations on 21 September, 1 December and 15 December 1976, respectively, shall contribute amounts equal to one ninth of 0.02 per cent;

(e) For the year 1977, Seychelles, Angola and Samoa shall contribute amounts equal to 0.02 per cent;

(f) The contributions of the three new Member States for 1976 and 1977 shall be applied to the same basis of assessment as for other Member States, except that in the case of appropriations approved under General Assembly resolution 3374 B (XXX) of 28 November 1975, under section II of Assembly resolution 3374 C (XXX) of 2 December 1975 and under Assembly resolutions 31/5 C and D of 22 December 1976 for the financing of the United Nations Emergency Force and of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, the contributions of those States, in

accordance with the group of contributors to which they may be assigned by the Assembly, shall be calculated in proportion to the calendar year;

(g) Subject to rule 160 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, States which are not Members of the United Nations but which participate in certain of its activities shall be called upon to contribute towards the 1978 and 1979 expenses of such activities on the basis of the following rates:

Non-member State	Per cent
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.05
Holy See	0.01
Liechtenstein	0.01
Monaco	0.01
Nauru	0.01
Republic of Korea	0.13
San Marino	0.01
Switzerland	0.96
Tonga	0.01

the following countries being called upon to contribute:

(i) *To the International Court of Justice:*

Liechtenstein,  
San Marino,  
Switzerland;

(ii) *To the international control of narcotic drugs:*

Holy See,  
Liechtenstein,  
Monaco,  
Republic of Korea,  
Switzerland,  
Tonga;

(iii) *To the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific:*

Republic of Korea;

(iv) *To the Economic Commission for Europe:*

Switzerland;

(v) *To the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development*

Democratic People's Republic of Korea,  
Holy See,  
Liechtenstein,  
Monaco,  
Republic of Korea,  
San Marino,  
Switzerland;

(vi) *To the United Nations Industrial Development Organization:*

Liechtenstein,  
Monaco,  
Republic of Korea,  
Switzerland;

(h) Angola, which became a Member of the United Nations on 1 December 1976 but which participated in the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development with effect from 19 May 1976, shall be called upon to contribute towards the 1976 expenses of the Conference at the rate of one half of 0.02 per cent;

(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (f) of General Assembly resolution 3062 (XXVIII) of 9 November 1973 and subparagraph (h) of Assembly resolution 31/95 B of 14 December 1976, the Holy See, by virtue of its change in status from representative

to observer to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization with effect from December 1975, shall not be called upon to contribute towards the expenses of that organization for the calendar years 1976 and 1977.

90th plenary meeting  
2 December 1977

### 32/71. Pattern of conferences<sup>20</sup>

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 1202 (XII) of 13 December 1957, 1851 (XVII) of 19 December 1962, 1987 (XVIII) of 17 December 1963, 2116 (XX) of 21 December 1965, 2239 (XXI) of 20 December 1966, 2361 (XXII) of 19 December 1967, 2478 (XXIII) of 21 December 1968, 2609 (XXIV) of 16 December 1969, 2693 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, 2834 (XXVI) of 17 December 1971, 2960 (XXVII) of 13 December 1972, 3351 (XXIX) of 18 December 1974, 3491 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and 31/140 of 17 December 1976,

*Concerned* at the magnitude of the additional costs incurred as a result of intersessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and at the continued waste of resources through the cancellation of meetings,

#### I

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Committee on Conferences<sup>21</sup> established by its resolution 3351 (XXIX);

2. *Decides* that sessions of the Legal Sub-Committee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space will be held alternately at Geneva and New York;

3. *Approves*, bearing in mind paragraph 2 above, the draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 1978-1979 set forth in annex I.A to the report of the Committee on Conferences;

#### II

1. *Takes note* of the successful application of the one-stage system of meeting records with corrigenda, which made savings possible;<sup>22</sup>

2. *Expresses the hope* that this system will be administered so as to provide continued substantial savings to the Organization;

3. *Urges* bodies entitled to meeting records to dispense with them for particular discussions, whether of an informal nature or otherwise, when they are not absolutely necessary;

4. *Decides* that the criteria, which were adopted on an experimental basis for the current biennium, should be continued and used more widely;

#### III

1. *Calls upon* all bodies to keep to a minimum the intersessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences;

<sup>20</sup> See also sect. X.B.7, decision 32/420.

<sup>21</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 32 (A/32/32).*

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. IV.

2. *Affirms* that, if and when intersessional departures are granted, the servicing should be financed from the approved appropriations for conference services;

3. *Urges* all bodies to conclude their work within the time allotted to them;

#### IV

*Sets forth* the following guidelines for reducing the wastage resulting from cancellation of scheduled meetings:

1. The substantive secretariat of each body should circulate to the members before the first meeting of each session a draft agenda and time-table for the completion of consideration of items, taking into account the availability of documentation.

2. The programme for each meeting should include more than one agenda item so that, if consideration of an item is interrupted or completed, the members may pass on to another item.

3. In order that delegations may initiate substantive discussion at the first meeting, after the organization of work, committee secretaries should consult with delegations before the opening of the session to ascertain whether some representatives would be prepared to speak on the first substantive item at the opening meeting. As is the practice of the General Assembly, a list of speakers should be compiled several days in advance of the debate on each item. It would in general be advisable to convene meetings only when there are a sufficient number of speakers to ensure adequate utilization of available resources.

4. The secretariat of each body should make sure that documentation is made available to all members sufficiently in advance of the session to permit proper study of it and, in consultation with the chairman, should schedule meetings only when the documentation has been available for an adequate period.

5. In planning the requirements for a given session, allowance should be made for at least one day towards the end of the session without meetings so that draft reports, resolutions and decisions can be prepared without interfering with the committee's business.

6. Committee secretaries should identify any possible overlapping in the membership of their committee with that of certain others, particularly those in the same field of activity, with a view to reducing the likelihood of conflicting meeting schedules; the Committee on Conferences, in its own examination of the proposed calendars, should also pay particular attention to this point.

7. The secretary of each body should bring to the attention of members, as appropriate, any resolutions and decisions on the regulation of meetings and conferences, including directives on the allocation and utilization of conference resources.

8. The secretary of each body should inform the members, at the beginning of each session, of the conference resources, including the number of meetings and the extent of interpretation services, made available to the body and should give them a brief account, at appropriate intervals during the session, of the use they have been making of those resources.

99th plenary meeting  
9 December 1977