

General Conference

THIRD REGULAR SESSION

Agenda item 15
(GC(III)/88/Rev.2)

**RULES REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS
OF MONEY TO THE AGENCY**

Report of the Administrative and Legal Committee

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1. The Committee, at its fourteenth meeting on 28 September 1959, considered item 15 of the agenda, concerning rules regarding the acceptance of voluntary contributions of money to the Agency. The Committee had before it the draft rules prepared by the Board of Governors (GC(III)/80, annex) and a report of the Board commenting thereon (GC(III)/80).
2. The discussion of the Committee concerned particularly paragraphs 1 and 4 of the draft rules, dealing respectively with the categories of potential donors and with the currencies of donations. An oral amendment was proposed by Czechoslovakia to alter paragraph 1(b) to read:

"(b) Governments of other States whether or not they are members of the United Nations or of any of the specialized agencies."

The amendment was rejected - 11 votes in favour, 26 opposed, three abstentions. The draft resolution proposed by the Board was adopted by 33 votes in favour, none opposed and seven abstentions.
3. The Committee accordingly recommends that the General Conference adopt the following resolution:

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(a) Having in mind the provisions of Articles V.E.8 and XIV.F and G of the Statute, and

(b) Recalling paragraph 1 of its resolution GC(II)/RES/23 in which it requested the Board of Governors to prepare rules regarding the acceptance of voluntary contributions to the Agency as soon as possible, and to submit them to the General Conference for approval at its third regular session;

Approves the rules regarding the acceptance of voluntary contributions of money to the Agency recommended by the Board of Governors as set forth in the annex to this resolution.

ANNEX

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1. Voluntary contributions to the General Fund may be offered by:
 - (a) Governments of States Members of the Agency;
 - (b) Governments of other States which are Members of the United Nations or of any of the specialized agencies;
 - (c) Organizations with which the Agency is in relationship under Article XVI.A of its Statute; and
 - (d) Non-governmental sources.
2. The Director General may accept and place in the General Fund voluntary contributions of money offered to the Agency by any of the sources mentioned in Rule 1 provided:
 - (a) That they are offered without limitation as to use; and
 - (b) That in the case of a contribution from a non-governmental source they do not exceed US \$1 000 or its equivalent per year from that source.

3. Offers of voluntary contributions of money to the Agency which are by any of the sources mentioned in Rule 1 and which are not accepted under Rule 2 shall be referred by the Director General to the Board of Governors as soon as possible for decision, bearing in mind the provisions of the Statute and the interests of the Agency.
4. Contributions shall be made in currency readily usable by the Agency consistent with the need for efficiency and economy of its operations, or shall be transferable to the greatest possible extent into currency readily usable by the Agency. To this end Governments shall be urged to make available as large a percentage as possible of their contributions in such currency or currencies as the Director General may consider usable for the execution of the Agency's programme. The Director General shall, at the end of the first year following the adoption of these Rules and subsequently as the Board of Governors may request, report to the Board for its consideration on the extent to which restrictions which have been maintained in contributions have affected the flexibility, efficiency and economy of the Agency's operations. The Board of Governors shall consider what action may be necessary with respect to currency found not readily usable in order to facilitate the Agency's operations.

