

The Council elected as its Chairman the delegate from Norway, Mr. Frihagen, with, as Vice-Chairmen, the delegates for Australia, Yugoslavia, and Byelorussia. Greece, India, New Zealand, and Poland were elected to the General (or "Steering") Committee, which consists of members of the Central Committee, the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Council, and four other members chosen at the session. Dr. Rajchman (Poland) and Sir Atul Chatterjee (India) were elected chairmen of the Committee on Policy and the Committee on Procedure respectively; these are Committees on which all member-countries sit and where the bulk of the work is carried through.

The Committee on Supplies, of which New Zealand is a member, had one meeting during the Geneva session; its subject matter can be best mentioned later in this report.

A general picture of UNRRA's achievements to date and of the tasks still outstanding may be sketched by quoting some material from the Director-General's oral statement of 7th August, 1946, and his written reports up to 30th June, 1946:—

" . . . During July (1946)," said Mr. La Guardia, "UNRRA broke all previous records by shipping over 2,000,000 tons of supplies. Much of this was vitally needed rehabilitation equipment, procurement of which was initiated in 1945 and early 1946. We have shipped a total of over 13,000,000 tons.

"The total programme of UNRRA up to December, 1946, will be 2,937 million dollars . . . and there is not any more. (The United States contributed slightly over 70 per cent. of the total.) Not one of the contributing nations has made any provision for UNRRA for the year 1947."

In more detail, the following shows the volume and value of shipments under the programme as completed to the end of June, and the value of total programmes to the end of 1946:—

Commodities.	To 30th June, 1946.		To 31st December, 1946.
	Tons.	United States Dollars ('000's).	United States Dollars ('000's).
Food	5,905,439	800,654	1,120,977
Clothing, textiles, and footwear	391,095	303,563	448,675
Agricultural rehabilitation	849,950	130,805	361,771
Industrial rehabilitation	4,092,521	260,163	707,341
Medical and sanitation	103,274	64,728	156,280
Supplies procured from military	1,181,410	138,504	138,504
Unclassified	331,556	22,472	3,592
All commodities	12,855,245	1,720,889	2,937,140

By receiving countries the estimated values of shipments to the end of the programme are as follows (with a figure in parentheses showing the percentage of fulfilment to the end of June, 1946):—

	Total Programme, United States Dollars.	Percentage fulfilled to 30th June 1946.
China	550,000,000	(31)
Poland	474,000,000	(66)
Yugoslavia	429,000,000	(77)
Italy	425,000,000	(45)
Greece	358,000,000	(78)
Czechoslovakia	270,000,000	(65)
Ukraine	189,000,000	(48)
Austria	117,000,000	(65)
Byelorussia	61,000,000	(62)
Albania	28,500,000	(55)
All countries	..	(59)