

“RESOLVED:

“1. That the Council recommend that member governments maintaining military forces in other countries receiving relief from UNRRA direct their forces to refrain from:

“(a) Consuming locally produced foodstuffs (other than fresh fruits and vegetables of a perishable nature which are in temporary local surplus), fuel or other supplies which are normally included in an UNRRA program, or using land or other local resources which could be utilised for the production of supplies to meet the relief needs of the local population and

“(b) Impeding in any way the equitable distribution of imported and indigenous relief supplies, or the effective use of land or local resources for the production of such supplies.

“2. That the Administration shall establish programs for such countries on the assumption that all such military forces of member governments will, in fact, carry out the recommendation set forth in 1 above.

“3. That if the Central Committee determines on information received from the Administration or any other official authoritative source that any such military forces are not carrying out the provisions mentioned in 1 above the Administration shall accordingly adjust its program in such a way that to the greatest practicable extent the deficit in relief supplies thereby created will not reduce the standard of living in areas other than the zones in which the military forces of the member governments responsible for causing the deficit are present, except that the Director General in consultation with the Central Committee, may take other appropriate action if he deems it advisable.”

Under the heading of Displaced Persons, three items were set down for consideration on the agenda for the Fourth Session:—

(1) Review of the authority of the Administration with respect to displaced persons operations under Resolution 71.

This resolution, passed by the Third Session of the Council, authorized the Administration to care for displaced persons of United Nations nationality in ex-enemy territory, irrespective of whether the Governments of which such persons are nationals consent to such assistance. The resolution provided for the authority granted therein to be reviewed at the end of six months following the termination of the Third Session. The question before the Fourth Session was whether the Administration's authority should be continued, modified, or terminated.

(2) Consideration of the general problem of continued assistance to all displaced persons for whom the Administration has responsibility under various Council resolutions.

This item concerned those displaced persons who cannot, or do not desire to, be returned to their country of former nationality or former residence and who are entitled to UNRRA care for a temporary period. The question before the Council was to decide when and under what conditions this period of temporary care should be terminated and whether arrangements should be made for the transfer of UNRRA responsibility to other organizations.

The Council agreed at the outset to consider the above two items jointly and to embody its conclusions in one general resolution.