

on all sides, and the United States took the opportunity to present to Mr La Guardia the Order of Merit awarded him for his work in connection with the Canada - United States Joint Defence Board. General Lowell W. Rooks, Deputy Director-General, was unanimously appointed to fill Mr La Guardia's post as from the 31 December.

The Administrative Budget for 1947 was approved after thorough debate by the Committee on Financial Control, although a number of countries formally stated that they did not intend to contribute.

Two reports were received from a representative of the Interim Commission of the World Health Organization indicating the scope of the new Organization's work and the plans made for its activities.

Mr La Guardia had hoped that UNRRA's Central Committee would recommend an immediate grant of funds to the newly established International Children's Fund as an earnest of the eventual contribution to be made out of the residuary assets of UNRRA to that Fund. For this reason, it was agreed that the donation of \$550,000 to the Fund by the Famine Emergency Food Collection, Inc., should be made during the session, and, in spite of the fact that UNRRA was not making an immediate contribution, the Chairman of Committee III of the General Assembly of the United Nations (Sir Carl Berendsen) received this gift at the hands of Mr La Guardia at a very impressive function during the sixth plenary meeting.

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CARL BERENDSEN.

ANNEX I.—STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR 1947

[Extract from the Administrative Budget for the Fiscal Year 1947 presented to the Council by the Director-General]

The total administrative expenses for the calendar year 1947 is estimated at \$9,500,000 and authorization for the full amount will be required. This compares with estimated expenditures in 1946 of \$18,693,000, including accruals in 1946 that are expendable in 1947.

Object of Expenditure.	Estimated, 1946.	Expenditure, 1947.	Per Cent. Reduction.
	\$	\$	
Personal Services	10,866,410	5,787,500	46·74
Travel and Subsistence	1,028,434	481,455	53·19
Communications	1,435,069	798,670	44·35
General Supplies and Materials	787,827	328,905	58·25
General Equipment	785,746	164,935	79·01
Other Contractual Services	1,818,514	1,163,535	36·02
Official UNRRA History	25,000	..	..
Sixth Council Session	125,000	..	..
Termination Pay in Lieu of Notice	943,500	..	..
Incentive Bonus	877,500	575,000	34·47
Repatriation Costs	..	200,000	..
	18,693,000	(a) 9,500,000	49·18

(a) Includes accruals in 1946 which will actually be expended in 1947.