

The sub-committee also submitted to the Committee a draft resolution calling upon the Economic and Social Council to expedite consideration of the establishment of an Economic Commission for the Middle East, and this resolution was accepted without alteration.

In the Assembly the resolution regarding economic development was adopted unanimously, and that regarding the Middle East Commission by 52 votes with 1 abstention.

Technical Assistance for Economic Development

The delegates of *Burma, Chile, Egypt, and Peru* jointly submitted a draft resolution calling upon the Assembly to authorize the Secretary-General to—

- (a) Provide teams of experts from the United Nations and specialized agencies to advise on economic development programmes ;
- (b) Arrange facilities for the training of experts from under-developed countries through the provision of fellowships for study abroad ;
- (c) Provide necessary equipment for the local training of technicians ;
- (d) Assist Governments to obtain technical personnel, equipment, and supplies.

At the same time the delegate for *Haiti* submitted a draft resolution calling upon the International Labour Organization to examine urgently ways and means of training apprentices and technical workers from countries lacking technicians.

During the discussion of these draft resolutions members spoke of the need for assistance in the development of industrially backward countries. At the request of the *United States* delegate the Secretary-General outlined a number of activities similar to those contemplated in the joint resolution and in which the United Nations had already engaged. These included the organization and financing of teams of experts, provision of facilities for technical training, and organization of international conferences.

At the conclusion of the discussion the Committee appointed a ten-member¹ sub-committee to revise the two resolutions. The sub-committee adopted two draft resolutions, the operative portions of which corresponded to the provisions of the original drafts.

The sub-committee also presented a recommendation that sufficient money should be allocated to permit the despatch to under-developed areas of as many missions, and the provision of as many fellowships as possible, as well as to initiate the other activities included in the resolution.

¹ Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Burma, Byelorussia, Chile, Norway, Peru, Poland, and Syria.