

The *Soviet* delegation proposed two additional paragraphs to the *New Zealand* draft, requesting the Secretary-General firstly to report to the Economic and Social Council on the possibility of reducing the permanent organs set up by its Co-ordination Committee, and secondly "to arrange with the specialized agencies for full reimbursement by the latter to United Nations of expenditures connected with the offices and administrative services placed at their disposal."

To many members of the Committee it seemed that the first of these paragraphs was too extreme and might result in undue reduction of the organs. After some discussion the *Canadian* delegate proposed a redraft calling upon the Economic and Social Council to continue its activities in the field, "suggesting further improvements and . . . bringing to a minimum consistent with efficiency the number of such organs."

In connection with the second paragraph, the Secretary-General explained the technical accounting difficulties which would be involved in the Soviet proposal, and also the practice at present adopted of charging in full for direct services plus a percentage charge for general overhead expenses. At the suggestion of *New Zealand* the word "full" was replaced by "adequate."

The Committee then adopted unanimously the *New Zealand* resolution, into which were incorporated the *Soviet* and *Canadian* amendments. The resolution was adopted by the Assembly without vote.

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Agenda

The following agenda items were allocated to Committee III:—

1. Draft Protocol to 1931 Convention on Narcotic Drugs.
2. Draft Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
3. Draft Declaration of Old-age Rights.