

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Canada has been an active participant in the negotiations leading to the establishment of an International Atomic Energy Agency, and was a co-sponsor of the resolution adopted at the tenth General Assembly which noted with satisfaction that substantial progress had been made toward the preparation of a draft statute establishing the Agency and recommended that all possible measures be taken to establish the Agency without delay. The negotiating group has been enlarged and will report to a conference to be called to complete the drafting of the convention setting up the Agency. In the meantime, the Secretary-General is to prepare a study of the relationship between the Agency and the United Nations.

On December 3 the General Assembly adopted unanimously a United States resolution, also sponsored by Canada, establishing a scientific committee to study the effects of atomic radiation. The committee is composed of scientists representing the Governments of Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, France, India, Japan, Mexico, Sweden, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The committee is called upon to submit yearly progress reports and to develop by July 1, 1958, or earlier, a summary of the radiological information received from states members of the United Nations and of its Specialized Agencies.

5. Financial Contributions

Canada's financial assessment for the United Nations for the year 1955 was, in Canadian funds, \$1,416,434, and for the Specialized Agencies, \$1,232,550. The Assembly approved a gross expenditure budget for the organization in 1956 of \$48,566,350.

Voluntary contributions were made by Canada to the following special funds: United Nations Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, \$1,500,000; United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), \$500,000; United Nations Refugee Fund, \$125,000 for the first year of the four-year programme of the High Commissioner for Refugees (in Europe); United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees, \$500,000; United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, \$500,000.