

(a) Training both in technologically advanced countries and at home in agricultural and industrial techniques, and in such basic administrative techniques as public finance and compilation of statistics;

(b) Survey missions to recommend what economic development can usefully be undertaken in an area;

(c) Setting up, when appropriate, pilot projects.

4. The Technical Assistance Programme is designed to recommend the type and degree of economic development which would be most suitable for the countries which may apply for assistance in increasing their economic productivity. In addition, the Programme would provide training personnel from the advanced countries and would also undertake to provide for the training of personnel from backward countries.

5. The country concerned must, however, make its own arrangements for obtaining the capital required to carry out the recommendations. The country being assisted must determine whether domestic capital, foreign private capital, foreign government loans or loans from the Inter-Bank for Reconstruction and Development are to be used. Some assurance that such funds will be available will normally be required before an extensive project of technical assistance is approved.

6. Applications for assistance originate with the government of the country concerned and are directed to any of the Specialized Agencies or the United Nations. Technical Assistance which involves more than one Specialized Agency is considered by the Technical Assistance Board (TAB) which is composed of the Directors-General of all participating Specialized Agencies.

7. The participating Specialized Agencies are:

Food and Agriculture Organization

International Civil Aviation Organization

International Labour Organization

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

World Health Organization

Other Specialized Agencies of the United Nations have indicated their unanimous agreement to participate in the Programme should their services be requested.

8. The Economic and Social Council meets only twice a year. Therefore, a Technical Assistance Committee, consisting of representatives of each of the eighteen countries comprising the Council, has been approved. Since Canada will be a member of the Council for three years beginning January 1, 1950, it may be expected that Canada will have a strong voice in determining the nature of the Programme and in ensuring its success. The terms of reference of the Technical Assistance Committee as set out in the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council include:—

(a) To make for the Council critical examinations of activities undertaken and results achieved under the expanded programme of technical assistance;

(b) To examine each year's programme presented to it by the TAB and report to the Council concerning it, making such recommendations as it may deem necessary;