

these countries. More recently all United States aid, in the form of economic grants and technical assistance, was placed under the direction of the Mutual Security Administration, headed by Mr. Averell Harriman.

UNITED NATIONS EXPANDED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME

In accordance with President Truman's suggestion that technical assistance "should be a co-operative enterprise in which all nations work together through the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies, whenever practicable" the United States Delegation to the 9th Session of the Economic and Social Council, in 1949, took the initiative in calling upon the Council to prepare an expanded version of the regular technical assistance programmes. After this proposal had been debated by the representatives of the 18 member states on the Economic and Social Council, a resolution was adopted urging the members of the United Nations to support an expanded version of the regular technical assistance programmes. This recommendation was accepted by the 4th Session of the General Assembly in November 1949. Although voting in favour of the resolution in the General Assembly the Soviet Bloc has made no contribution to this programme.

At the 4th Session a budget of 20 million dollars, for the period July 1, 1950 to December 31, 1951, was approved. This Special Fund, representing the contributions of 31 nations, is allocated to the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies, taking part in the Expanded Programme, on a percentage basis. The greater portion of the Special Fund goes to the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), the World Health Organization (WHO), and the Technical Assistance Administration of the United Nations.

Technical Assistance Administration of the United Nations

This Administration was set up in 1950 to handle all United Nations activities in the sphere of technical assistance. These activities are concerned primarily with the setting up of administrative or social welfare services, statistical services and development planning for industrial and natural resources, which fields are not covered by the Specialized Agencies. Because of his understanding of the problems involved, Dr. H.L. Keenleyside was chosen as Director-General of this new Administration. He is directly responsible to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and holds the personal rank of an Assistant Secretary-General.

Technical Assistance Board and Technical Assistance Committee

To co-ordinate the activities of the Expanded Programme and to plan the budget for each year's operations a Technical Assistance Board has been set up, comprised of the executive heads of the Specialized Agencies taking part in the programme, [the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), the World Health Organization (WHO), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the International Labour Organization (ILO), and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)] and of the Director-General of the Technical Assistance Administration. The Technical Assistance Board, whose chairman is the Assistant Secretary General of the United Nations for Economic Affairs, reports at each session of the Economic and Social Council, through the Technical