

Item 96a—Contribution to India of 500 tons of Electrolytic Nickel;

Item 97a—Credits in the current and subsequent fiscal years to the Government of India to finance the purchase in Canada of aircraft and associated spare parts and equipment;

Item 98a—Contribution to Greece of surplus Canadian food products to assist in meeting special defence requirements;

Item 116a—Assessment for the United Nations Congo Ad Hoc Account for the period July 1, 1963 to December 31, 1963;

Item 117a—Assessment towards financing the United Nations Emergency Force;

Item L10a—Additional Advance to the Working Capital Fund of the United Nations Organization;

Item L13a—Loans to the Government of India.

Item 1—Departmental Administration—was called.

At this point, Mr. Thompson referred to the fact that Canadians entering the foreign service were deprived of their franchise when posted outside Canada, and proposed that the Committee recommend to the House that Canadians in foreign service be afforded the opportunity to exercise their franchise. The matter was discussed.

Item 1 was approved.

On Item 50—External Aid Office—Salaries and Expenses, Mr. Brewin moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that the Committee include in its report to the House the following:

“Having regard to the fact that reputable private organizations are concerned with many worthwhile projects in the field of external aid and that they raise substantial sums of money for such purposes but that they need additional funds from time to time to carry out such projects:

This committee recommends that certain sums be made available in future estimates to enable grants to be made to assist private organizations in projects in the field of external aid which are approved by the external aid office.”

Mr. Gelber moved, seconded by Mr. Deachman, that the resolution be considered at the next meeting of the committee.

This motion was negatived on the following division: YEAS, 4; NAYS, 6.

Mr. Brewin's motion was carried on division.

Item 50 was adopted.

At 11.10 p.m., on motion of Mr. Lachance, the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Gabrielle Savard,
Clerk of the Committee.

WEDNESDAY, December 18, 1963.

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The Standing Committee on External Affairs met *in camera* this day at 4.00 p.m. The Chairman, Mr. John R. Matheson, presided.