

6.523 Assist the preparation and publication of a new edition of the "Index Bibliograficus" published before the war under the auspices of the League of Nations by the International Institute for Intellectual Co-operation; assist in the preparation of lists of existing international bibliographies of recognized value; stimulate and promote the preparation of bibliographies of this type for subjects not yet covered.

6.524 Consult with a joint committee of the International Federation of Library Associations, the International Federation for Documentation and other related bodies with a view to the possible creation of an international council of librarianship, documentation and archives.

6.525 Reproduction of Periodicals

The Director-General is instructed to promote the reproduction, by micro-film, photolithography or other suitable methods, of out-of-print periodicals in selected fields of education, science and culture, so as to supply the needs of libraries in Member States, particularly in war-devastated areas.

6.5251 To that end he is requested to ascertain needs, establish priorities and develop a scheme for reproduction and distribution.

6.53 Low-Priced Books

The Director-General is instructed to encourage the production of low-priced books, periodicals, and teaching material in the fields of Unesco's interests.

The Director-General shall give due regard to the interests of authors and shall assure their representation on any committees of experts and at conferences called on this subject.

6.54 Publications Subsidy Fund

The Director-General is instructed to consider the possibility of the establishment of a special fund to assist the publication of works of importance in the field of science and learning, designed for a limited audience, and to report thereon to the General Conference.

6.55 Exchange and Distribution of Publications

The Director-General is instructed:

6.551 To maintain clearing house activities to provide for or assist in the collection, allocation, distribution and exchange of publications, including the publication of a bulletin for libraries;

6.552 To promote the organization, maintenance and development of national book exchange and distribution centres, and to put them in touch with one another;

6.553 To promote, through inter-governmental agreements, agreements between national exchange centres and otherwise, the increase and improvement of exchange of publications, both official and other, between governments, non-governmental institutions and research libraries.

6.56 Unesco International Coupon Scheme

The Director-General is instructed to operate an international Book Coupon Scheme, to permit institutions and individuals in soft-currency countries to buy books and periodicals from hard-currency countries; and to extend it to cover other educational, scientific and cultural material including educational and scientific films, within the limits of Unesco's resources in hard currency or by any other means which may add to those resources.