

UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD AT ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION

(7 June to 9 July 1951)

Present:

Chairman: H. E. Count Stefano Jacini

Vice-Chairman: Dr. Luther H. Evans

Members: General Sir Ronald Adam, Dr. Rafael Bernal Jimenez, Professor Paulo Carneiro, H. E. Mr. Antonio Castro Leal, H. E. Mr. Victor Doré, Mgr Jean Maroun, H. E. Dr. C. Parra-Perez, Senator Geronima Pecson, Professor Alex Photiades, Professor Jean Piaget, H. E. Sir Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, Mr. Roger Seydoux, Professor Alf Sommerfelt, Mr. Ahmet Kutsi Tecer, Professor Louis Verniers

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Representatives: Mr. George Peissel, Mr. Louis Gros and Mr. R. Borda de Moraes (United Nations); Miss B. Howell (WHO) Mme Jouhaux (ILO)

Meetings were held on 7, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14 June and, during the Sixth Session of the General Conference on 20, 21, 23, 26 and 30 June, 3, 5, 6 and 9 July

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Item 1 OPENING OF THE SESSION

Item 2 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The revised provisional agenda was adopted with certain amendments. Further additional items were added to the agenda during the Sixth Session of the General Conference, The final agenda is as shown in this document,

Item 3 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION

The minutes were approved. (26 EX/SR. 1)

Item 4 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

Consideration of the report and preparation of comments to be made by the Chairman in presenting the report to the General Conference
(document 6C/3 and addendum)

The report was presented by the Director-General and, after a discussion, the following resolution was adopted:

“The Executive Board,

Having taken note of the Director-General's Report on the activities of the Organization from April 1950 to May 1951, which is to be presented to the General Conference at its Sixth Session,

Expresses its satisfaction at the improved administrative machinery and methods as well as at the progress made in carrying out the programme,

Congratulates the Director-General on the work he has done and on the tireless zeal with which he has carried Unesco's message to all parts of the world,

Declares to the whole Secretariat its appreciation of the efficiency and devotion with which its work has been performed,

Hopes that Unesco's efforts, to the effectiveness and necessity of which this report testifies, will be increasingly integrated through ever closer co-ordination of the activities of governmental departments, national commissions and non-governmental international organizations with those of the Secretariat,

Recognizing the financial burdens which weigh upon Member States at the present time, but believing that no effort on behalf of peace can be judged negligible if its immediate result is to develop international co-operation and understanding through education, science and culture,

Recommends that the General Conference, having regard to the achievements shown in this Report and to those promised from plans already set in motion, should furnish Unesco with sufficient funds to enable its work to be pursued and its influence maintained at least at the present level,

Reaffirms its conviction that Unesco's aims cannot be attained by material means alone, but that they demand, in those who believe in them and wish to further them, the spirit of sacrifice inseparable from a genuine faith in the dignity of man and brotherhood of nations".

The comments, based on the Board's discussion, made by the Chairman in presenting the report to the General Conference will be found in document 6C/D/3 and in the verbatim record of the Third Plenary Meeting of the Sixth Session of the General Conference.

(26 EX/SR. 1, 7, 8)

Item 5 PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 1952

Draft Programme of Unesco for 1952 presented to the General Conference by the Executive Board and budget estimates for the financial year 1952 (documents 6C/5 (I) and (II), corrigenda and addenda, document 26 EX/4),

5. 1 Consideration of draft resolutions or amendments presented by Member States, involving significant new undertakings or materially affecting the budget estimates (documents GC/DR 1 to 39, 61)

At the request of the General Committee of the Sixth Session of the General Conference, and in accordance with Rule 78 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the Executive Board examined draft resolutions or amendments presented by Member States, involving significant new undertakings or materially affecting the budget estimates (documents GC/DR 1 to 39, 61). The observations presented by the Board to the General Conference concerning these proposals will be found in the records of the Programme Commission of the Conference.

(26 EX/SR. 12 to 16)

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5.2 Increase in budget estimates for 1952: Statement by the Director-General (document 26 EX/4)

The Executive Board took note of the Director-General's statement and approved its transmittal to the General Conference and also decided to amend paragraph 6 of its report on the budget estimates (6C/5 (II), page 4) to read:

“In view of these conditions and of the further information given to the Board at its Twenty-sixth Session by the Director-General, the Board believes that the budget total requested by the Director-General would require a slight increase in the amount of the contribution to be paid by each existing Member State”

(26 EX/SR. 2)

See also item 7. 1. 3)

Item 6 GENERAL CONFERENCE

6. 1 Sixth Session

6. 1. 1 Preparation of revised agenda (document 26 EX/5)

The revised agenda was approved with the additions and modifications proposed in document 26 EX/5 (see document 6C/1 revised),
(26 EX/SR 1)

6. 1. 2 Arrangements for participation of the Executive Board in the work of the session

The Executive Board decided that it should be represented in meetings of the General Conference as follows: Plenary meetings, the Chairman; Programme Commission, the Chairman and Professor Louis Verniers, Official and External Relations Commission, Professor Alf Sommerfelt; Administrative Commission and Budget Committee, General Sir Ronald Adam.

(26 EX/SR 3, 7, 13)

6. 1. 3 Communication from the Ministry of Education of the Republic of China (document 26 EX/ 13)

The Executive Board decided to transmit the communication to the General Conference without comment.. (See proceedings of the Credentials and Procedure Committees and records of the tenth and thirteenth plenary meetings of the Conference)

(26 EX/SR 3)

6. 1. 4 Communication from the Spanish Republican Government

After the communication had been read by the Chairman, the Executive Board decided, by 11 votes in favour, 1 against and 2 abstentions, that it was unable to issue an invitation of the kind issued in the past to the Spanish Republican Government.

(26 EX/SR. 8)

6. 1. 5 Proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference

The Executive Board decided to submit to the Procedure Committee of the Sixth Session of the General Conference draft amendments to the Rules of Procedure concerning:

- (i) the fixing of a deadline for the submission by Member States of draft resolutions and amendments affecting the programme and the budget estimates;
- (ii) the presentation to the Conference by the Executive Board of a suggested list of candidates for the main offices of the Conference.

(See document 6C/PRO/II, the proceedings of the Procedure Committee and the resolutions adopted by the Conference on its report)
(26 EX/SR. 17)

6. 2 Seventh Session

6. 2. 1 Consideration of proposal to be made by the Executive Board regarding the place and date of meeting of the Session (document 26 EX/6)

The following resolution was adopted:

“The Executive Board,

Having taken note of the communication, dated 13 January 1951, in which the Uruguayan Government expresses its readiness to receive the General Conference in Montevideo in 1952, and of the Director-General's report on the subject (26 EX/6), making it clear that, with the generous assistance of the Uruguayan Government, the General Conference will find in Montevideo conditions enabling it to carry out its work effectively and add to its prestige,

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Desirous, on the one hand, of adhering to the practice of holding meetings of the General Conference both on the territory of Member States situated in different parts of the world and at the Organization's headquarters,

Bearing in mind, on the other hand, the heavy financial burden that a meeting of the General Conference in Montevideo would impose on the Organization,

Proposes that the General Conference accept with gratitude the invitation of the Uruguayan Government, unless prevented from so doing by grave financial considerations,

Proposes, otherwise, that the General Conference decide to hold its Seventh Session in Paris and recommends that the General Conference, at its Seventh Session, decide to hold its Eighth Session in Montevideo. "

(See document 6C/7, GC/Resolution 0. 8) (26 EX/SR. 1, 3, 4)

Item 7 PROGRAMME

7.1 Preliminary consideration of certain documents submitted to the General Conference and preparation of recommendations to the Conference

7.1.1 Project for the establishment of a World Network of Regional Fundamental Education Centres (document 6C PRG 3): reports of the Drafting Committee of the Executive Board appointed to edit the introduction to the project and of the Working Party appointed to examine the financing of the project, with the Director-General's observations on the latter report (document 26 EX / 3 and Addendum)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39), the Executive Board decided-

- (i) to amend the introduction to document 6C/PRG/3 by the inclusion after the fourth paragraph (page 3) of the following sentence:

"Unesco, while accepting this definition, emphasizes the fact that Fundamental Education must awaken a consciousness of human dignity and develop a sense of the cultural and moral solidarity of Mankind",

- (ii) to recommend the project most earnestly to the attention of the General Conference.

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38), the Board decided to recommend to the General Conference the proposals regarding the financing of the project made by its Working Party in document 26 EX/3 and by the Director-General in 26 EX/3 addendum (see document 6C/PRG/3 addendum).

(26 EX/CP/SR.1 & 2, 26 EX/CF/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

- 7.1.2 Copyright: proposals regarding the procedure to be followed in the event of an inter-governmental conference being convened with a view to drawing up the text of a convention (document 6C/PRG/11)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39) the Executive Board decided to recommend to the Conference the approval of the Director-General's proposals,

(26 EX/CP/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

- 7.1.3 Report by the Chairman of the International Commission for the Scientific and Cultural History of Mankind (documents 26 EX/30 and 6C/PRG/12)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39) the Executive Board decided:

- (i) to recommend to the Conference the approval of the report of the Chairman of the International Commission (document 6C/PRG/12);
 - (ii) to amend the text of resolution 4.48 and the accompanying explanations in the draft programme for 1952 presented to the General Conference, as proposed in document 26 EX/30 [see document 6C/5 (1), Corrigendum 1].
- (26 EX/CP/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

- 7.1.4 Report on the establishment of a committee to prepare a Charter of the duties of the State in regard to education, science and culture so as to ensure a better understanding between the peoples (document 6C/PRG/17)

and

- 7.1.5 Report concerning both the measures taken for placing economic and social rights on an international basis, and the questions which might be dealt with by means of conventions or special recommendations (document 6C /PRG /18 and addendum).

Having considered these two items jointly on the report of the Programme Committee [document 26 EX/39], the Executive Board

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adopted the following resolution:

“The Executive Board,

Taking note of documents 6C/PRG/17 and 6C/PRG/18
and addendum,

Approves the action taken by the Director-General at the
second session of the Human Rights Commission in imple-
mentation of resolution 9, 2213 adopted by the General Conference
at its Fifth Session;

Recommends the above-mentioned documents to the attention of
the General Conference with the suggestion that they should be
first discussed by a Working Party”.

(See document 6C/PRG/17, Addendum 1) (26 EX/CP/SR. 1, 26 EX/
SR, 11)

7.2 Execution of the programme for 1951

7.2.1 Education

7.2.1.1 Regional seminar in the Middle East on fundamental and adult educa- tion (resolution 1. 2112): report by the Director-General on the implementation of the resolution adopted by the Executive Board at its Twenty-fifth Session (document 26 EX/7)

Having received the report of the Programme Committee on
this item (document 26 EX/ 39) and after considering it jointly with
item 8,2,2 the Executive Board adopted the following resolution:

“The Executive Board,

Considering that it has not so far been possible to reach an
agreement among the Member States concerned which would
permit the Organization, in conditions promising success, of the
regional fundamental education seminar in the Middle East, in
execution of resolution 1. 2112,

Authorizes the Director-General:

- (i) to abandon the execution of resolution 1. 2112
- (ii) to present proposals to the Executive Board for
the utilization of the corresponding budgetary
appropriations for the carrying out of other resolu-
tions of the 1951 programme,

Considering further that it is very difficult to define precisely the cultural regions of the world,

Invites the General Conference to decide that in future it will itself specify the countries to be invited to take part in any regional seminar, taking account of the particular aim of that seminar,

Decides to appoint a Working Party to study the possibility of defining the regions of the world from the point of view of Unesco's activities in the different fields of education, science and culture",

(See also item 9, 2, 3 transfers within the budget for 1951).

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 10)

7. 2. 1. 2 Haiti experiment (resolution 1. 2122): transfer of the experiment to the Technical Assistance programme (document 26 EX/8)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39), the Executive Board took note of document 26 EX/8,

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7. 2. 1. 3 Sample history books (resolution 1 323) : proposal to postpone action (document 26 EX/9)

This item and document 26 EX/9 were withdrawn by the Director-General.

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2)

7.2.2 Natural sciences

7.2.2.1 Regional research centres (resolution 2, 21): progress report on study of the establishment of a European regional laboratory for nuclear physics (document 26 EX/ 10)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39) the following resolution was adopted:

"The Executive Board,

Takes note with satisfaction of the progress made in preliminary studies regarding the possible establishment of a European regional laboratory for nuclear physics, undertaken by the Director-General in accordance with resolution 2. 21 of the programme for 1951,

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Authorizes the Director-General to engage in the necessary negotiations to obtain the technical and financial co-operation of the Governments and public and private institutions of Member States wishing to contribute to the detailed study of the project,

Recommends to the General Conference to authorize the Director-General to make use of the special funds which may be made available for this study by Member States in addition to their ordinary contribution to Unesco, or by public or private institutions".

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.2.2 Symposium of Hydrology of the Arid Zone with special reference to underground water (resolution 2. 23) : proposal to defer action (document 26 EX/41)

The Executive Board authorized the Director-General to postpone the symposium until 1952.

(26 EX/SR. 18)

7.2.2.3 Proposal for concentration of activity concerning the diffusion of science (resolution 2. 3331, 2. 336, 2. 337) (document 26 EX/41)

The Executive Board authorized the Director-General to transfer the budgetary provision of \$5, 300 for these resolutions to resolution 2. 3332, for the organization of an exhibition on "The Senses and Understanding of the Physical World" to be held at Bangkok.

(26 EX/SR. 18)

7.2.3 Social sciences

7.2.3.1 Participation of Unesco, jointly with the Inter-American Academy of International and Comparative Law, in a seminar on Human Rights : report by the Director-General (document 26 EX/11)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39) the Executive Board approved the Director-General's report.

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.4 Cultural activities

7.2.4.1 Travelling exhibitions of reproductions of works of art (resolution 4. 241) : conditions of transfer of exhibitions to Member States (document 26 EX/12)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39), the following resolution was adopted:

“The Executive Board,

Authorizes the Director-General to transfer, whenever it may seem desirable, to educational or cultural institutions,, governmental or non-governmental, either free of charge or by sale, collections of colour reproductions that have been exhibited in Member States, The proceeds of such transfers when made by sale shall be used for the purchase of new reproductions and for the organization of fresh exhibitions”
(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.4.2 Publication of comparative survey of cultures (document 26 EX/31)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39), the Executive Board approved the Director-General's proposals .

(See also item 9. 2. 3, paragraph 3)
(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.4.3 Historical monuments (resolution 4.43) : protection of objects of cultural value against the dangers of armed conflict (document 26 EX/23)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39), the Executive Board approved the Director-General's proposals.
(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.4.4 Report of the International Committee on Monuments,q Artistic and Historical Sites and archaeological excavations (resolution 4. 41) (document 26 EX/40)

The Executive Board took note of the report and decided to recommend to the General Conference the increase of the Committee from seven members to nine, provided no budgetary increase was entailed.

(26 EX/SR. 15)

7.2.4.5 Ex-German libraries in Italy (resolution 4. 512) (document 26 EX/42)

The Executive Board took note of the Director-General's report.

(26 EX/SR. 18)

7.2.5 Exchange of Persons

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7.2.5.1 Proposed Unesco university courses : report by the Director-General

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39), the Executive Board authorized the Director-General to present to the General Conference a proposal that two missions instead of one be provided in 1952.

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11
see also 26 EX/SR. 15, item 5. 1)

7.2.6 Mass communication

7.2.6.1 International Institute of the Press and Information (resolution 6. 171) : report on status of the project for establishment of the institute (document 26 EX/14)

On the oral report of the Chairman of the Programme Committee (26 EX/SR. 11), the Executive Board decided to take note with satisfaction of the creation of the International Press Institute and the "Institut français de la Presse" and to authorize the Director -General to suspend further work in connexion with resolution 6. 171.

(26 EX/CP/SR. 3, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.6.2 Newsprint (resolution 6. 1) : problem of world shortage and world prices of newsprint (document 6C/PRG/23 and addendum, 26 EX/34)

The Executive Board took note of the Director-General's report (6C/PRG/ 23) and of a communication from the International Federation of Newspaper Proprietors and Editors (26 EX/34) which were transmitted to the General Conference.

(See also 26 EX/SR. 15, under item 5.1)

7.2.7 Relief Assistance Services

7.2.7.1 Proposals for assistance projects (document 26 EX/15)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39) the Executive Board approved the Director-General's proposals concerning:

- (i) minor modifications of the proposals adopted at the Twenty-fifth Session regarding special projects in Greece, Yugoslavia and Indonesia;
- (ii) allocation of \$4, 000 from the reserve of the Relief Fund for 1951, to provide for the appointment until 1 January 1952 of a senior official responsible administratively to

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the Director of UNRWA and technically to the Director-General of Unesco, for administering the education programme for Palestinian refugees, it being understood that, as far as Unesco is concerned, this appointment is temporary and subject to the decisions which the General Conference may take, in the light of the consultations to be held with the delegations of interested Member States, as to the development of Unesco's programme of assistance to the Palestinian refugees;

- (iii) allocation of \$5, 000 from the reserve of the Relief Fund for printing expenses in connexion with the extension of the Gift Coupon Programme to the United Kingdom;
- (iv) the Assistance Project list for the second half of 1951.
(26 EX/CP/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.7.2 Report on material supplies purchased for China from the Reconstruction Fund (document 26 EX/16)

On the reports of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39) and External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37 Addendum), the Executive Board decided:

- (i) that, it being impossible to deliver the material listed in document 26 EX/ 16, Annex I, to the institutions for which it was originally requested, this material should be reallocated among Asiatic countries, according to their needs, Formosa being eligible to benefit from the reallocation;
- (ii) that the copies in Chinese of "Suggestions for Science Teachers in war-devastated countries", held in store at Hong Kong, should be distributed to Chinese-language institutions;
- (iii) that the donation of £575 for the Audio-Visual Aid Centre in Nanking should continue to be held at the bank,

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/CX/SR. 2,
26 EX/SR. 11)

7.2.7.3 Acceptance of gifts and approval of their allocation (document 26 EX/ 17)

On the report of the Programme Committee (document 26 EX/39), the Executive Board authorized the Director-General to accept the gifts listed in document 26 EX/ 17 and approved their proposed allocation,

(26 EX/CP/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

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7.3 Activities of Unesco in German's (document 26 EX/ 18)

On the oral report of the Chairman of the Joint Committee of the Programme and External Relations Committees (26 EX/SR. 6), the Executive Board adopted the following resolution:

“The Executive Board,

Having considered the Report submitted by the Director-General on the progress made since the last session concerning the implementation in Germany of the Special Project approved by the General Conference at its Fifth session and by the Executive Board at its Twenty-third Session;

Takes note of the communication addressed to the Director-General on 19 March 1951 by the Acting Chargé d'Affaires of the Polish Embassy in Paris concerning this project;

Records its satisfaction that the three institutes for the Social Sciences, for Pedagogy and for Youth will be shortly established and that the first meeting of their governing bodies will be held in Wiesbaden from 16 to 19 June;

Expresses its gratitude to the Governments, private organizations and individuals in Member States which, by their support, have made possible the creation of the Institutes, which will provide significant opportunities for promoting in Germany the objectives of Unesco through co-operative action between interested German and non-German groups;

Approves the Constitution of the Unesco Institute for Social Sciences and authorizes the Director-General to prepare similar constitutions for the other two institutes;

Approves the terms of the contract negotiated with the U. S. High Commissioner in Germany for the Social Sciences Institute, which is set out at Annex II of document 26 EX/18 and authorizes the Director-General to conclude similar contracts for the other two institutes”.

(26 EX/JC/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 6)

The Executive Board took note of a further report on the progress made in the establishment of the three institutes for youth, education and social sciences.

(26 EX/SR. 20)

7.4 Technical Assistance

- 7.4.1 Preliminary consideration of report submitted to the General Conference on Unesco's technical assistance activities in 1950-1951 (document 6C/PRG/20)
and
7.4.2 Preliminary consideration of technical assistance programme for 1952 submitted to the General Conference (document 6C/PRG/21 and 26 EX/35)

The Executive Board took note of documents 6C/PRG/20 and 21, which were transmitted to the General Conference, and approved the draft resolutions proposed in document 26 EX/35 for submission to the General Conference (see document 6C/PRG/21 Addendum).

(26 EX/SR. 13)

Item 8 EXTERNAL RELATIONS

- 8.1 Preliminary consideration of certain documents submitted to the General Conference and preparation of recommendations to the Conference.
8.1.1 Report by the Director-General on the means and degree of decentralization deemed most advisable in the field of Unesco's activities (document 6C/OXR/4)

The Executive Board took note of document 6C/OXR/4, which was transmitted to the General Conference, and decided to recommend to the Official and External Relations Commission of the Conference that it set up a Working Party to examine this problem in consultation, if necessary, with the Programme and Budget Commission.

(26 EX/SR. 9)

- 8.1.2 Requests for admission to consultative status received from international non-governmental organizations (formulation of recommendations of the Executive Board to the General Conference) (document 6C/OXR/11)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37), the Executive Board decided to recommend to the General Conference that it approve the admission to consultative status of the following organizations:

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Childhood International Catholic Office
Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations
International Association of Art Critics
International Council on Archives
International Federation of Workers' Travel Associations
International Music Council
International Union of Socialist Youth
Pacific Science Association
Union of International Engineering Associations (on condition that the three member organisations at present having individual consultative arrangements with Unesco (the World Power Conference, the International Conference on Large Electric Systems and the International Society of Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering) lose these individual arrangements and be in future represented through the Union)
World Federation of Catholic Young Women and Girls, and
World Friendship Federation.

and that it not admit to consultative arrangements but authorize to be listed on the register of organizations with which informal relations are maintained the following organization:

International Federation of Free Journalists of Central and Eastern Europe and Baltic and Balkan Countries.
(26 EX/CX/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR 11)

8. 1. 3 Formal agreements now in force with certain international non-governmental organizations (document 6C/OXR/ 12)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/ 37), the Executive Board decided:

(a) to approve the draft agreements with the following organizations:

- International Studies Conference,
- International Council of Museums,
- International Council for Philosophy and Humanistic Studies,
- Council for the Co-ordination of International Congresses of Medical Sciences,
- International Theatre Institute,

subject only to the amendment contained in paragraph (c) below:

- (b) to approve the draft agreement with the International Council of Scientific Unions, subject to the following amendment to Article 5, as requested by the International Council:

“In the event of denunciation, notice of one year, as from 1 January of any year, must be given by one or other of the parties”;

- (c) to amend Article **2(b)** of the draft agreements with the International Council of Museums, the International Council for Philosophy and Humanistic Studies, the International Council of Scientific Unions, the Council for the Co-ordination of International Congresses of Medical Sciences and the International Theatre Institute, and Article 3 of the draft agreement with the International Studies Conference, to read as follows:

“The Director-General of Unesco shall be represented at sessions of the governing bodies of (name of organization)”;

- (d) to approve the draft agreement with the World Federation of United Nations Associations;
- (e) to recommend that the General Conference renew the seven above-mentioned agreements for one year from 1 January 1952.

(26 EX/CX/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

8.2 Relations with Member States

8.2.1 Second Regional Conference of National Commissions (document 26 EX/19)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37 Addendum) the Executive Board decided:

- (a) that the second regional conference of National Commissions, to be held at Bangkok, Thailand, in November and December 1951, should make recommendations, within its terms of reference, to the National Commissions and Governments of States represented at the meeting, as well as any useful suggestions to the Director-General and to the Fourth Meeting of Representatives of National Commissions;

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- (b) that invitations should be sent to the following Member States: Australia, Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, India, Indonesia, Laos, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam; and to one non-Member State: Nepal. The United Kingdom National Commission should be invited to be represented by an observer on behalf of British non-self-governing territories in the region. The United Nations and Specialized Agencies should also be invited, as should regional non-governmental organizations able to make a useful contribution to the work of the Conference;
- (c) that the budgetary arrangements for the conference proposed by the Director-General in document 26 EX/29, paragraph 5, should be approved.

(26 EX/CX/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11, 16)

8.2.2 Definition of the region of the Near and Middle East from Unesco's viewpoint (document 25 EX/21, 26 EX/44)

After considering this item jointly with item 7. 2. 1. 1 the Executive Board adopted the resolution the text of which is given at 7.2.1.1.

(26 EX/SR. 10)

The following members were appointed to the Working Party set up by the above resolution: Dr. Bernal Jimenez, Dr. Evans, Mgr Maroun, Senator Pecson, Professor Photiades, Sir Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and Mr. Seydoux.

(26 EX/SR. 10, 14)

The Board received the report of this Working Party (26 EX/44) and transmitted it with a favourable recommendation to the General Conference.

(26 EX/SR. 18)

8.2.3 Communication addressed to the Director-General by the National Commission of Turkey (document 26 EX/20)

On the oral report of the Chairman of the Programme Committee (26 EX/SR. 11), the Executive Board decided to refer the communication to the General Conference (see document 6C/12 and the record of the Seventeenth Plenary Meeting of the General Conference).

(26 EX/CP/SR. 3, 26 EX/SR. 11)

8.3 Relations with non-Member States

8.3.1 Consideration of the applications for membership of Unesco from the Federal, Republic of Germany, the Kingdom of Cambodia, Japan, Laos, and the State of Viet Nam (document 26 EX/21)

The following resolutions were adopted:

(a) German Federal Republic

“The Executive Board

Considering

That the Government of the German Federal Republic submitted, on 1 December 1950, through the Allied High Commission in Germany, an application for membership of Unesco,

That, in accordance with Article II of the Agreement between Unesco and the United Nations, the Director-General transmitted this application to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations,

That, at its Twelfth Session, the Economic and Social Council decided to inform Unesco that it had no objection to the admission of the German Federal Republic to the Organization,

Decides in accordance with Article II, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of Unesco, to recommend to the Sixth Session of the General Conference that the German Federal Republic be admitted to membership of Unesco”.

(b) Kingdom of Cambodia

“The Executive Board

Considering

That the Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia submitted, on 12 December 1950, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the French Republic, an application for membership of Unesco,

That, in accordance with Article II of the Agreement between Unesco and the United Nations, the Director-General transmitted this application to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations,

That, at its Twelfth Session, the Economic and Social Council decided to inform Unesco that it had no objection to the admission of the Kingdom of Cambodia to the organization,

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Decides in accordance with Article II, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of Unesco, to recommend to the Sixth Session of the General Conference that the Kingdom of Cambodia be admitted to membership of Unesco".

(c) Japan

"The Executive Board

Considering

That the Japanese Government submitted on 15 December 1950, an application for membership of Unesco, approved by the Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers,

That, in accordance with Article II of the Agreement between Unesco and the United Nations, the Director-General transmitted this application to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations,

That, at its Twelfth Session, the Economic and Social Council decided to inform Unesco that it had no objection to the admission of Japan to the Organization,

Decides in accordance with Article II, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of Unesco, to recommend to the Sixth Session of the General Conference that Japan be admitted to membership of Unesco".

(d) Kingdom of Laos

"The Executive Board

Considering

That the Royal Government of Laos submitted, on 7 December 1950, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the French Republic, an application for membership of Unesco,

That, in accordance with Article II of the Agreement between Unesco and the United Nations, the Director-General transmitted this application to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations,

That, at its Twelfth Session, the Economic and Social Council decided to inform Unesco that it had no objection to the admission of the Kingdom of Laos to the Organization,

Decides in accordance with Article II, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of Unesco, to recommend to the Sixth Session of the General Conference that the Kingdom of Laos be admitted to membership of Unesco",

(e) State of Viet Nam

“The Executive Board

Considering

That the Government of the State of Viet Nam submitted, on 14 October 1950, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the French Republic, an application for membership of Unesco,

That, in accordance with Article II of the Agreement between Unesco and the United Nations, the Director-General transmitted this application to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations,

That, at its Twelfth Session, the Economic and Social Council decided to inform Unesco that it had no objection to the admission of the State of Viet Nam to the Organization,

Decides in accordance with Article II, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of Unesco, to recommend to the Sixth Session of the General Conference that the State of Viet Nam be admitted to membership of Unesco”.

(26 EX/SR. 3)

8.3.2 Status of permanent observers appointed to Unesco by non-Member States (document 26 EX/22)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37 Addendum), the Executive Board authorized the Director-General to grant facilities to observers of non-Member States as described in document 26 EX/22.

(26 EX/CX/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

8.4 Relations with the United Nations

8.4.1 Decisions taken by the Economic and Social Council at its Twelfth Session on matters concerning Unesco (document 6C/OXR/5 Addendum)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37 Addendum) the Executive Board took note of document 6C/OXR/ 5 Addendum, which was transmitted to the General Conference.

(26 EX/CX/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

8.4.2 Contribution of Unesco to the action of the United Nations and Specialized Agencies regarding Korea (documents 26 EX/32, 6C/PRG/31)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37 Addendum) the Executive Board took note of the Director-General's report (26 EX/32).

(26 EX/CX/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

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The Executive Board further took note of a communication from the Minister of Education of the Republic of Korea (6C/PRG/31) and set up a Working Party composed of Sir Ronald Adam, Professor Carneiro, Dr. Evans, Senator Pecson, Sir Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and Mr. Seydoux to study this communication, in consultation with Mr. J. Donald Kingsley, Agent-General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency.

(26 EX/SR. 17, 18)

On the proposal of this Working Party, the Executive Board decided to present the following draft resolution to the General Conference:

“The General Conference

Reaffirming the principles laid down at its Fifth Session in Resolution 9. 1, and in particular the determination that 'all the activities of Unesco must, in accordance with its Constitution, be directed towards the peace and the prosperity of mankind',

Taking note of the resolutions adopted by the Executive Board at its Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Sessions regarding Unesco's contribution to the action of the United Nations and Specialized Agencies in Korea (Appendix I),

Taking note of the request for assistance received from the Minister of Education of the Republic of Korea (Document 6C/PRG/31),

Instructs the Executive Board and the Director-General to continue to take all appropriate steps for the relief of the needs of the civilian population in Korea, within Unesco's competence, in close collaboration with the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies and through the United Nations Korean Relief Agency,

Appeals to the Governments and National Commissions of Member States and to International and National Organizations to intensify their efforts in support of the United Nations' action and for the relief and rehabilitation of Korea”.

(See document 6C/DR. 83 and GC/Resolution 9.4)

(26 EX/SR. 19)

8.4.3 Development of a Twenty-year programme for achieving peace through the United Nations (document 26 EX/43)

The Executive Board decided to present the following draft resolution to the General Conference:

“The General Conference

Having, at the Economic and Social Council's invitation, taken cognizance of the Twenty Year Programme for achieving Peace through the United Nations, submitted by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the General Assembly and forming the subject of the latter's resolution 494 (V) and of Economic and Social Council resolution 358 (XII),

Confirms its whole-hearted support of the Secretary-General's endeavours to achieve and maintain conditions of peace through action by the United Nations under the Charter,

Pledges the Organization's determination to exert every effort, within its own fields of competence, to contribute to the success of these endeavours,

Reaffirms its intention, as manifested in the Basic Programme and in the 1952 Programme of the Organization, to pursue vigorously its efforts to bring about universal respect for and compliance with those articles in the Declaration of Human Rights which concern it, and to continue its active participation in the expanded programme of technical assistance launched by the United Nations,

Affirms its conviction that the United Nations family of Organizations is potentially the most effective machinery the world has ever had for organizing international action to eliminate human suffering, but that it can only act efficiently and successfully with the support and active participation of Member Governments responding to international initiatives; and therefore that Unesco, together with the other Specialized Agencies and the United Nations itself, will only fully realize the aspirations of its founders when it enjoys the full collaboration of all nations in its work".

(26 EX/SR. 18, 19)

8.5 Relations with international governmental organizations

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8.5.1 Report by the Director-General on different forms of relations which might be established between Unesco and the Council of Europe in technical fields of mutual interest (document 26 EX/24)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37 Addendum) the Executive Board adopted the following resolution:

“The Executive Board

Having considered the Director-General's report on relations between the Council of Europe and Unesco,

Recommends to the General Conference that it approve in principle the conclusion of a formal agreement between Unesco and the Council of Europe and, in accordance with Article XI (I) of the Constitution of Unesco, instruct the Director-General, acting under the general authority of the Executive Board, to negotiate the text of a draft agreement to be submitted to the Executive Board”.

The Board further approved the request of the Council of Europe to be represented by an observer at meetings convened by Unesco to study the possibility of establishing a European regional laboratory for nuclear physics .

(26 EX/CX/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

8.5.2 Proposed amendment to the agreement between Unesco and the International Bureau of Education (document 26 EX/25)

On the report of the External Relations Committee (document 26 EX/37), the Executive Board approved the following amendment of Article IX of the Agreement:

“The present agreement may be revised subject to approval by the competent organs of the two bodies. Either of the parties may denounce by giving to the other party one year's notice. The present agreement shall enter into force on 28 February 1952.

(26 EX/CX/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

8.6 Relations with international non-governmental organizations

8.6.1 Proposed subventions to international non-governmental organizations (document 26 EX/26)

On the report of the External Relations Committee, (document 26 EX/37 and Addendum) the Executive Board:

- (a) Approved the following subventions, for the purposes and in the conditions set out in document 26 EX/26 and Addendum:

World Organization for Early Childhood Education \$ 3, 000
(26 EX/26, Annex I, Appendix 1)

Union of International Engineering Organizations \$14,000
(26 EX/26, Annex I, Appendix 2, with modifica-
tion of distribution of total amount as shown in
26 EX/37)

International Association for the Exchange of
Students for Technical Experience \$ 1,000
(26 EX/26, Annex I, Appendix 3)

International Council for Philosophy and Human-
istic Studies \$ 4,500
(26 EX/26, Addendum 1)

- (b) Approved the modifications set out in document 26 EX/26 of the conditions of subvention granted for 1951 to:

International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics
(26 EX/26, Annex II, Appendix 1)

International Union of Biological Sciences
(26 EX/26, Annex II, Appendix 2)

International Council of Scientific Unions
(26 EX/26, Addendum 3)

- (c) Approved the proposal (26 EX/26, Annex II, Appendix 4) regarding employment of unexpended and unobligated funds granted in 1950 to the International Committee on Historical Sciences;
- (d) Recommended to the General Conference that paragraphs 5 and 6 of Section III, E of the Directives concerning relations with international non-governmental organizations be amended (see document 6C/OXR/16) (See also 27 EX/Decisions, item 7).
(26 EX/CX/SR. 1, 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

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8. 6. 2 Communication from the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (document 26 EX/ 33)

On the oral report of the Chairman of the Programme Committee (26 EX/SR. 11), the Executive Board decided to refer this communication to the General Conference.

(26 EX/CP/SR. 3, 26 EX/SR. 11)

8. 6. 3 Communication from the World Federation of Trade Unions (document 6C/13)

The Executive Board decided that this communication should be referred to the General Conference.

(26 EX/SR. 20)

Item 9 ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

9. 1 Preliminary consideration of certain documents submitted to the General Conference and preparation of recommendations to the Conference

9.1.1 Report of the auditors on the financial year 1950 (document 6C/ADM/2 Addendum)

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38) the Executive Board decided that its Chairman, in transmitting the report of the auditors to the General Conference, in accordance with Financial Regulation 21, should state that the Board had taken note of the report which it considered to indicate that the accounts of the Organization were in good order.

(26 EX/CF/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

9. 1. 2 Draft amendments to the Financial Regulations: adoption by the United Nations and Specialized Agencies of joint standard financial regulations (document 6C/ADM/6)

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38) the Executive Board decided to recommend to the General Conference that it adopt the Financial Regulations as proposed in 6C/ADM/6, with the exception of Regulation 4.3, which should be adopted in the form approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations on the understanding that the words "liquidate any other outstanding legal obligations" be interpreted to mean that any contract entered into with an individual or organization outside the Secretariat during any year should constitute an obligation for which the appropriation for that year should remain available.

(26 EX/CF/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

9.1.3 Report on changes in the salary, allowance and leave system made in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions adopted by the General Conference at its Fifth Session (document 6C/ADM/10)

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38), the Executive Board took note of the Director-General's report and reaffirmed its recommendation that the General Conference should give careful consideration to this question in the light of the decisions taken by the General Assembly of the United Nations and all other relevant factors.

(26 EX/CF/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

9.1.4 Report on the reorganization of the Secretariat (document 6C/ADM/14)

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38), the Executive Board took note of the Director-General's report.

(26 EX/CF/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

9.2 Other administrative and financial questions

9.2.1 Report on the financial situation of the Organization at 30 April 1951 (document 26 EX/27)

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38), the Executive Board took note of the Director-General's report and noted with satisfaction that contributions had been paid by Member States more promptly than in the past.

(26 EX/CF/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

9.2.2 Proposal for establishment of a Supervisory Commission : consideration of the report of the Working Party of the Executive Board (document 25 EX/43) and of the Director-General's observations thereon (document 26 EX/28)

The Executive Board decided to refer this question to the General Conference (see document 6C/ADM/15)

(26 EX/SR. 9)

9.2.3 Proposed transfers within the budget for 1951 (document 26 EX/29 and Addendum)

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38) the Executive Board approved the following transfers within the budget for 1951, for the purposes and in the conditions specified in document 26 EX/29:

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I. Department of Natural Sciences

- (a) from III. I. C. - Extension of Education
to III. 2. E. - Teaching and Popularization of Science \$ 5,000
- (b) from III. 2. C. - Field Science Co-operation Offices
to III. 2. A. - Programme Costs \$ 1,000

2. Department of Social Sciences

- from III. 3. D. - Studies of International Co-operation
to III. 3. B. - Aid to International Scientific Collabora-
tion \$ 2,400

3. Department of Cultural Activities

- from III. 4. D. - Arts and Letters
to III. 4. C. - Philosophy and Humanistic Studies \$18,100

4. Exchange of Persons Service

- from III. 6. B. - Improvement of Means and Tech-
niques of Communication
to III. 5. C. - Fellowship Administration \$ 600

5. Common Service Costs

- from II. D. - General Administration
to IV. E. - Staff Welfare Activities \$ 3,200

(See also item 8.2.1)

(26 EX/CF/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

The Board further approved the following transfers, for the purposes and in the conditions specified in document 26 EX/29 Addendum:

6. Department of Education

- from III. I. C. - Extension of Education
to III. I. B. - Improvement of Education through the
Exchange of Information (Two trans- \$ 2,000
fers) and
\$10,050

7. Documents and Publications Service

from III. 9. B. - Special Language Services
to III. 9. A. - Documents & Publications Service \$ 9,000

8. Statistical Service

from II. F. - Indirect Personnel Costs
to III. 10. A. - Statistical Service \$ 6,500
(26 EX/SR. 20)

9.2.4 Administration of the Working Capital Fund : proposed modification of draft resolution for 1952 presented to the General Conference (document 26 EX/31)

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38), the Executive Board recommended to the General Conference revised proposals regarding the administration of the Working Capital Fund (see document 6C/ADM/7 revised).

(26 EX/CF/SR. 2, 26 EX/SR. 11)

9.2.5 Per diem allowance for members of the Executive Board

On the report of the Finance Committee (document 26 EX/38), the Executive Board decided to recommend to the General Conference that, in conformity with decisions of the United Nations and Specialized Agencies to consider Paris as an area in which the cost of living warrants payment of full per diem rates, the per diem allowances of members of the Executive Board should revert to \$20 from 4 June 1951.

(26 EX/CF/SR. 1, 26 EX/SR. 11)

Item 10 CONSTITUTIONAL AND PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS

Preliminary consideration of certain documents, submitted to the General Conference (Procedure Committee) and preparation of recommendations to the Conference

10.1 Report by the Director-General on the enquiry into the forms which co-operation in the work of Unesco by certain States or Non-Self-Governing Territories might take (document 6C/PRO/ 6)

The Executive Board decided to refer the Director-General's Report to the General Conference.

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10.2 Report by the Director-General on the changing of the periodicity of Sessions of the General Conference (document 6C/PRO/7)

The following resolution was adopted:

“The Executive Board

Having examined the report of the Director-General on the change in the periodicity of Sessions of the General Conference,

Considers,

- (1) that the adoption of the principle of biennial meetings of the General Conference is desirable,
- (2) that the programmes and budgets of the Organization should cover a period of two years and that the rhythm of execution of the programmes should be determined by the Executive Board on the proposal of the Director-General,
- (3) that the question of modification of the structure of the Executive Board poses extremely delicate and complex problems and that it is no's necessarily linked with that of the adoption of the principle of biennial sessions of the General Conference,

Recommends therefore to the General Conference,

- (1) that it should adopt the principle of biennial sessions of the General Conference by virtue of all the advantages it entails,
- (2) that the present structure of the Board should be maintained in order to permit the members to execute the mandate entrusted to them by the General Conference in the spirit of freedom guaranteed to them by the provisions of Article 5 of the Constitution,
- (3) that, should the General Conference decide to link the two questions the study of the modification of the structure of the Board should be continued (by the Board during its sessions of the coming year) and that the conclusions of this study should be submitted to the General Conference at its Seventh Session”.

(26 EX/SR. 5, 6, 8)

Item 11 PUBLICATIONS

Consideration of the report of the Working Party of the Executive Board (document 26 EX/2), of the Director-General's observation thereon (document 26 EX/2 Addendum) and of the report submitted to the General Conference on the activity of the Organization and its general policy as regards publications during the period 1 April 1950 to 31 March 1951 (document 6C/PRG/16)

The Executive Board decided:

- (a) to approve the report of the Working Party (26 EX/2) and to recommend to the General Conference as a basis for discussion the "Draft Statement of Publications Policy" annexed to the report;
- (b) to take note of the Director-General's observations on the Working Party's report (26 EX/2 Addendum);
- (c) to recommend to the General Conference that it should examine each proposed publication in connexion with the draft programme resolution to which it relates, and not set up a special committee to examine publications plans;
- (d) to take note of document 6C/PRG/16;
- (e) to set up, at its next session, a permanent Working Party to collaborate closely with the Director-General on all publication matters (see 27 EX/Decisions, item 5).
(See document 6C/PRG/16 Addendum I).

(26 EX/SR. 2)

Item 12 OTHER QUESTIONS

12.1 Participation of Unesco in celebration of the fifth centenary of Christopher Columbus and Isabella of Castile (item proposed by Professor Paulo Carneiro)

The following resolution was adopted:

"The Executive Board, wishing to associate Unesco actively with the commemoration of the fifth centenary of Christopher Columbus and Isabella of Castile,

Invites the General Conference,

- (a) to adopt at its present Session a declaration, for the widest possible diffusion, to mark the interest taken by the Organization in the celebration of the discovery of the New World,

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- (b) to instruct the Executive Board to include in the next draft programme,
 - (i) a plan for a long-term investigation of the various educational, scientific and cultural aspects of the relations existing between the peoples of Western Europe and the American continent,
 - (ii) a series of discussions between a small number of distinguished philosophers, historians, sociologists and educationists, who should be asked to suggest the best ways of strengthening intellectual and moral ties between the old and new worlds".
(See document 6C/10)

(26 EX/SR. 9, II)

12.2 Relations with former members of the Executive Board

The Executive Board decided that its former members should receive copies of documents and general correspondence sent to members in office, as a means of maintaining their association with the Board and its work.

(26 EX/SR. 9)

12.3 Close of the session

The Executive Board and the Director-General placed on record their appreciation and gratitude for the services rendered to Unesco by the retiring members: H. E. Mr. Victor Doré, H. E. Shafik Ghorbal Bey, Professor Alex Photiades, H. E. Sir Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and Professor Louis Verniers, and their profound personal esteem for these gentlemen.

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CORRIGENDUM

Item 8.5.1 : Amend reference "document 26 EX/24"
to read : "document 6C /OXR/10"

Item 9.2.4 : Amend reference "document 26 EX/31"
to read : "document 26 EX/36"