INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY FUND

EXECUTIVE BOARD

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE THIRTY THIRD MEETING

I.L.O. Building, Geneva
Tuesday, 20 July, 1948, at 2.30 p.m.

Present:

Chairman: Dr. L. RAJCHMAN (Poland)

Mr. S. Graziadio (Argentina)
Mr. E. Heyward (Australia)
Mr. R. Campos (Brazil)
Mr. T. Guerassimov (Byelorussian SSR)
Mrs. D. B. Sinclair (Canada)
Dr. T. Y. Wu (China)
Dr. B. Schober (Czechoslovakia)
Mr. F. Friis (Denmark)
Dr. J. Aujaleu (France)
Mr. B. Theodoropoulos (Greece)
Miss M. Z. N. Witteveen (Netherlands)
Mr. C. C. Aikman (New Zealand)
Mr. J. Bjoernson (Norway)
Mr. S. Soderblom (Sweden)
Dr. A. R. Lindt (Switzerland)
Mr. I. Kozulia (Ukrainian SSR)
Mr. T. Hewitson (Union of South Africa)
Mr. V. Kobushko (U.S.S.R.)
Mr. J. A. C. C. Alexander (U.K.)
Mr. L. Hyde (U.S.A.)

Mr. M. Pate (Executive Director UNICEF)
Mr. A. E. Davidson (Director, EHQ, UNICEF)
Dr. B. Borcic (UNICEF)
Mr. D. R. Sabin (UNICEF)
Mr. J. J. Charnow (UNICEF)

Representatives of Specialized Agencies:

Miss B. Howell (WHO)
Progress of UNAC in relation to UNICEF resources (E/ICEF/65)

Mr. ORDING (UNAC) supplemented the documentation given in document E/ICEF/65. Of the 52 countries participating in the appeal, 47 have already established national committees and campaigns. 8 countries have completed their campaigns while campaigns are in progress in 24 countries and an additional 13 campaigns are planned for the autumn. Final reports from 7 countries and preliminary reports from 17 others indicate an aggregate collection of 16.5 million dollars. This figure excludes 28 other countries. Of the 16.5 million dollars UNICEF will receive 6 million directly. 2 million and three quarters will be distributed by national agencies for foreign relief "in agreement with UNICEF" and one million and a quarter raised in UNICEF receiving countries will be distributed directly in those countries. One of the values of the UNAC campaign has been the establishment of direct contact between UNAC and the normal citizens in all of the contributing countries. Direct contact has been established with labourers, farmers, employers and cooperatives. Mr. ORDING pointed out that a report to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations on UNAC will soon be available.

Report of the Programme Committee (E/ICEF/73 (Continued))

Paragraphs 16 to 24: Medical Projects.

Mr. CAMPOS (Brazil) raised the question as to whether the BCG campaigns in Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia should not be charged to the European BCG allocation since these countries were part of metropolitan France.

Dr. AUJALEU (France) reminded the Board that Morocco and Tunisia were French protectorates only and had wide measures of autonomy, and that Algeria had an independent budget. He wondered why Mr. CAMPOS was not suggesting that the proposed recommendation for the British and Dutch territories in the Far East should be charged to the European programme.

Export Provision in UNICEF Agreements with Governments

Paragraphs 25 to 28: Mrs. SINCLAIR (Chairman of the Programme Committee) pointed out to the Board that certain receiving countries had notified UNICEF about exports they were beginning to make of items similar to those supplied by UNICEF and that the Administration had ceased shipment of these commodities.
Mr. GURJASIMOV (Belorussian SSR) moved that paragraphs 25 to 28 not be included in the Executive Board report since it was not clear that any violation had incurred. He believed that each individual situation should be examined on its merits by the Programme Committee.

Mr. FlHIS (Denmark) believed that these paragraphs should be included so that there would be no misunderstanding of the situation.

Mrs. SINCLAIR (Chairman of the Programme Committee) believed that the proposed interpretation avoided constant reference of individual cases to the Programme Committee.

Mr. KORUSHKO (U.S.S.R.) recalled that in the drafting of Article 3 it had been the intention that no common standard could be applied and that each case ought to be examined on its merits. He doubted that an automatic solution could be found and proposed that the Programme Committee recommendation serve this purpose.

Proposed Utilization of raw materials and allocations
Paragraphs 29 to 31: Mr. PATE (Executive Director) explained that the greatest quantity of clothing and shoes would be produced if all the UNICEF money allocated were spent on the raw materials, with the processing done by the receiving countries themselves. He believed that the phrase "or have the cost of processing deducted from its raw materials allocation" should be deleted. Mrs. SINCLAIR (Chairman of the Programme Committee) concurred with the suggestion.

Summer Camps
Paragraphs 32 and 33: In response to a question from Mr. KOZULIA (Ukrainian SSR), Mr. DAVIDSON (Director of EHQ) pointed out that some countries had not yet submitted plans, or because they had not utilized their full regular allocation would not be eligible for the extra amount. He pointed out that in addition to the countries listed in paragraph 33, Bulgaria had an approved summer camp project. Albania, Yugoslavia and Greece had not yet applied. Finland is revising its application.

Programme in China
Paragraph 35: Mr. PATE (Executive Director) stated that the mission for Northern China was scheduled to leave this week.

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Paragraph 36: No comment.

Paragraph 37: Activities in Latin America.

In response to a question from Mr. CAMPOS (Brazil), Mr. PATE (Executive Director) stated that he anticipated that Dr. Passmore would prepare complete reports to the Administration on his mission.

Mr. CAMPOS (Brazil) informed the Board that he was introducing a proposal in writing regarding activities in South America.

At this point the meeting was recessed for ten minutes.

Report of the Programme Committee on its fifty third and fifty fourth meetings
(E/ICEF/73, Add. 1)

Mrs. SINCLAIR (Chairman of the Programme Committee) presented the major recommendations in paragraphs 8 through 28.

Mr. HEYWARD (Australia) stated that he supported these recommendations. He believed that it was particularly desirable that governments be reminded of the necessity to make further contributions, in order that UNICEF might obtain the full U.S. matching allowance. He believed that it was important to present the UNICEF financial picture in such a way as to close the 1948 picture and have a separate picture for 1949. The major problem that the Board needed to face was that of allocations to Europe and outside Europe. It must also be borne in mind that the UNICEF was an emergency operation and should use its present resources primarily to bring child health and nutrition back to the pre-war level; moreover, the principle of effective utilization of UNICEF resources must be considered. Even though UNICEF assistance was modest, it nevertheless was a value in helping to create something permanent. There were many reasons to explain why UNICEF was starting later outside Europe than in Europe. The 1949 target of expenditures as recommended by the Programme Committee had this in mind when it more than doubled the amounts for China, South East Asia, India and Ceylon, and only allowed a 50% increase for Europe. So far as the allocations were concerned, the Programme Committee recommendations envisage no increase beyond the present level of operation.

The Programme Committee recommendations in his view were also fair in the different allocations to the countries in Europe.
The Committee had an opportunity to study all the objective information available, including statistics on milk and agricultural deficiencies, calorie levels, infant mortality, etc. He also wished to pay his personal tribute to Mr. PATE. The Programme Committee had an opportunity to observe Mr. PATE's methods in the observation tour and his ability in the evaluation of needs.

Dr. AUJALEU (France) associated himself with Mr. HEYWARD and supported the Programme Committee recommendations.

Mr. HYDE (U.S.) pointed out that the proposed budget of operations (Table 4) contained certain speculative elements. He believed that it would be sounder if that amount was cut to $3 million dollars.

The meeting rose at 7 p.m.