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Administration and Finance

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME AND BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1973:

ESTABLISHMENT, COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF
THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Establishment and composition

1. In resolution WHA1.71¹ the First World Health Assembly instructed the Executive Board to "establish a standing committee on administration and finance, whose terms of reference shall include, among other things, responsibility for examining in detail budget estimates proposed to be submitted by the Executive Board to the Health Assembly, and for reporting thereon to the Executive Board".
2. The decisions taken by the Executive Board pursuant to this resolution and which are still relevant include:
 - (1) resolution EB16.R12² in which the Executive Board decided "to establish a Standing Committee on Administration and Finance to consist of seven of its members, to make detailed analyses of the financial aspects of the proposed annual programme and budget estimates" and "that the Chairman of the Executive Board should take part, without vote, in the meetings of the Standing Committee";
 - (2) resolution EB28.R2³ in which the Executive Board decided "to increase from seven to nine the membership of its Standing Committee on Administration and Finance"; and
 - (3) resolution EB28.R24³ in which the Executive Board invited "those members of the Board who are not members of the Standing Committee and who may wish to do so, to attend meetings of this Committee for the purpose of following its deliberations".

Terms of Reference of the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance

3. The terms of reference of the Committee, as originally set forth in paragraph I.2 of resolution EB16.R12⁴ adopted by the Executive Board at its sixteenth session, have been modified by subsequent decisions of the Health Assembly and the Board. Taking account of these modifications, the terms of reference now applicable include:
 - (1) reviewing to the extent considered necessary the annual Financial Report and the comments of the External Auditor for the year accepted by the previous World Health Assembly, including an analysis and comparison of the original and revised budget proposals of the Director-General with the obligations incurred for that year;

¹ Handbook of Resolutions and Decisions, 11th ed., p. 282.

² Handbook of Resolutions and Decisions, 11th ed., p. 284.

³ Handbook of Resolutions and Decisions, 11th ed., p. 285.

⁴ Handbook of Resolutions and Decisions, 11th ed., p. 284.

