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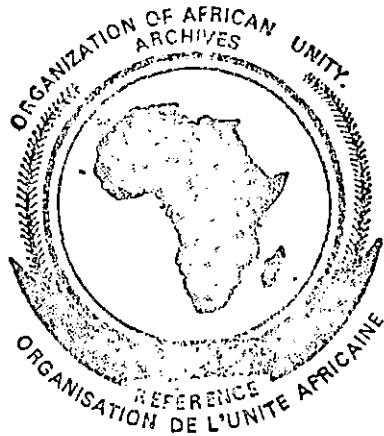
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The following covers the report on the Executive Secretariat from June 1964 to August 1965. At the beginning of this period the Secretariat had just completed a year, part of which was spent in the Ministry of External Affairs buildings of the then Republic of Tanganyika and also in a temporarily rented office of the privately owned building, called Ingles House. Later, long before the period under review, the Secretariat moved to its present buildings, made available by the Government of the host country.

Grappling with preliminaries, as it is often the case at initial stages, the Secretariat had acute difficulties because of the dearth of adequate subordinate staff as Personal Secretaries or Stenographers and Translators. Attempts were made by the Secretariat to contact some of the member countries for the provision of Secretaries but these attempts were not successful. However, special mention should be made of the generous assistance that the Secretariat has received from the host Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, which has often come to the rescue of the Secretariat in supplying temporary secretarial staff to help in the translation and typing of documents and internal secretarial work. Without such assistance much of the effort of the Secretariat would have been to no avail.

SECRETARIAT STAFF:

The Executive Secretariat is now composed of the following staff:-

- 1 Executive Secretary
- 2 Assistant Executive Secretaries
- 1 Bilingual Personal Secretary/Translator
- 1 Stenographer/Typist
- 1 Clerk/Accountant
- 1 Copy typist
- 1 Driver/Mechanic
- 1 Telephone Operator
- 2 Messengers.

The third Assistant Executive Secretary who is to be appointed by the East and Central African group of Ethiopia, Uganda and Congo-Leopoldville has not yet been nominated inspite of the numerous appeals made by the Secretariat to this group. The two Assistant Executive Secretaries present are:

Dr. M.S. Sami - Appointed by the Committee in June, 1964, who is in charge of the Finance and Defence Departments.

Mr. Ade Adekuoye - Appointed in October, 1964, who is in charge of the Information, Administration and General Policy Department.

The Secretariat is expected to set up a Sub-Department of Information under the Department of Information, Administration and General Policy very soon.

Although it has been difficult to appoint the qualified administrative personnel for the Executive Secretariat, which at the moment is under-staffed and although the third Assistant Executive Secretary is still being expected, the office now functions smoothly and reasonably efficiently.

MEETINGS:

Since the last Summit Conference in Cairo, the Co-ordinating Committee for the liberation of Africa has met three times in Tanzania in ordinary sessions. There were, in addition, two Extra-ordinary Sessions which met in Dar-es-Salaam, one in October, 1964, to discuss

the report of the Committee of Three appointed by the Heads of State and Government to attempt to reconcile the two Angolan Nationalist Movements, F.N.L.A. and M.P.L.A., and the other met in May, 1965, to discuss the Rhodesian problem. The Standing Committees on Finance, Defence and General Policy have also met several times between the sessions of the Committee in order to deal with the day-to-day work and to meet various requests of liberation movements.

Furthermore, the Committee is expected to meet again in Accra before the next Summit Conference in order to prepare the report which is to be submitted to the Council of Ministers.

Because the General Secretariat in Addis Ababa is still in the process of consolidating itself the Dar-es-Salaam Liberation Secretariat relies mainly on the member countries of the Committee to make available an enlarged secretarial staff during Committee Sessions. It is the policy of the Committee that no non-African should be appointed to act as Precise Writer (Verbatim Reporter), Interpreter or Translator during the sessions of the Committee, in order to guarantee the inviolability of documents and to ensure that the discussions or deliberations of the Committee are kept secret. Therefore, at the sessions of the Committee the Government of the United Arab Republic supplies Interpreters who also act as Translators, and the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria supplies Precise Writers.

MISSIONS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

All the three Executives, namely the Executive Secretary and his two Deputies, and also the Public Relations Officer, fully engaged themselves in accompanying Missions and Commissions and attending meetings either at the instruction of the Committee and its Standing Committees or at the request of the Administrative Secretary General of the O.A.U.

It is gratifying to report that the Executive Secretariat is regularly frequented by freedom fighters for talks and consultations.

There has of late been a welcome development into the role which the office is called upon to play. Liberation Movements now tend to make use of the good offices of the Secretariat in settling their internal

problems thus eliminating early those factors that tend to be deficiave among the leadership of movements.

Moreover, the office is being visited by African Diplomats based in Dar-es-Salaam who come either to deliver message from their Governments or to seek information.

During the month of May the Executive Secretariat had the honour of assisting the leaders of the various liberation movements to petition before the U.N. Decolonisation Committee of Twenty-Four during its sittings in Lusaka, Dar-es-Salaam and Addis Ababa. Also during this time the Executive Secretariat attended the meetings of this U.N. Special Committee and participated in its deliberations.

In August Mr. E.S. Reddy, Principal Secretary, Special Committee on Apartheid and Chief of Unit on African Questions visited our office and had an exchange of information with us, regarding his work and that of the Liberation Committee. Mr. Reddy was in Dar-es-Salaam in order to have first-hand information regarding the racial situation in South Africa and to discuss the economic sanctions against such a policy by contacting the leaders of the A.N.C. and P.A.C. based in Dar-es-Salaam.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE SPECIAL FUND - 1964/65

The total amount of incoming contribution received in Dar-es-Salaam for the fiscal year 1964/65 was £366,501.0.7. at the end of the fiscal year on the 31st May, 1965.

The following is an easy table showing the Member States who have paid their contribution and the amount they should have paid against the amount actually received by the Committee of Nine at the 31st May, 1965:-

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Balance</u>
	<u>of</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Unpaid</u>
	<u>Contribution</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Unpaid</u>
	£	£	£
1. Algeria	35.000	39,920.16.2	Over & above
2. Cameroon	14.000	13,985. 4.9	14.15.3
3. Ethiopia	17.500	19.912.10.-	Over & above
4. Gabon	<u>14.000</u>	<u>1.751.16.1</u>	12,248. 3.11
c/f	80.500	75,572. 8.0	

	₤	₤	₤
b/f	80,500	75,572- 8-0	
5. Ghana	31,500	15,435.- .-	16,065. --
6. Guinea	14,000	17,934.11.2	Over & above
7. Ivory Coast	14,000	15,980. --	Over & above
8. Liberia	14,000	17,534. 8.6	Over & above
9. Libya	14,000	14,981. 5.-	Over & above
10. Malagasy	14,000	7,307. 5.5	6,692.14.7
11. Niger	14,000	15,904. 7.6	Over & above
12. Senegal	17,500	7,168. 4.3	10,331.15.9
13. Togo	14,000	631.14.9	13.368. 5.3
14. Tunisia	17,500	20,000. --	Over & above
15. United Arab Republic	87,500	100,000. --	Over & above
16. Sierra Leone	14,000	15,999.19.3	Over & above
17. United Republic of Tanzania	14,000	20,000. --	Over & above
18. Kenya	14,000	1,000. --	13,000. --
19. Rwanda	14,000	4,286. --	9,714. --
20. Uganda	14,000	16,000.- .-	Over & above
21. Central African Republic	14,000	Nil	
22. Chad	14,000	"	
23. Congo (Brazzaville)	14,000	"	
24. Congo (Leopoldville)	24,500	"	
25. Dahomey	14,000	"	
26. Mali	14,000	"	
27. Morocco	49,000	"	
28. Nigeria	73,500	"	
29. Somalia	14,000	"	
30. Sudan	24,500	"	
31. Upper Volta	14,000	"	
32. Mauritania	14,000	"	
33. Burundi	14,000	"	
34. Malawi	14,000	"	
35. Zambia	14,000	"	
36. Gambia	14,000	"	
	<u>₤ 742,000</u>	<u>₤ 365,733. 2.10</u>	

During the months of June and July the Executive Secretariat has received the balance of the contribution of Kenya, amounting to $\text{£} 15,000$, the contribution from Zambia amounting to $\text{£}14,000$ and a sum of $\text{£}4,374.5.10$ which was received from Togo to be added to their previous contribution of $\text{£}631.14.9$. Mauritania also contributed with $\text{£}7,255.18.2$. In August, 1965 the French Embassy in Dar-es-Salaam presented the Executive Secretariat with a Cheque of $\text{£}7,235.17.9$ representing part of the contribution of the Central African Republic to the Special Fund of O.A.U. It should be clearly stated that despite the numerous appeals of the Committee and the appeal made by the Council of Ministers in Nairobi to Member Countries of the O.A.U. to meet with their financial obligation, yet few responses have been received. An analysis of the budget of last year will show that out of 36 Member Countries of the O.A.U. only 15 countries have paid the contribution in full, 9 countries have paid part of the contribution and 12 countries have not contributed at all to the Special Fund.

DONATIONS:

Contributions for Africa Day have been received from Niger, Tanzania and Dahomey:

Niger has donated	£	724,8.4
Tanzania "	£	3,201.6.4
Dahomey "	£	1,682.7.8

From the non-aligned countries Kuwait has donated $\text{£}10,000$ and Yugoslavia has donated $\text{£}3,500.-$

EXPENDITURE OF THE SECRETARIAT FOR THE YEAR 1964/65.

The Estimates of the Budget of the Secretariat for 1964/65 amounted to East African Shs.552,360/- ($\text{£}27,618$). Out of this amount only East African Shs. 318,316/18 ($\text{£}15,915.16.10$) have been spent. The following is a table showing the total expenditure of the Secretariat and the various items of expenditure:-

(Expenditure for the year 1964/65)

	£
Personal Emoluments	10,048.10. 5
Overtime to Clerical Staff	162. 1.10
Transport and Travelling	94. 2. 9
Office Stationery and Stores	472. 5. 9
Telephones and Telegrams	556.19. 9
Rent of Quarters	1,000. -. -
Electricity	113.11. 4
Water	37. -. 4
Newspapers and Periodicals	21.13. 1
Medical Expenses	11.17. -
Maintenance and Running of Vehicles and Insurance	598. -. 1
Entertainment of Visitors	28. 5. 2
Office Furniture and Equipment	1,424,13. 3
Purchase of Vehicles	1,220.18. -
Miscellaneous Expenditure	22.18. 1
Recruitment of Staff	103. -. -
<u>Total Expenditure of Secretariat</u>	<u>£ 15,915.16.10</u> =====

The balance amount to East African Shs.234,043,82 was reverted to General Revenue at the end of the fiscal year in accordance with the decision of the Committee of Nine. Although the expenditure is far below the estimates laid down it should be pointed out here that the budget of 1964/65 was only laid down by the Committee of Nine in October, 1964, and the above expenditure only accounts for the period between the 23rd October, 1964 and 31st May, 1965.

ESTIMATES OF THE BUDGET OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1965/66.

The Committee of Nine, during its 7th Session, has approved the following estimates for the budget of the Executive Secretariat for the year 1965/66:-

A. PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS:

		₹
(1)	1 Executive Secretary - P6 Step III	4,382
	Representation Allowance for Executive Secretary	360
(2)	3 Assistant Secretaries -P5 Step I	11,411
(3)	1 Public Relations Officer -P1 Step IV	1,922
(4)	2 Bilingual Personal Secretaries/Translators -GS4 Step VIII	3,154
(5)	1 Stenographer/Typist - Local Rate	600 - 800
(6)	1 Clerk/Accountant	660
(7)	3 Copy Typists (₹360)	1,080
(8)	3 Driver-Mechanics (₹400)	1,200
(9)	1 Telephone Operator (₹324)	324
(10)	2 Messengers (₹132)	264
(11)	Dependency Allowance	<u>500</u>
	<u>Total Personal Emoluments:-</u>	₹ <u>26,057</u> =====

B. GENERAL EXPENSES

(12)	Transport and Travelling	250
(13)	Office Stationery and Stores	500
(14)	Telephone and Telegrams	800
(15)	Electricity	150
(16)	Water	50
(17)	Information Services	500
(18)	Medical Expenses	100
(19)	Maintenance and Running of Vehicles and Insurances	500
(20)	Entertainment of Visitors	<u>100</u>
	<u>Total General Expenditure:-</u>	₹ <u>2,950</u>

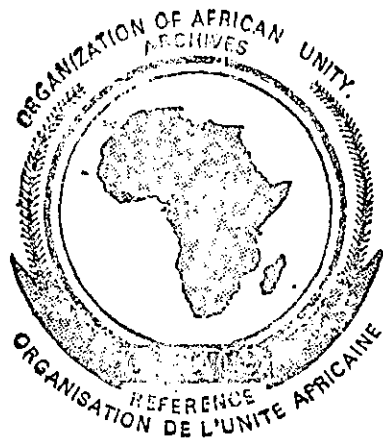
C. SPECIAL EXPENDITURE

(21)	Office Furniture and Equipment	500
(22)	Insurance of Office Equipment	<u>75</u>
	<u>Total Special Expenditure:-</u>	₹ <u>575</u> =====

D. <u>SUSPENSE VOTE</u>	₤	433
TOTAL PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS	₤	26,057
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	₤	2,950
TOTAL SPECIAL EXPENDITURE	₤	575
TOTAL SUSPENSE VOTE	₤	433
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GRAND TOTAL	₤	30,015
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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



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