

In addition to these voluntary contributions, Canada paid an annual assessment to the United Nations, to some of the Specialized Agencies and to the International Atomic Energy Agency of about \$3,077,289 in 1957-58. Canada's share of the normal administrative budget of the United Nations proper for that year was at the rate of 3.09 p.c., or \$1,472,511.

Trusteeship Council.—The Trusteeship Council supervises the administration of the agreements between the United Nations and the member states of the United Nations which have responsibility for trust territories. The Council held four regular sessions. Two special sessions were held in the autumn of 1958 to consider questions relating to the Trust Territory of French Togoland.

As of the end of October 1958, the membership of the Trusteeship Council consisted of the seven states which administer trust territories (Australia, Belgium, France, Italy, New Zealand, United Kingdom and United States), and an equal number of non-administering states. Always included in the latter group are the two permanent members of the Security Council, the U.S.S.R. and China, which do not administer trust territories. The other five non-administering countries were Burma, Haiti, India, Paraguay and the United Arab Republic.

During its regular sessions, the Council discussed annual reports submitted by the administering powers on the following territories: Tanganyika and Cameroons under United Kingdom administration; Ruanda-Urundi under Belgian administration; Somaliland under Italian administration; Cameroons and Togoland under French administration; Western Samoa, New Guinea, Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands and Nauru. Their political, economic, social and educational advancement was considered as well as the establishment of intermediate target dates and final time limits for the attaining of self-government or independence.

In the period under review, United Nations missions visited the three trust territories in East Africa—Somaliland, Tanganyika and Ruanda-Urundi. In June 1957, a Special Commission, established by the eleventh session of the General Assembly, visited the territory of French Togoland. France, under a new Statute passed by the Legislative Assembly in 1956, had transferred certain powers to the Togolese Government which made it, in the French view, autonomous, and the Commission's terms of reference were "to examine the political situation in the territory resulting from the practical application of the recently adopted Statute and the conditions under which that Statute was being applied". The Special Commission was composed of six members, including Canada. Following the submission of the Commission's report, the French and Togolese authorities decided that elections on a basis of universal adult suffrage to a new legislative assembly would be held in 1958, and agreed that these elections should be supervised by a commissioner to be chosen by the United Nations General Assembly. Ambassador Max D'Orsinville of Haiti was elected as Commissioner by the twelfth session of the General Assembly. His report will be submitted through the Trusteeship Council to the General Assembly at its thirteenth session.

Canadian policy on trusteeship matters before the General Assembly is governed by a careful weighing, within the provisions of the United Nations Charter, of the responsibilities, rights and aspirations of both the indigenous populations and the administering States. It is the Canadian view that the General Assembly should decide broad policy and leave to the Trusteeship Council a reasonable freedom of action in deciding matters of detail.

International Court of Justice.—To "adjust and settle international disputes in conformity with Justice and International Law" is one of the purposes of the United Nations and it was therefore essential to establish a judicial arm for the Organization. The Statute of the International Court of Justice is an integral part of the Charter of the United Nations. All members of the United Nations are *ipso facto* parties to the Statute