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The Status of I.C.E.S.

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The Bureau has for some time examined the question of the status of the I.C.E.S. as compared to that of other international organisations. Several of these enjoy special privileges such as priority, facilitating rapid handling of mail, exemption for custom duties and exemption from income tax for their employees, and to the I.C.E.S. these privileges would be of considerable value.

However, it appears that the I.C.E.S. cannot at present be granted these privileges because the organisation does not have the required legal status. It is possible that this stumbling block may be removed if the member-states agree to sign a convention, thereby placing the co-operation between the adhering states on a firm basis.

The Bureau wishes to ask the Council for authority to examine this question further.

Estimate for 1955/1956.

<u>Expenditure</u>			<u>Receipt</u>		
	D.kr.	D.kr.		D.kr.	D.kr.
<u>I. Incidentals</u>			<u>I. Contributions.</u>		
1. President	5,000.-		Belgium	20,000.-	
2. Chairmen of Committees	<u>20,300.-</u>	25,300.-	Denmark	20,000.-	
			Finland	10,000.-	
			France	40,000.-	
<u>II. Salaries</u>			German Federal Republic	40,000.-	
1. General Secretary	20,000.-		Iceland	20,000.-	
Administrative Department			Ireland	15,000.-	
2. Assist. Secr.	12,780.-		The Netherlands	20,000.-	
3. Assistant	9,500.-		Norway	20,000.-	
Publication Department			Poland	20,000.-	
4. Assist. Secr..	12,780.-		Portugal	15,000.-	
5. Clerical Assist.	9,770.-		Spain	20,000.-	
Statistical Department			Sweden	20,000.-	
6. Assist. Secr.	12,780.-		United Kingdom	40,000.-	
Hydrographical Department			U.S.S.R.	<u>40,000.-</u>	360,000.-
7. Hydrographer	20,915.-				
8. 1st Assistant	11,505.-		<u>II. Interest</u>		
9. Clerical Assist.	9,340.-		On Bank		
10. Part Time Assist. (P.Alnøe)	4,500.-		Deposits	5,000.00	
11. Part Time Assist. (I.Bondorff)	<u>4,300.-</u>	128,170.-	On Investments	4,513.50	
			On Pension Fund	<u>4,873.50</u>	14,387.-
<u>III. Office Expenses</u>		53,500.-			
<u>IV. Travelling Expenses</u>		10,500.-	<u>III. Sale of Publications</u>		20,000.-
<u>V. Publications</u>		100,000.-	<u>IV. Contribution from Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution towards collecting and publishing American observations for Bulletin Hydrographique</u>		750.-
<u>VI. Pensions</u>					
1. Miss I.Hansted	6,876.-				
2. Miss E.Brønniche	9,804.-				
3. Miss M.Rehder	9,804.-				
4. Contributions to Pensioninsurance	5,820.-				
5. Contributions to Pension Saving	<u>2,385.-</u>	34,689.-			
Estimated Excess of Income over Expenditure		<u>42,978.-</u>			
		395,137.00			395,137.00
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