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CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 4, 1970 7:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt,  
H. N. Sheffield

AARON DENNIS TO KENDU HOSPITAL

AGREED, To advise the East African Union that Aaron Dennis and wife are willing to accept a call to work in Kendu Hospital, if a call comes to them. The Dennis family understand the problem of the schooling of their children, but are willing to make any sacrifice in order to serve in this needy field.

ENGLISH OFFICE SECRETARIES

The urgent need for English office secretaries in the new Afro-Mideast Division office was discussed. As no solution to the problem was found among the wives of workers, or national personnel, it was

AGREED, To advise the General Conference that we will probably be sending through calls for one or two office secretaries and request that they look for candidates who could come out soon.

EVACUEES FROM SYRIA AND JORDAN

Three families are presently living on the Division compound having left Syria and Jordan due to the political situation.

Saad Khilla has not been able to secure a resident permit to live in Syria, and unless the status of our church there is altered, other plans will need to be made for him. It was suggested that the Iraq Section might be interested in calling him. Otherwise he should probably be returned to Egypt.

The idea of suggesting that Habib Banna return to Egypt to await developments in Syria was studied. Elder Darnell was asked to investigate this and other possibilities.

The idea was expressed that the Jordan situation has quieted down to the extent that Jon Green could return to his home without serious danger.

Adjourned: 8:00 A.M.

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CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 5, 1970 7:30 A.M.

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt,  
H. N. Sheffield

THOMAS DAVIS - CALL TO PUERTO RICO

AGREED, To pass on the call of the Inter-American Division for Thomas Davis to serve as physical therapist in the Bella Vista Hospital in Puerto Rico.

WILLIAM BRADSHAW - PERMANENT RETURN

AGREED, To approve information which has been given to William Bradshaw and the General Conference to the effect that William Bradshaw will be returning on permanent return.

KENNETH OSTER - JANUARY DEPARTURE DATE

AGREED, To accept the proposal that Kenneth Oster's departure date be set in January, 1971, considering that Mrs. Oster will complete an MA in music in December, 1970.

JACK BOHANNON - CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

AGREED, To explore the following possibilities for the education of the Jack Bohannon children, pending the arrival of Mrs. Oster:

1. Postpone the beginning of the school year until Mrs. Oster arrives.
2. Arrange for the children to take one semester by Home Study.
3. Bring the Bohannon family to Beirut for three months where the children can study in the Overseas School while Elder Bohannon assists in evangelism.

D. K. BAZARRA - SHIPMENT OF PERSONAL EFFECTS TO UGANDA

AGREED, To wait for further information on shipping expense before making a decision regarding D. K. Bazarra's request to send seven pieces of furniture (4 drawers, 1 small table, a book shelf, and a bed) to Uganda at denominational expense, rather than move them to Beirut.

Adjourned at 8:20 A.M.

CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 6, 1970 7:30 A.M.

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt, H. N. Sheffield

CYPRUS CONTACT - INFORMATION

Thomas Davis phoned from Nicosia to inquire regarding plans for his move to Puerto Rico. William Bradshaw was informed of his permanent return since he had not yet received his letter. They were requested to terminate the rent of Dr. Sines' house as of the end of September.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCE - DAVIS AND BRADSHAW

Thomas Davis and William Bradshaw indicated by phone that they desire to visit points of interest in Europe on their return to America.

AGREED, To authorize the treasurer to purchase tickets by the suggested routing with the understanding that the Division share of the cost is not to exceed the price of a direct routing on a discounted fully-endorsable ticket.

TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT MAIL

AGREED, To authorize Dr. Sheffield to change the address for the temperance department materials from Beirut to Nairobi.

H. N. SHEFFIELD, MD - HOUSE FURNITURE IN NAIROBI

AGREED, To request the East African Union to provide furnishings for the Sheffield house in Nairobi and to charge the Division rent for same along with the house rent.

SHEFFIELD FREIGHT

AGREED, To authorize Dr. Sheffield to ship his household effects to Nairobi by air freight.

Caucus ended at 8:40 A. M.

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CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 10, 1970 7:20 A. M.

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt, H. N. Sheffield

IRBID, JORDAN LIBRARY - REQUEST FOR BOOKS

AGREED, That the Public Relations Department arrange a gift of a few books for the Irbid, Jordan public library.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SECONDARY CLASSES

NOTED, That we have only one prospective Seventh-Day Adventist student for the Beirut Overseas School in the secondary level for the 1970/71 school year. Two non-SDA's are planning to attend.

Caucus ended 7:40 A.M.

CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 11, 1970 7:30 A.M.

THOMAS DAVIS - DATE FOR PERMANENT RETURN

NOTED, That the Tom Davis family plans to leave Cyprus approximately August 25, spend a week in Europe and arrive in the United States September 2, 1970.

JON GREEN - ASSIST IN CYPRUS CAMP

AGREED, That Jon Green assist with the Cyprus Youth Camp, August 20 - 30, it being understood that the Cyprus Section will bear all expense of travel and entertainment.

RAY L. JACOBS - TRAVEL TO CYPRUS

AGREED, That Ray L. Jacobs visit Cyprus in connection with building problems and assist with arrangements for the travel of the families leaving on permanent return.

HOMELAND DEPOSITS

During the first half of the year an amount equal to 27.777% of the homeland salary rate has been deposited to Section II workers' accounts. Inasmuch as the policy stipulates that 25% of the homeland salary rate is the maximum permitted, it was

AGREED, That beginning July 1, 1970, an amount equal to 25% of the homeland salary rate be deposited to the credit of Section II workers.

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt, and the meeting adjourned 8:15 A.M.

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CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 14, 1970 7:30 A. M.

PRESENT: Ray L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt

HOUSES BEING USED TEMPORARILY BY SYRIAN AND JORDANIAN WORKERS

Soon the new workers will be arriving and housing and guest room facilities must be in readiness.

AGREED, To suggest to the Lebanon Section that they permit Saad Khilla to assist in evangelistic work in the section on a temporary basis while awaiting a reply from Iraq regarding a call for his services, it being understood that his salary will continue to be carried by the Syria Section.

MARVIN REEDER - POSTPONE VISIT

In harmony with counsel contained in a letter from M. E. Lind it was

AGREED, To recommend to the General Conference that the proposed visit of Marvin Reeder be postponed until 1971, when it will be possible to arrange for visits throughout the Division field.

AMDOC - APPROVAL

AGREED, To advise the General Conference that we approve the request of Kendu Mission Hospital in Kenya for a physician from the AMDOC group with the understanding that the doctor appointed must be a practicing Christian, a non-smoker and a non-drinker.

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CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 19, 1970 7:30 A. M.

PRESENT: Ray L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt

STUDENT COLPORTEURS IN LIBYA

AGREED, To permit student colporteurs working in Libya to turn in their earnings to our shipping agent, to be applied toward the cancelation of the pending account. RCD

RAYMOND BITAR - REIMBURSEMENT FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

AGREED, To release the service record for Raymond Bitar on receipt of the amount of \$2,685.71 which was paid to him on November 6, 1968 as final settlement for fifteen years of service. It was suggested that this amount be deposited in the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Middle East Division, Account Number 10074484, First National City Bank, Overseas Division, 399 Park Avenue, New York, USA.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - ACADEMY STUDENTS FROM OUTSIDE BEIRUT

AGREED, That the Division will fulfill its commitments made to academy students, children of overseas families who have made plans and do send their children to the Far Eastern Academy, but that we urge all who can, to take advantage of the offer of Middle East College to permit them to enter the dormitories and attend the Beirut Overseas School where they will be nearer their parents and incur less expense for the Division

Adjourned 8:10 A. M.



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CAUCUS - AVAILABLE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

August 21, 1970 7:30 A.M.

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt, H. N. Sheffield,

DR. & MRS. GEORGE BENSON - CHURCH LETTER

A request has been received for the church letters of Dr. and Mrs. George Benson to connect with the Riverside Church in Nashville, Tennessee.

AGREED, To include the names of Dr. and Mrs. George Benson in the June 23, 1970 Minutes of the Middle East Division.

BENHAZI HOSPITAL CHURCH

Until the present time the Benghazi church has continued to be included in the statistical reports.

AGREED, To place the matter of the dissolution of the Benghazi Hospital church on the agenda for action, but since the church does not exist, to immediately make the necessary modifications in the statistical reports so that this church will not be counted.

DR. GEORGE BENSON - RESIDENCY

AGREED, To advise the General Conference that no decision can be made regarding the recommendation that George Benson be approved for a regular furlough-residency for four years, until the coming Division committee meeting scheduled for September 10.

J. A. SINES, DDS - DENTAL EQUIPMENT FOR ARUSHA, TANZANIA

AGREED, To advise the General Conference that J. A. Sines is authorized to spend up to \$1,000 on dental equipment for the Arusha clinic and that the G. C. is authorized to ship the equipment that has been donated for this project.

GHALIB MOUSA - SPONSORSHIP IN CUC

AGREED, To await further information before assuming any responsibility in connection with the request of Ghalib Mousa to study in Columbia Union College.

Adjourned: 8:15 A.M.

AMERICAN SAWN  
MADE IN GERMANY

CAUCUS - AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

August 30, 1970 7:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, H. N. Sheffield, C. E. Schmidt

VIGAIN MARCARIAN - REQUEST FOR TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCE

AGREED, That the trip to California proposed by Vigain Marcarian is not allowable under denominational policies.

IRAN ACCOUNTING RECORDS

AGREED, To ask Brother George Yared to visit Iran to help bring their books up to date.

YARED - AUTHORIZED TRAVEL TO JORDAN

AGREED, To authorize George Yared's travel to Jordan to audit ;the treasurer's books.

MRS. ANTAR -GIFT PROPOSAL

AGREED, To negotiate with Mrs. Antar concerning her desire to give the denomination a piece of property.

HARTYOUN MERACHILIAN - ENGAGEMENT PROBLEM

WHEREAS the policy calls for no employment of workers who undertake marriage commitments to non-Adventists, and

Whereas Hartyoun Merachilian is reported to have been engaged for marriage with a non-Adventist girl of 13 years age,

AGREED, to counsel the Press that when the fact of the engagement is established, the worker should be suspended until board action can be taken.

GARY FRESH - DEBT ASSISTANCE

Whereas, Brother Fresh understands that the conditions for selling his home at this time in order to free himself for mission service resulted in a personal loss, and

Whereas, the General Conference policy provides for amortized debt assistance in the case of desirable mission appointees up to \$ 1,200 in special cases,

Whereas, the loss leaves the Fresh family with debts of \$ 1,500 above the amount for which the General Conference policy provides,

Whereas, the General Conference treasury department has called for advice as to whether the division can appropriate the necessary additional debt assistance,

Whereas, The financial condition of the division precludes assistance of this type,

AGREED, to refer subject back to the General Conference.

Adjourned: 8:00 A.M.

CAUCUS - AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

September 1, 1970 7:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, H. N. Sheffield, C. E. Schmidt

NANCY JOHNSON SHIPMENT FROM BNEGHAZI

AGREED, That Nancy Johnson's shipment from Benghazi, which included the Benghazi Overseas school equipment and books, be transhipped to Beirut where the decision will be made as to the final destination of its contents.

MICHAEL HABIB - STUDNET COLPORTEUR LEADER IN LIBYA

AGREED, That R. C. Darnell be authorized to make plans for Michael Habib to go to Libya with the student colporteurs who need to finish their summer hour requirements, and give assistance to the group as required, it being understood that the Division will continue his salary for the month of September.

JORDAN SECTION - TEMPORARY WORK

Jon Green and Angeli Gayed are temporarily in Lebanon due to the political crisis in Jordan.

AGREED, To authorize Dr. H. N. Sheffield to explore with the Lebanon Section the possibility of conducting Five-Day Plans in Lebanon in which Jon Green and Angeli Gayed would be invited to participate during the time until they are able to return to Jordan.

HOUSING FOR EVACUEES - IN THE DORMITORIES

AGREED, To request the treasurer to investigate the possibility of arranging for housing for Habib Banna, Angeli Gayed, and the Jon Green families who are temporarily unable to return to their regular work.

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Adjourned: 8:00 A.M.

CAUCUS - AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

September 2, 1970 7:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt

NATHAN RATIB - COLPORTEUR IN UNENTERED TERRITORIES

AGREED, That in harmony with the action taken by the MED Committee (page 1695) to look with favor on the plan for Nathan Ratib to do colporteur work in the Sudan or in Libya, subject to the stipulations of the above action regarding the paying of surface transportation to the field and of paying the return fare if he remains at least two months. It is suggested that an effort be made to secure another colporteur to accompany Brother Ratib. Before leaving contact should be made with the commercial attache to receive assurance that money to pay for the books can be brought out of the country, and that he will be permitted to work.

MICHAEL HABIB - CONTINUE ON SALARY DURING SEPTEMBER

Michael Habib has gone to Syria to secure a document to the effect that he is deferred from military service.

AGREED, To continue Michael Habib on salary for the month of September 1970 with the understanding that he will assist the student colporteurs and follow through on his application for a passport with the idea that with this he will be able to go to unentered territories for colporteur work.

HOUSING FOR EVACUEES

AGREED, To authorize the treasurer to rent an apartment on a short-term basis for the use of workers evacuated from Jordan and Syria.

COLPORTEUR BOOKS FOR LIBYA

AGREED, To authorize an order of 200 Health books and 50 single copies of magazines for the use of student colporteurs in Libya.

Adjourned: 8:00 A.M.

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AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION OFFICER CAUCUS  
September 7, 1970 Beirut, 9:00 A.M.

D. K. BAZARRA AND E. J. GREGG - OFFICERS MEETINGS

AGREED, To invite D. K. Bazarra and E. J. Gregg to attend officers meetings.

E. J. GREGG - SECRETARY OFFICERS MEETINGS

AGREED, To request E. J. Gregg to act as secretary of the officers meetings.

INVITATIONS FROM M.E.U. TO DIVISION COMMITTEE

AGREED, To invite Manoug Nazirian and Chafic Srour to attend the Division committee to be held September 7, 1970, and to recommend to the committee that Jad Katrib and Maurice Katrib be invited to the meeting on September 10.

COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS

AGREED, To list the following items for the agenda of the Afro-Mideast Division committee:

Tanzania Union Secretary-Treasurer - F. N. Pottle  
Call for two office secretaries  
Permanent Returns: H. S. Johnson, William Bradshaw  
Call: Thomas Davis to Puerto Rico  
E. J. Gregg 2 Permission to travel to USA  
H. N. Sheffield - Transfer to Nairobi

LES ANDERSON - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

AGREED, Not to approve the request of Les Anderson for a one-month leave of absence since it is not within the policy to extend short furlough

Adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

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AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION OFFICER CAUCUS

September 8, 1970 8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

OTHERS PRESENT: (For first item only) J. A. Aikman, R. C. Darnell,  
Boutros Ghazal, R. H. Henning

MODERN MEDICAL COUNSELOR - REPUBLICATION

AGREED, To recommend to the AMD Committee that the Middle East Press be authorized to negotiate with a publishing house which has requested permission to publish up to 1,000 copies of Modern Medical Counselor in order to meet an order made by the Iraqi government to a Beirut bookstore on the following bases:

(See AMD Minutes, Sept. 10)

Meeting suspended until 11:00 A.M. (No action taken)

Meeting reconvened at 2:10 P.M.

AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION AGENDA ITEMS

AGREED, To recommend the following items to the Afro-Mideast Division committee for action:

That George Yared go to Iran via Turkey in order to bring the accounting up-to-date.

That a committee be named to do preparatory work on the new Afro-Mideast Policy Book.

That a committee be named to care for problems dealing directly with the Middle East territory, as follows: R. L. Jacobs, Chairman, R. C. Darnell, Maurice Katrib, Manoug Nazirian, Chafic Srour.

That Salim Majeed receive his salary from January 1 to May 30, 1970 except for the month of March, in Iraqi currency, and in Lebanese currency for the month of March and from June 1, onward.

GREEK PUBLISHING MEETING

AGREED, To advise the Trans-Mediterranean Division that AMD representatives cannot participate in the proposed date of September 28, 1970, suggesting that a later date be agreed upon.

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HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS

AGREED, To designate housing on the Division compound,  
as follows:

<u>House Number</u>	<u>Former Occupant</u>	<u>New or Continued Assignment</u>
1	George Khoury	R. W. Taylor
2-A	Guests	Guests
2-B	Ruby Ratzlaff	Ruby Ratzlaff
2-C	Esther Feltus	Nancy Johnson
Apartment Building		
4-A	H. L. Johnson	R. H. Henning
4-B	Hugh Cowles	Hugh Cowles
4-C	Manoug Nazirian	E. J. Gregg
4-D	F. C. Webster	C. E. Schmidt
4-E	Salim Japas	M. E. Lind
4-F	Ray L. Jacobs	Ray L. Jacobs
7	R. C. Darnell	R. C. Darnell
8	George Unger	George Unger
6	H. N. Sheffield	D. K. Bazarra
5	L. C. Miller	Bekele Heye
3	R. C. Mills	A. H. Brandt

Meeting Adjourned About 4:00 P.M.

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AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION OFFICER CAUCUS

September 9, 1970 8:30 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

E. H. SEQUEIRA - SPONSORSHIP

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division committee that we acquiesce to the recommendation of the East Africa Union and the General Conference to grant a one-year bursary for E. H. Sequeira, thus giving him time to secure his residence status in the United States and be able to continue working in the East African Union.

EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCES - CHILDREN OF E. D. FRYE

AGREED, To grant to the E. D. Frye children who are studying in the Rio Lindo Academy, the allowances they would receive if they were attending Blue Mountain Academy in harmony with the policy of the Northern European Division. This applies only for the 1970-71 school year.

VENICE KHOURY - AUTHORIZATION TO STUDY IN ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

AGREED, To grant authorization for Mrs. George Khoury to take college work in Andrews University in harmony with the policy, it being understood that the University grants a 50% tuition discount.

Adjourned at 10:40 and reconvened at 2:20 P.M.

INGATHERING BROCHURE IN ARABIC AND ARMENIAN

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division committee the publication in Arabic and Armenian of the 4-page Ingathering brochure prepared by Manoug Nazirian.

FURNITURE FOR GARY FRESK

AGREED, To authorize purchase of the necessary household furniture for the Gary Fresk home in harmony with the policy for missionaries coming under Class B, but without the washing machine.

Adjourned at 3:00 P.M.



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AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION OFFICER CAUCUS

September 11, 1970      9:15 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, Ray L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

PRAYER: M. E. Lind

MIDDLE EAST UNION - ORGANIZATION

M. E. Lind read a letter that he is preparing to send to Elder R. H. Pierson with copies to Elders Franz and Emmerson regarding the organization of the new Middle East Union. It was requested that C. E. Schmidt write a letter regarding the financial involvements connected with this new organization, and that Ray L. Jacobs write C. O. Franz regarding the action itself.

R. H. HENNING - REQUEST FOR PAINTING LIVING ROOM

R. H. Henning has requested that his living room be repainted since the color does not match their furniture. The present paint is in good condition.

AGREED, To authorize the painting of the living room of the R. H. Henning apartment in a pastel shade that can be considered "standard", and as other houses and apartments are painted, that this same (or similar) color be used so as to avoid the necessity of repainting at frequent intervals.

HOME STUDY INSTITUTE

AGREED, To advise the Ethiopian Union to continue caring for charges from the Home Study Institute in harmony with the policy they have followed in the past until a new policy is adopted.

TANZANIA UNION - RADIO-TV SECRETARY

The appointment of a Radio-TV Secretary for the Tanzania Union is the responsibility of the Union itself, but since the question has been raised, it was suggested that the secretary write L. C. Robinson expressing the hope that the load of the Tanzania General Field president be relieved by the appointment of another Radio-TV secretary.

WAYNE OLSON - PROSPECTIVE WORKER

Wayne Olson, a former successful missionary in the Middle East has expressed his willingness to return. His name had been suggested to head up a school or college since he is securing his degree in this line.

AGREED, To advise the G.C. that we do not have an opening for Wayne Olson at this time.

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ITINERARIES - ROY F. WILLIAMS AND W. A. HOWE

Referred to next meeting.

H. M. S. RICHARDS - TRIBUTE

The tribute being sent to H. M. S. Richards on the occasion of a celebration being planned was read, and suggestions made.

SUSTENTEES LIVING OUTSIDE DIVISION TERRITORY - MEDICAL EXPENSE

Sustentees living in high-income countries outside the Division territory are reporting heavy medical expense to be paid by the Afro-Mideast Division. Often costs of similar medical care in their homeland are minimal or entirely free. The income to the sustentation fund is not sufficient to care for these heavy expenses.

AGREED, That the treasurer seek counsel from the General Conference Treasury, suggesting that we do not pay medical expense incurred by sustentees outside their homeland.

CARMELITA COLOMA - EMPLOYMENT

AGREED, To list on the agenda for the next AMD committee, the question of the employment of Carmelita Coloma as secretary, recommending that she be called to work in the departmental offices.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

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AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION OFFICER CAUCUS

September 15, 1970 8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

PRAYER: C. E. Schmidt

W. A. HOWE - ITINERARY

OBSERVED, That the itinerary should begin in Tanzania and end in the Middle East since schools in the southern part of the Division are closed for summer vacation in December.

NATHAN RATIB - COLPORTEUR WORK IN SUDAN

AGREED, That unless funds can be brought out of Sudan with which to pay the Press for books, the plan for Nathan Ratib to go to Sudan be canceled.

MIDDLE EAST PRESS - REQUEST FOR REHABILITATION FUND

The former Middle East Division requested assistance from the General Conference Rehabilitation Fund for the purchase of off-set equipment and a stitcher amounting to LL 45,620 and it was expected that the Division would match that granted by the G. C. in making up this amount. With the organization of the new Division and the scarcity of funds, C. E. Schmidt was requested to study the reserve funds to ascertain if the AMD is able to supply its portion, and report to a future officers' meeting.

AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION COMMITTEE

VOTED, To call a meeting of the Afro-Mideast Division committee for Tuesday, September 22, at 11:00 A.M.

TANZANIA - PRESIDENT TGF; TREASURER TU

We will continue to await word from L. C. Robinson before further action.

GEORGE UNGER - AIR CONDITIONER ON 220 v. LINE

We will wait for yearend meeting, thus giving time for study of advisability of installing meters, and supplying 220 v. current to other homes.

BEKELE HEYE - CAR DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To grant to Bekele Heye a car loan equal to the cost of the car he purchases, up to a total amount equal to two years' depreciation, in harmony with the former MED policy.

BEKELE HEYE - MOVING EXPENSE

AGREED, That since Bekele Heye has moved to Beirut under the Class B plan, his weight allowance be one-half of the amount granted under the former MED policy.

C. E. SCHMIDT - CAR DEPRECIATION

VOTED, To grant to C. E. Schmidt a car loan equal to two years' depreciation in harmony with the MED policy.

SALARIES - BEKELE HEYE AND D. K. BAZARRA

AVOTED, To grand a 2% bonus to Bekele Heye and D. K. Bazarra, based in principle on the SalaryaBonus policy of the former MED (MED 108).

MERLIN GUSTAV ANDERSON - LEAVE FOR STUDY

The final Notice Blank indicates that Dr. Anderson is planning to study on his own. Suggested that Ray L. Jacobs write for further information.

MEU REPRESENTATIVES ON SEPTEMBER 22 DIVISION COMMITTEE

AGREED, To invite Rafic Issa and J. A. Aikman to attend the AMD committee called for September 22, 1970.

MICHAEL HABIB - EXPENSE FOR TRAVEL TO JORDAN

AGREED, To reimburse Michael Habib for the LL 70, which represents one-half of his expense on a trip to Jordan to bring books for the student colporteurs. The other half was paid by the Lebanon Section.

MANOUG NAZIRIAN - EQUIPMENT ALLOWANCE

AGREED, To grant an equipment assistance of LL 100 to Manoug Nazirian for a projector he purchased based on the MED policy.

MEC PASTOR AND PRACTICAL THEOLOGY TEACHER

AGREED, To recommend to the next AMD committee that the call for a Pastor and Practical Theology teacher be canceled, since there is no budgetary provision for this worker, and to request C. E. Schmidt and R. .L. Jacobs to write to K. H. Emmerson and Roy Williams respectively giving advance notice on this plan.

MESS - SPECIAL DONATION

VOTED, To authorize the administration of the MESS to spend up to LL 4,000 which represents the amount received as a special donation and which was placed by the G. C. auditor in the building account, for tiling the second floor.

Meeting continued at 2:30 P.M.

FIXED RATES OF EXCHANGE

AGREED, To recommend to the General Conference that the fixed rates of exchange remain the same as in 1970 for all the countries of the AMD with the exception of Turkey which should be 15:1.

SAMI SROUR - BURSARY

AGREED, To recommend to the AMD committee that the agreement made by the MED granting a bursary of \$2,200 per year (MED 67/182; 68/186) to Sami Srour, medical student in Loma Linda University. It is understood that this is the final year for which a loan is to be granted, and that the total amount of \$8,300 is covered by contract signed by Sami and is to be amortized over a five-year period of service.

OFFICER CAUCUS HELD SEPTEMBER 16, 1970 at 8:15 A.M. (10)

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

PRAYER: R. L. Jacobs

OVERSEAS SCHOOL BOARDS

AGREED, To recommend the following school boards for the 1970-71 school year:

Beirut Overseas School: R. C. Darnell, Chairman, George Unger, Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Aikman, D. K. Bazarra, J. H. Segar.

Cyprus Overseas School: D. O. McDaniel, Chairman, John T. Anderson, Secretary, Moses Elmadjian.

RLJ

JACK BOHANNON - HOUSING

AGREED, To permit the Jack Bohannon family to occupy House No. 1, until the arrival of the R. W. Taylor family, and that the treasurer arrange for the storage of the personal effects belonging to George Khoury.

CES

MESS - TEMPORARY BOARD

VOTED, To name the following board for the Middle East Secondary School to serve, effective immediately, on a temporary basis until the time of the yearend committee meetings when the status of the school will be considered and a new board appointed:

Ray L. Jacobs, Chairman, Jad Katrib, Secretary, R. C. Darnell, Chafic Srour, Ignatius Yacoub.

RLJ

HOUSING - AMD COMPOUND

AGREED, That Hugh Cowles be requested to move off the Division compound in order to make it possible to care for the housing needs of the new Division staff.

CES

HABIB BANNA - FUTURE

AGREED, To list for the next AMD committee the question of the future employment of Habib Banna who is not able to return to Syria.

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OFFICER CAUCUS HELD SEPTEMBER 16, 1970 at 8:15 A.M. - 2

SERPOUHIE MAKSOUDIAN - FINAL SETTLEMENT

AGREED, To authorize the treasurer to make final settlement with Serpouhie Maksoudian in harmony with the MED policy.  
CES

OFFICER CAUCUS HELD SEPTEMBER 25, 1970

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

PRAYER: M. E. Lind

WATER HEATERS

AGREED, To authorize the purchase of two gas water heaters.

D. K. BAZARRA - OFFICE

AGREED, That on a temporary basis D. K. Bazarra occupy the office formerly used by H. N. Sheffield.

MRS. JACK BOHANNON - TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

AGREED, To employ Mrs. Jack Bohannon on a temporary hourly basis as secretary. Salary 75% of maximum hourly rate. See 70-17

MRS. C. E. SCHMIDT - EMPLOYMENT

AGREED, To employ Mrs. C. E. Schmidt on an hourly basis, as accountant. Salary 100% of maximum hourly rate.

MRS. J. A. AIKMAN

AGREED, To employ Mrs. J. A. Aikman on a temporary hourly basis as secretary. Salary 100% of maximum hourly rate.



OFFICERS' CAUCUS, SEPTEMBER 21, 1970

8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra.

SYRIA SECTION - MEMBERS CASH ASSISTANCE

AGREED, To authorize the treasurer to provide up to LL 500.00 assistance to families in need due to their husbands being imprisoned.

OVERSEAS SCHOOL - TEACHING PERSONNEL

AGREED, To request the principal of Beirut Overseas School to prepare a schedule of teacher class loads indicating the number of students for each teacher, and an indication of the system of alternating classes to be used.

TANZANIA GENERAL FIELD - PRESIDENT

AGREED, To pass on to the General Conference the insistence of the Tanzania Union that Elder Brian Ellingworth be called to fill the post of Tanzania General Field president in view of the fact that he already is acquainted with the field and knows the language.

PRESIDENT - WEST ETHIOPIA FIELD

AGREED, To send a cable to the Ethiopia Union indicating that the officers do not recommend Elder Darbe for the post of president of the West Ethiopia Field, but recommend Jon Green if the Ethiopian Union is able to rearrange their budget for an overseas worker.

R. D. SPEAR - VACATION

AGREED, In principle that R. D. Spear be permitted to take his vacation for 1970 and 1971 in order to travel to the United States at his own expense due to special circumstances having to do with his son, subject to the recommendation of the Tanzania Union.

M. E. LIND AND R. L. JACOBS - TRAVEL TO EGYPT

AGREED, To authorize M. E. Lind and R. L. Jacobs to travel to Egypt as may be arranged.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE - RENEWED CALL FOR PAUL HORTON

AGREED, To renew the call for Paul E. Horton to come to M.E.C. as teacher of Applied Theology and to serve as pastor of the College Church.

OFFICERS'S MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 23, 1970

8:30 A.M.

SALIM MAJEED - REQUEST TO TRAVEL TO IRAQ

AGREED, That if Salim Majeed desires to return to Iraq, the Division will pay bus fare and the cost of the exit visa.

RLJ

HAROLD GRAY - RENT CEILING

AGREED, To authorize the payment of the rent on the house occupied by Harold Gray until such time as the matter of rent ceilings can be restudied.

CES

J. BJORNAR STORFJELL - DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

AGREED, To authorize an advance to J. Bjornar Storfjell amounting to up to two years' depreciation allowance on a semi-authorized car.

CES

CYPRUS - REQUEST TO PURCHASE AIRCONDITIONERS

AGREED, To advise the Cyprus Section that at the present time the Afro-Mideast East Division is not in a position to authorize the purchase of the airconditioners requested, nor the expense of any major improvement.

CES

LIEF HANSEN - REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE FOR VISIT TO SWEDEN

AGREED, To advise the Ethiopia Union that, in harmony with the action of the Northern European Division, freight and travel allowances for Lief Hansen will only be granted when and if he and his family return to their homeland within the stipulated two years' time.

CES

EQUIPMENT FOR DIVISION HOUSING

VOTED, To authorize the following purchases:

- 1 semi-automatic European-made washing machine
- 2 water heaters

CES

D. H. SEQUIERA - BURSARY

AGREED, To advise the General Conference that the East African Union policy for bursary students (Same as TAD) be the basis of allowances granted D. H. Sequiera in connection with his study program.

CES

OFFICERS' MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 23, 1970

8:30 A.M.

RECEPTION FOR RELIGIOUS LEADERS

AGREED, To the plan presented by the PR Department to invite religious leaders to meet the Afro-Mideast Division president.

PAUL E. HORTON - MOVING ALLOWANCES

AGREED, To authorize the expense of moving 7,000 pounds of personal effects for Paul E. Horton in connection with his transfer from Cyprus to Middle East College. CES

Adjourned.

OFFICERS' MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 23, 1970

5:00 P.M.

M. E. LIND - TRAVEL TO IRAN

AGREED, That M. E. Lind be authorized to travel to Iran as may be arranged in order to care for some urgent problems.

R. H. HENNING - TANZANIA UNION REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

AGREED, To authorize R. H. Henning to remain in the Tanzania General Field for an additional two weeks to care for urgent work and in harmony with the request of the Tanzania Union.

JON GREEN - CALL TO WEST ETHIOPIA

AGREED, To pass on to Jon Green the call of the Ethiopian Union for him to serve as president of the West Ethiopia Field, in harmony with a telephone conversation with R. C. Mills (23 Sept. 70) it being understood that formal action will be taken at the next Afro-Mideast Division committee.

Adjourned.

AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

OFFICERS' MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 28, 1970

8:30 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

MRS. JACK BOHANNON - SALARY RATE

AGREED, To amend our action OM 70-12 and set the salary for Mrs. Jack Bohannon at 100% of the maximum hourly rate.

ISLAMIC RESEARCH PROJECT

CONSIDERATION was given to the advisability of setting up an Islamic Research Project to prepare materials and formulate methods for work for Moslems.

AGREED, To continue with the program originally planned for Kenneth Oster to go to Iran for active evangelistic work.

Adjourned -- 10:00 A.M.

## AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

OFFICERS' MEETING HELD OCTOBER 1, 1970

9:15 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

DR. ASHTON - CALL TO ETHIOPIA

AGREED, To request the Tanzania Union to release Dr. N. S. Ashton and make him available to the East African Union for service in Ishaka, subject to approval by the Tanzania Union and the East African Union.

LETTER HEADS

AGREED, To authorize the printing of two reams bond and 5 reams onion skin letter head paper in harmony with the design presented by Manoug Nazirian.

GARY FRESK - RENT CEILING

AGREED, To approve the rental of the apartment reserved for Gary Fresk, with the understanding that the Division will pay the entire subsidy above the regular 10% until December 31, 1970. The question of the rent ceilings for the Beirut area will be studied at the yearend meetings and payment for the ensuing year will be in harmony with the policy adopted.

HARATUNE NAZIRIAN - REQUEST FOR LOAN

AGREED, To advise Haratune Nazirian that the policy does not permit the Division to grant him the loan he has requested.

GWENYTH L. DAVIS - CALL

AGREED, To advise the Trans-Africa Division that it is the plan to use Miss Gwenyth L. Davis within the Afro-Mideast Division territory, and therefore a call for her would not be welcomed.

ITINERARIES - M. E. LIND, D. K. BAZARRA

AGREED, To authorize M. E. Lind and D. K. Bazarra to visit Cyprus before the yearend meetings.

OFFICERS' MEETING, October 1, 1970 (Continued)

GARBIS BEDELIAN - ASSISTANCE ON LOSS

AGREED, To make up the loss of LL 175.00 of Division funds suffered by Garbis Bedelian while on Division business, and apply for reimbursement from the insurance company.

AFRO - MIDEAST DIVISION

OFFICERS' MEETING HELD OCTOBER 2, 1970

7:40 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

ABDULLA MELKI - MEDICAL EXPENSE

AGREED, To loan LL 1500.00 to Abdulla Melki, employee of the Middle East Press, required for his trip to Russia for a cornea transplant. The plane fare will be considered reportable as medical expenses and the remainder will be returned in monthly payments or immediately if he is able to sell property he owns.

GARDEN PLOTS

AGREED, To assign to each family requesting it, a small garden plot.

Adjourned.

## AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

OFFICERS' MEETING HELD OCTOBER 7, 1970

2:00 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

RELIEF FOR JORDAN

VOTED, To authorize A. H. Brandt to travel to Jordan to appraise the needs for relief supplies and further to investigate the possibility of securing such items as may be required from Denmark.

SUB-COMMITTEES - YEAREND MEETINGS

AGREED, To approve the schedule for subcommittee meetings to be held in connection with the yearend committee meeting, as presented by D. K. Bazarra.

AFRO-MIDEAST COMMITTEE - DATE

AGREED, To call a meeting of the Afro-Mideast Division committee for Tuesday, October 13.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR COMMITTEE

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division committee that the following subcommittee on distribution of labor be named to serve in connection with the year-end meetings: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. D. Henri, R.L. Jacobs, Middle East Union President, Hugo Palm, L. C. Robinson, C. E. Schmidt.

R. F. WADDELL - INVITATION TO EMPRESS ZAUDITU MEMORIAL HOSPITAL INAUGURATION

AGREED, To pass on to the General Conference the request of the Ethiopian Union for R. F. Waddell, M.D. to attend the opening of the new Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital.

WORKERS IN SYRIA

Careful study was given to the situation of our ministers in Syria, and it was

AGREED, That Gabriel Katrib be advised to remain in his own country where he can be supported in harmony with a verbal agreement of the Afro-Mideast Division officers to be communicated personally to the members concerned, and further



OFFICERS' MEETING OCTOBER 7, 1970 (Continued)

That the treasurer be authorized to advance two months salary to each of the ministers pending the implementation of the above plan.

WATER HEATERS

VOTED, To approve the purchase of three additional water heaters.

W. A. HOWE - VISIT POSTPONEMENT

VOTED, To advise the General Conference that it would be preferable to postpone the visit of W. A. Howe to the Afro-Mideast Division until such time as the Educational Secretary can be established in his work and have acquaintance with the field.

E. J. GREGG - AUTHORIZE TRAVEL TO SALISBURY

AGREED, To authorize E. J. Gregg to travel to Salisbury to pick up records pertaining to the Afro-Mideast Division.

AHMAD FARNOODY - SETTLEMENT

AGREED, To approve the recommendation of the Iran Section to make final settlement with Ahmad Farnoody, in harmony with the provisions of the former Middle East Division policy.

COMMITTEE ON POLICY AND CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

AGREED, To expand the name of the Committee on Policy to the Committee on Policy and Constitution and By-laws, since this committee will be expected to deal not only with working policy but with the constitution and by-laws at the time of the year-end meetings.

OFFICE ASSIGNMENTS

AGREED, To provide office space for new workers as follows:

1. Construct a division approximately one meter behind the cashier's window, thus providing a place for the receptionist who will care for the telephone switchboard, the mail, and make petty cash disbursements, etc.
2. Close the receptionist's window, and assign this office to George Nehme.
3. Assign the office occupied by George Nehme to E. J. Gregg.
4. Move the library into the end of the committee room and assign this room to R. W. Taylor.

Adjourned

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

October 13, 1970

9:10 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

H. N. SHEFFIELD - VISIT ETHIOPIA

AGREED, To request H. N. Sheffield to spend approximately three weeks in Ethiopia in connection with his return to Nairobi following the Division committee meetings.

COON FAMILY TRANSPORTATION

AGREED, To grant to the Coon family, leaving Wollega, Ethiopia on April 20, 1971 on permanent return, a flat travel allowance equivalent to the cost of direct air tickets purchased through our Beirut agent.

TURKEY SECTION - OHANNES DELICE

AGREED, To approve the recommendation of the Turkey Section that the salary of Ohannes Delice be set at 60%, but to inform the Section that the question of an increase in base will be referred to the year-end committee.

E J GREGG - REQUEST TRAVEL BEIRUT FOR TREASURY WORK

AGREED, To request E. J. Gregg to come immediately to Beirut to assist the treasurer in the preparation of materials required for the year-end meetings.

OCTOBER 14, 1970 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR EGYPTIAN STUDENTS

AGREED, That a scholarship fund be set up in the Afro-Mideast Division for the benefit of Egyptian students attending Middle East Secondary School and Middle East College. Disbursements from this fund shall be only for school expenses including tuition, books, board, room and laundry and for transportation when required for school attendance, and shall be disbursed only by order of the administration of the Egypt Section.

Adjourned.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

October 15, 1970 8:00 A.M.

PER DIEM ALLOWANCE

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division committee that the per diem allowance for Division officers and departmental secretaries be set at LL. 16.00, with the understanding that this rate be reported until official Division action is taken.

STEWARDSHIP AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT SECRETARY

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division that D.K. Bazarra be named as Stewardship Secretary and that Bekele Heye be named Church Development Secretary.

LEBANON SECTION - REASSIGNMENT OF RESERVE FOR BOURJ-HAMMOUD

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division that the request of the Lebanon Section to have the balance of the Boucherieh Church construction fund reassigned to be used for the repair of the roof of the Bourj-Hammoud Church, it being understood that repairs may be made immediately.

DISPLACED WORKERS - SALARY BASE

AGREED, That Saad Khilla and Habib Banna, who were called from Egypt to Syria but remained but a short time before being displaced to Lebanon, be paid for two months at the Syrian rate and the remaining time while living in Lebanon at the Lebanese rate.

\* KENNETH OSTER - TRANSPORTATION

AGREED, That Kenneth Oster come to the Middle East under the provisions of Class A, since it is not desired to install denominational furniture in rented quarters, and further

That Brother Oster be requested to proceed to the field by air since it is urgent that Mrs. Oster arrive to teach the Bohannon children beginning in January.

Adjourned.

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OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

October 20, 1970 3:45 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

R. W. TAYLOR - DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To grant R. W. Taylor an advance equal to two years car depreciation for the purchase of an automobile.

Adjourned.

AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Officers' Meeting Held 08:45, 26-10-70

Present: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra, Ray L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Prayer: D. K. Bazarra

S. D. OTIENO INVITED TO YEAR-END MEETING Voted to invite S. D. Otieno, Administrative Secretary of the Tanzania Union to attend the 1970 year-end meetings. (RLJ)

## AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Officers' Meeting Held 08:00, 23-10-70

Present: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, Ray L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

MID-YEAR MEETING OF THE DIVISION MEETING. It was recommended that a mid-year meeting of the Division Committee be held. Suggested dates May 3-6, 1971.

TRANSPORTATION WORKERS' CHILDREN TO SCHOOLS. It was recommended that the sub-committee on policy be asked to prepare a policy which would govern the granting of assistance to workers whose children must travel to Middle East College and the Beirut Overseas School.

FILM, "TEACH US TO LIVE" Recommended that the film, "Teach us to Live" be purchased from the Evangelistic fund.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE--LESLIE ANDERSON. Recommended that, inasmuch as the Ethiopian Union and the Northern European Division had already granted a one month leave of absence to Leslie Anderson, we concur in this action.

L. C. MILLER FURNITURE, SALE OF. Voted to authorize the sale of the furniture purchased from L. C. Miller provided the officers of the Turkey Section agree.

RECORDING SECRETARY--YEAR END MEETING. Recommended that Mrs. Donna Bohannon be asked to serve as the recording secretary for the 1970 year-end meeting.

TRAVEL ACCIDENT INSURANCE. Recommended a policy be formulated which will provide Travel Accident Insurance cover for those workers required to travel extensively. The cover to be arranged through the General Conference Insurance Service with the employing organization bearing the cost of \$10,000.00 cover. Any additional coverage above this amount to be the expense of the individual worker.

PERSONAL EFFECTS FLOATER INSURANCE. Recommended that a policy be formulated which would provide for personal effects insurance for workers who travel. This coverage to be arranged through the General Conference Insurance service with the cost being shared equally by the worker and his employing organization. \$1,000.00 limit.

PERSONAL PROPERTY INSURANCE. Recommended that a policy be formulated which will grant assistance to workers in the insurance of their household effects against loss by fire, theft, and other hazards. The assistance not to exceed 50% of the premium cost on values up to the following limits:

- \$3,000.00 for families in furnished homes
- 5,000.00 for families in unfurnished homes
- 1,000.00 for singles workers in furnished homes
- 3,000.00 for single workers in unfurnished homes.

AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Officers' Meeting Held 08:00, 23-10-70, page 2

CALL FOR DIVISION OFFICE ACCOUNTANT Recommended that a call be placed with the General Conference for a single lady to serve as an accountant in the Afro-Mideast Division office.

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AFRO-MIDEAST OFFICERS AND UNION PRESIDENTS CAUCUS

October 27, 1970 8:30 A.M.

LANGUAGE STUDY

VOTED, To recommend to the A.M.D. committee that careful study be given to the implementation of policies on language study.

UNION COMMITTEE MINUTES

AGREED, To request the unions to send copies of Union Minutes to the Division officers and departmental secretaries. Four copies should be sent airmail and seven copies by surface mail.

A.M.D. PERSONNEL TRAVELING WITH UNION AND LOCAL WORKERS

AGREED, That when Division personnel travel with union and local workers, they be expected to pay the following:

1. Hotels and other expenses where payment must be made.
2. Share expense of travel in car and mission plane, excepting when the trip is made solely for the Division worker, when he will pay the entire cost.

He will make no payment for lodging and entertainment in Mission Stations or in workers' homes which are reported to their employing organizations.

LOCAL FIELDS - TERMINOLOGY

AGREED, To recommend to the A.M.D. committee that the terms "local fields" and "conferences" be employed when referring to the segments which compose a union.

ELECTIVE MEMBERS TO A.M.D. COMMITTEE

AGREED, To recommend to the A.M.D. committee that one elective national member from each union be named to the A.M.D. committee to serve on a rotating basis for a period of two years in harmony with the policy of the General Conference.

UNENTERED TERRITORIES

AGREED, To recommend to each union that definite plans be formulated in view of entering all unentered territories during the ensuing quennium.



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OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

November 3, 1970 7:30 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

NOTED: That policies of those other Divisions, portions of whose territories have been added to the Afro-Mideast Division, be considered to be in effect in those areas until January 1, 1971.

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AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Officers' and Departmental Secretaries' Meeting  
Held 09:00, 26-10-70

Present: M. E. Lind, D. K. Basarra, A. H. Brandt, R. C. Darnell, R. H. Henning, Bekela Hays, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, R. W. Taylor, E. J. Gregg.

Prayer: E. J. Gregg.

SHARING TRAVEL IN UNIONS. Recommended that where Division personnel travel in the unions in company with union personnel, the expenses be shared with the local personnel. It should be arranged as far as possible that the local union man be not left to complete a long portion of the journey at his own budget's expense.

TRAVEL EXPENSE REPORTS. Agreed that for the time being, all travel expense reports be submitted regularly to the Treasurer. It is requested that only travel expenses be listed on the reports and that they be listed in the currency with which they were paid, and also that the rate at which dollars are exchanged be noted.

AVOIDING COMMITMENTS. Departmental personnel itinerating in the field are urged to avoid involving the Division in any commitments.

REPORTS AFTER ITINERATING. Division personnel are urged to submit oral or written reports to the President upon return from trips in the field.

INSURANCE. Division personnel will be automatically covered with Travel Accident Insurance to the extent of \$10,000. Any coverage in excess of this amount would be at the Worker's own expense.

Personal effects insurance is available. The employing organization will bear 50% of the premium up to \$1,000.00.

DEPARTMENTAL GOALS. Voted to recommend to the Division Committee that goals be set initially for one year only and that a longer range plan for goals be adopted at the Division Council in one year's time.

MEMBERSHIP GOALS. Voted to recommend to the Committee that a goal of doubling the membership in the next five-year period be accepted. This represents an annual increase of 15%.

FORWARD THRUST. Voted to present the program for the Forward Thrust to the Year-end Meeting.

LITERATURE EVANGELISTS - COOPERATING WITH MINISTERS. Voted to recommend to the Division Committee a program of cooperation between ministers and literature evangelists,

Suggesting:

1. Weekly meetings on a district level with an exchange of experiences and prayer.
2. Joint efforts from house to house. Minister and colporteur spending at least one day per month in this joint visitation program.

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**OFFICERS' AND DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION**

October 26, 1970 9:00 A.M.

- 3. Proper handing over of interests to the minister.
- 4. Cooperation in evangelistic meetings.
- 5. Cooperation between ministers and publishing department secretaries in recruitment of new literature evangelists.

VOP FOLLOW UP. Voted to recommend the program of VOP follow-up, using the Gift Bible Plan.

EVANGELISTIC THRUST. To recommend to the Division Committee a program of coordinated departmental promotion in which all departments cooperate in the over-all evangelistic thrust aiming at two major baptismal services each year.

WELFARE DEPOT. Recommended to the Division Committee that a welfare depot be established in the area of the Middle East to provide for ready distribution in case of emergencies.

PUBLIC RELATIONS MATERIAL FOR DENOMINATIONAL JOURNALS. Recommended that the Public Relations Department present to the Division Committee a schedule of promotional material to be presented in various denominational journals promoting the Second Quarter 1971 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

MONTHLY JOURNAL. Recommended to the Division Committee that a monthly journal be published.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

**OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION**

November 10, 1970

**TYPEWRITERS**

AGREED, That until the yearend financial statements are prepared, no more typewriters be purchased, but that the available typewriters be used by secretaries as required, it being understood that only professional typists use the electric machines.

**GREGG DOYLE - EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE**

AGREED, To grant to Gregg Doyle financial assistance for his studies in Kettering up to \$300.00 per semester.

**RENT CEILING**

AGREED, That the former MED policy limiting rent to LL 3000 per year be continued on a temporary basis. When it is necessary to pay more than LL 3000 for suitable housing, approval of the next higher organization shall be secured and the employing organization shall pay the difference in excess of the rent ceiling.

**RUBY WILLIAMS - AUTO DEPRECIATION**

The automobile belonging to Ruby Williams was used during her furlough by Dr. Sheffield and Harold Johnson. Due to these circumstances, it was

AGREED, That one-half of the auto depreciation for Ruby Williams be paid for the time she was on furlough.

**GEORGE YARED - SALARY ARRANGEMENTS**

AGREED, That George Yared continue to receive the same Lebanese currency amount of salary which he has been receiving previous to the organization of the new Division, until such a time as the percentage rate according to the policy reaches this amount, and further

That his car authorization be continued to the end of the year 1970.

**JACK BOHANNON - SALARY IN LEBANON**

AGREED, That Jack Bohannon receive salary and car allowance at the Lebanese rate beginning with November, 1970 until the time he returns to Iran.

**BEIRUT INTER-DIVISION SCHOOL - FINANCIAL OPERATION**

AGREED, (1) That the following committee be appointed to study the accounting and financial operation of the Beirut Inter-Division School and report to the AMD committee: C. E. Schmidt, Chairman, R. C. Darnell, George Unger.

(2) To express displeasure for the purchase of equipment for the school without approval of the responsible committees.

(3) That in the future no equipment be purchased without board and Division committee approval.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

November 11, 1970 Held at 11:30 A.M.

AARON DENNIS - ASSISTANCE FOR LOCKSMITH COURSE

AGREED, To reimburse Aaron Dennis for 75% of the cost of a course in Locksmithing, costing \$200, which he took while on furlough.

GREEK LITERATURE COMMITTEE

AGREED, In principle to participation in the Greek Literature Committee, but that the meeting be held only after consultation with the administration of the Middle East Union and with the concurrence of the Division organizations concerned.

D. K. BAZARRA - CAR DEPRECIATION

AGREED, To grant D. K. Bazarra an advance equivalent to two years of depreciation for the purchase of a car.

DIVISION HOUSING

AGREED, To make housing assignments as follows:

<u>House Number</u>	<u>Former Occupant</u>	<u>New Assignment</u>
4 - B	H. Cowles	***
4 - C	M. Nazirian	D. J. Gregg
7	R. C. Darnell	****

\*\*\* It is understood that the family Harcombe or Ghertsen having the smaller children will occupy the house now occupied by Darnell, and

FURTHER, To approve making necessary arrangements regarding the rent ceiling in order that the families moving out of the compound may secure adequate housing.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Nairobi, Kenya November 27, 1970 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

NATIONAL PHYSICIANS - SALARY RATE

AGREED, To set the base salary for national doctors in East Africa and Tanzania Unions at Shs. 1700.00. *1680.-*

SALARY RATE - AMD WORKERS OUTSIDE HOME UNION

AGREED, That when AMD workers are called to labor in fields where the base salary rate is less than in their homeland, the following plan be followed:

- a. The salary paid by the employing organization in the field shall be on the national scale.
- b. The employing organization shall grant to the worker a subsidy equal to 6% of his salary.
- c. The AMD shall deposit to the worker's account in his homeland an amount equal to the difference between the base salary he receives and that which he would receive for the same work in his homeland.

OVERSEAS HOUSING - TRUST FUND IN UNIONS

AGREED, That the unions of the AMD be authorized to charge the Division the equivalent of LL 100.00 per month for each inter-division worker occupying a denominationally owned unfurnished house (LL 150.00 per month for furnished housing), the same to be credited to a Housing Trust Fund.

Unions are authorized to withdraw from the Housing Trust Fund for the maintenance, repair, insurance, taxes, and similar expenses required for the upkeep of such housing and furnishings, which shall be understood to be the responsibility of the unions.

In the event that the Housing Trust Fund builds up sufficiently, the union may request the Division for authorization to use monies from this Trust Fund for the erection of additional housing.

The Division will charge inter-division workers directly for rent in harmony with the policy.

Adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

OFFICERS'S MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Busegwe, Tanzania

November 19, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

OPERATION OF AIRPLANES

AGREED, That in the operation of airplanes, it be understood:

1. That the pilot be responsible for
  - a. Maintenance
  - b. Operation of the plane
  - c. Final decision regarding safety of the plane and passengers indicated by weight, weather, runways, etc.
2. Qualified pilots approved by the Union committee and insurance agencies may be authorized in consultation with the pilot to operate the plane.
3. The general operation of the plane is under the direction of the controlling committee through its president.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Nairobi, Kenya November 29, 1970 7:20 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

WORKERS' CHILDREN - CHRISTMAS VACATION 1970

AGREED, That workers' children authorized to attend school away from home be permitted to visit their homes in connection with the 1970 Christmas vacation, it being understood that the maximum expense reportable be "student fare" from the school to the home and return and that this authorization is granted only for 1970.

Adjourned.

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Nairobi, Kenya November 30, 1970 6:15 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

Invited to be present: C. D. Henri, W. M. Webster,  
Roy F. Williams

H. N. SHEFFIELD - AVAILABLE TO HOSPITALS

AGREED, That H.N. Sheffield be made available to the East African Union for service in Kendu Hospital during February and March, 1971, and to the Ethiopian Union during the month of January, 1971.

Adjourned.



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

November 14, 1970 8:30 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D.K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

WEBBER JOHNSON - ASSISTANCE IN AMD TREASURY

AGREED, To accept the recommendation of the General Conference and request Webber Johnson to come to Beirut to assist in the Treasury work of the Division office for at least six months in order to give time to secure the services of an accountant.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

AGREED, To approve the plan to hold a Christmas social on Sunday night, December 27, and to name the following a committee to plan this activity: Mrs. George Unger, Chairlady, Mrs. R. W. Taylor, Mrs. Bekele Heye.

JUSTIN C. HAMER - TRAVEL ASSISTANCE FOR JIMMY

J. C. Hamer sent his son Jimmy to Singapore Academy in spite of definite counsel to the contrary, and never made a formal request to the committee for such authorization. Now he requests that his son be brought home for the Christmas vacation in harmony with the plan for other children of Afro-Mideast Division workers. It was

VOTED, To grant to Jimmy Hamer one round-trip student fare to Singapore for the 1970-71 school year.

FAR EASTERN DIVISION REQUEST FOR FLAGS, KODACHROMES, AND FILM

VOTED, To lend the former Middle East Division General Conference film and Kodachrome pictures from the AMD to the Far Eastern Division for a program they are preparing featuring the AMD, but to inform the FED that the flags are not available.

REVIEW AND HERALD - CORRESPONDING EDITOR

VOTED, To name R. W. Taylor corresponding editor of the "Review and Herald" until the arrival of the PR Secretary.

Adjourned.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

December 21, 1970 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

VIGAIN MARCARIAN - STUDY LEAVE EXTENSION

Vigain Marcarian has requested an extension of his study leave in the USA in order to care for rehabilitation for his retarded son, Vagrik.

WHEREAS, there is no assurance that only one operation will be required, and

WHEREAS, it is urgent that someone care for the treasury work in Iran immediately, it was

AGREED, That a meeting be set up with the AMD and the MEU officers and H. L. Gray, to give study to this request.

Adjourned.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

December 21, 1970 4:45 P.M.

PRESENT: M.E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

BY INVITATION: R. C. Darnell, H. L. Gray, Rafic Issa, Manoug Nazirian

VIGAIN MARCARIAN - EXTENSION OF LEAVE

AGREED, To authorize the sending of the following Telex message to the General Conference:

AUTHORIZE VIGAIN MARCARIAN IN ANDREWS UNIVERSITY YET FURTHER EXTENSION LEAVE IN AMERICA UNTIL FEBRUARY 28, 1971 FOR OPERATION AND TREATMENT OF SON THIS TIME TO INCLUDE ALL HIS VACATION DUE THROUGH 1971 STOP ANY ADDITIONAL EXTENSION WITHOUT SALARY

C. E. SCHMIDT - AUTHORIZE TRAVEL TO IRAN

In view of the urgent need of bringing the accounting in the Iran Field up to date, it was

AGREED, That C. E. Schmidt be authorized to go to Iran to help orient an accountant chosen by the Middle East Union in his work with the Iran books, it being understood that the accountant will remain until the books are brought up to date.

Adjourned.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

December 22, 1970 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

BY INVITATION for Publishing Items: R. H. Henning

E. G. WHITE PUBLICATIONS

AGREED, That R. H. Henning request the Union Publishing Secretaries to make a survey of the E. G. White books in the homes of the members throughout the Division in order to ascertain the needs of the field, and to inform us as to the number of books they will be needing in view of the special rates offered by the E. G. White Publications, and further

That he investigate the possibility of using such books as "The Conflict of the Ages" series as missionary books, taking advantage of the reduced prices.

"IMPACT" - NUMBER TO BE PUBLISHED

AGREED, To print an edition of 1,500 copies of Impact.

PUBLISHING COUNCIL DATES - MODIFICATION

AGREED, That the date for the Publishing Council be changed to February 19 - 24, 1971.

STUDENT MISSIONARIES

AGREED, To recommend to the AMD committee that a student missionary be requested to serve as teacher in the Beirut Inter-Division School during the 1971-72 school year.

AMD ACCOUNTANT

AGREED, To pass on to the MEU a call for Leon Thomassian to serve as Division accountant.

R. G. LORENSON - STATUS AND FURLOUGH

AGREED, That the Secretary write to L. C. Robinson questioning the advisability of using a budget for the employment of R. G. Lorenson on a regular basis, considering other urgent and pressing needs, and in view of the fact that additional budgets cannot now be provided by the Division.

Adjourned.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

December 23, 1970 11:40 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

DIVISION ACCOUNTANT

AGREED, To send a TELEX message to the General Conference as follows:

SEGAR PREFERS REMAIN MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE THEREFORE REQUEST REACTIVATE CALL DIVISION ACCOUNTANT SUGGESTING FOLLOWING PERSONS WAYNE CLARK ASSISTANT TREASURER GREATER NEW YORK CONFERENCE WAYNE STROMME ROUTE 2 RONAN MONTANA 59864 ALSO INDIVIDUAL SUGGESTED TO GREGG BY MRS GERTRUDE GIBSON ACCOUNTING TEACHER WALLA WALLA PLEASE CONTACT HER STOP ANXIOUSLY AWAITING NEWS OUR CALL TANZANIA TREASURER JACOBS

M. E. LIND - REQUEST OF BEIRUT INTER-DIVISION SCHOOL

AGREED, To approve the request of the Beirut Inter-Division School for M. E. Lind to speak to the students January 11-15, 1971.

M. GUNDERSON - HOMELAND STATUS

AGREED, To request the General Conference to establish the homeland for M. Gunderson who is from Norway but was called to Tanzania from Canada.

Adjourned.

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

December 31, 1970 8:20 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt  
R. L. Jacobs

Prayer by M. E. Lind.

MIDDLE EAST UNION - OFFICE PLAN

VOTED, To recommend to the AMD committee that the plan submitted by the Middle East Union for the remodeling of the former Arabic Elementary School be used as Union office be approved.

EAU - ASSISTANCE IN EXPENSE OF NATIONAL RELIEF PHYSICIANS

AGREED, That the treasurer request from the EAU detailed information as to extra expense incurred by the national doctors serving in relief capacity, with the idea that study will be given to granting a special subsidy.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, (Acting)Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

January 4, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer by E. J. Gregg.

DR. LARRY WARD - CALL TO KENDU

RECOMMENDED that Dr. Larry Ward, an osteopathic physician, be called for service at Kendu Mission Hospital, with the understanding that he is qualified and willing to care for regular medical practice including surgery.

NAIROBI MEDICAL CENTER - FINANCIAL PLAN

VOTED, That the East African Union be advised to submit a detailed plan of finance for the proposed Nairobi Medical Center for consideration by the Division committee and further, that it be determined if the funds anticipated for this project are immediately available.

LANGUAGE STUDY - COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend that a committee be appointed to approve of policies governing language study throughout the Division. The names recommended are: Ray L. Jacobs, A. H. Brandt, C. E. Schmidt.

MRS. KENNETH OSTER - TEACHER IN BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL

VOTED, To pass on the call of the Beirut Overseas School for Mrs. Kenneth Oster to serve on the teaching staff beginning with the new school year.

MRS. JACK BOHANNON - CALL AS AID SECRETARY

VOTED, To place a call with the MEU for Mrs. Jack Bohannon for secretarial work in the Division office.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - ADDITIONAL PLAYGROUND

VOTED, To approve the use of the plot below the main driveway as a playground for the small children in the Overseas School.

MRS. R. W. TAYLOR - TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To employ Mrs. R. W. Taylor on a temporary basis until the secretary on call arrives, and further to pay Mrs. Taylor at the rate of 58%.

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R. D. PIFER - MOVE TO BEIRUT

VOTED, That R. D. Pifer be moved to the East Mediterranean Field at Division expense and that the Middle East Union not be required to assist with this move.

AUDIT COMMITTEE - ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

VOTED, That K. L. Vine, R. C. Darnell, Rafic Issa, and R. W. Taylor be added to the audit committee to set salaries for Middle East College.

E. D. HERTOGS - FURLOUGH TO ENGLAND

VOTED, To confirm the action of the Trans-Africa Division, that the E. D. Hertogs family be granted furlough in 1971 to England. It is understood that fares for the entire family be paid unless there has already been assistance given on the fares of the children who are studying at Stanborough school.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

January 5, 1971

(Note: This action was discussed in the officers' meeting and was, however, approved individually by each officer on the morning of January 5.)

TANZANIA UNION AND CENTRAL AFRICAN UNION - SHARING OF AIRPLANE

VOTED, To recommend to the Tanzania Union that they take official action recognizing and confirming former agreements with regard to the use of the airplane to the effect that it will be made available to the Central African Union for a period of seven full days each month, exclusive of travel time, and that a fixed week each month throughout the year be agreed upon mutually by the two unions. It is understood that when such action has been recorded by the Tanzania Union and confirmed by the Afro-Mideast Division and the Trans-African Division committees, the budget for the pilot now held by the Trans-African Division will be transferred to the Afro-Mideast Division.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

January 6, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

ETHIOPIAN UNION - ADVANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WORKER HOME

WHEREAS the Ethiopian Union is confronted with the need for housing for the Union Educational Secretary and

WHEREAS the cost of renting quarters would amount to 3000.00 to 4000.00 Ethiopian dollars annually, it is

RECOMMENDED, That the Ethiopian Union be permitted to advance E\$ 4,000.00 to Pastor Nagassa to assist him with the construction of a house. Repayment is to be made in an amount equivalent to the monthly travel and home owner's allowances until the full advance is repaid.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

**OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION**

January 10, 1971                      12:15 A.M.

**PRESENT: M. E. Lind, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs**

**EAST AFRICAN UNION - PURCHASE OF ACCOUNTING MACHINE**

**VOTED,** To approve the request of the East African Union and grant from Section II savings up to Shs. 10,000 to be added to the Shs. 20,000 listed in the 1971 special appropriations, to be used in the purchase of a used NCR "31" accounting machine for the Union office.

**Adjourned.**

**M. E. Lind, Chairman**

**R. L. Jacobs, Secretary**

**OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION**

January 12, 1971

**PRESENT:** M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

P. HOWE - Relief SERVICE

RECOMMENDED, That a cable be sent to Roy F. Williams to the effect that no request has been lodged with us for the relief services of Dr. P. Howe of P.U.C. at Bugema College.

WARREN ZORK - EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

RECOMMENDED, That it be ascertained if the call for Warren Zork has been sent forward to him. If it has not been sent on from The General Conference, it is requested that it be held up until further notice. A reply by cable is requested.

BANK ACCOUNTS

VOTED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division the following:

To authorize the Middle East Union to operate the account presently in the name of the Middle East Division in the British Bank of the Middle East and that R. C. Darnell, Rafic Issa, and C. E. Schmidt be authorized to operate this account.

To authorize the opening of a payroll account for the A.M. Division in the First National City Bank, Beirut with C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg authorized to operate.

To advise the First National City Bank that the signature of Rafic Issa should no longer be recognized on the Division account.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

January 14, 1971 8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by M. E. Lind

R W TAYLOR - LIAISON FOR MONTHLY "REVIEW AND HERALD"

RECOMMENDED, That R W Taylor serve as liaison man for the monthly edition of the "Review and Herald" to be published in England.

BRITISH BANK ACCOUNT - EAST MEDITERRANEAN FIELD

RECOMMENDED, That the East Mediterranean Field be authorized to operate a bank account in the British Bank of the Middle East with R. D. Pifer, George Yared, and Rafic Issa being empowered to sign cheques on this account.

BENGHAZI COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDED, That R. C. Darnell and C. E. Schmidt be authorized to attend the Benghazi Compensation Committee to be held on January 19 - 20, 1971.

GEORGE NEHME - MISSIONARY LICENSE

RECOMMENDED, That George Nehme be issued a Missionary License.

GENE JOHNSON - ADVANCE

VOTED, To authorize the treasury Department to advance Gene Johnson an amount equal to his rehabilitation allowance provided it is approved by the General Conference Treasury Department.

CLASS B - SETTLEMENT NATIONAL WORKERS

VOTED, To recommend that D. K. Bazarra and Bekele Heye be given settlement in regard to their moves to Beirut in harmony with the new Division policy (granting 60% of weight allowance).

WORK PERMITS

VOTED, To recommend to the Middle East Union that care be exercised in the employment of workers for whom work permits are required. Attention is especially called to Middle East Press employee who is from Syria.

M. E. Lind, Chairman  
E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

January 25, 1971                      Beirut, Lebanon

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg.

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt

MIDYEAR COMMITTEE MEETING - DATE REVISION

RECOMMENDED, that the Midyear committee meeting of the Afro-Mideast Division commence at 3:00 P.M., May 6, 1971 and continue to May 12.

LEON THOMASSIAN - APPROVAL OF APARTMENT

RECOMMENDED, that Leon Thomassian receive approval for the apartment he has selected, rental of which will be LL 1,700.00 per year.

TANZANIA UNION - EVANGELISTIC FUNDS

Recommended, that Shs. 10,000.00 be made available from the Evangelistic Funds allocated for the Tanzania Union to make possible the holding of an effort by the Tanzania Union evangelist which is to be followed by a ministerial institute.

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Adjourned.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman, pro tem.

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

February 2, 1971                      Beirut, Lebanon                      8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer

EAST AFRICAN UNION - EMPLOYMENT MRS. AARON DENNIS AND MISS GWEN DAVIS

RECOMMENDED, that the East African Union be permitted to employ both Mrs. Aaron Dennis and Miss Gwen Davis for whom they have only one salary provision, provided that the Union re-imburse the Division in the amount of Shs. 1500.00 per month. This arrangement to be reviewed at the 1971 yearend meeting.

SAMUEL NASSIMIAN - TERMINATION INDEMNITY

RECOMMENDED, that Samuel Nassimian be permitted to repay his termination indemnity plus interest and thus be eligible for re-employment by the denomination with sustentation benefits accruing.

EVERETT PERRY - MISSIONS INSTITUTE AT ANDREWS

RECOMMENDED, that Mr. and Mrs. Everett Perry, under appointment to Wollega Academy, Ethiopia, be permitted to attend the Missions Institute at Andrews University, commencing June 15, 1971. It is understood that the Afro-Mideast Division's obligation for salary would commence on that date.

Adjourned.

Ray L. Jacobs, Chairman, pro tem.

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
February 14, 1971 Beirut, Lebanon

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

SHIRLEY BRANDT - VACATION TRAVEL

VOTED, To allow the actual cost of the ticket for Shirley Brandt from Denmark to Beirut at Christmas 1970 the same as other workers' children at Middle East College or Singapore.

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
February 19, 1971 Beirut, Lebanon 9:15 A. M.

PRESENT: Same as above.

By Invitation: Werber Johnson

EAU - SECTION II PETTY CASH

AGREED, That instead of continuing with a Section II Bank account operated by the East African Union, a petty cash be authorized to cover emergencies having to do with Section II workers.

EAU - RELIEF DOCTORS PAID FROM SECTION II FUNDS

AGREED, To approve in principle the paying of national relief physicians from Section II funds, but that it be understood that in case of anticipated emergency requiring the employment of national doctors, Division approval be secured.

R D PIFER - CHANGE TO CLASS A

AGREED, To authorize R. D. Pifer to change from Class B to Class A, and further

To modify our former understanding and grant R D Pifer the usual Class B freight allowance for unused freight in his move from Kampala to Beirut.

A E ANDERSON - EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

AGREED, That A E Anderson's son Daniel be brought out to Ethiopia from Rio Lindo Academy where he is studying under the provisions of the regular furlough policy, and that once he is in the field, the new policy covering the education of children of Inter-Division workers apply.

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
February 24, 1971 8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

ED BARTON - FUTURE

Consideration was given to letters from L. C. Robinson to M. E. Lind dated February 18 and 19, 1971 and from Ed Barton to R. D. Spear (in USA) dated January 3, 1971. In view of the information contained, it was

AGREED, To recommend to the Tanzania Union that action be taken recommending a permanent return for Ed Barton, and that he not be considered for reassignment within the Afro-Mideast Division.

EAU - ACCOUNTING MACHING

AGREED, That if the AMD statement for 1970 indicates that the financial situation of the Division permits, the commitment made by the former administration of the EAU of Shs. 25,000 for an accounting machine will be honored.

GENE JOHNSON - SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Gene Johnson has indicated that a sudden change from Class A to B was made just before he was ready to leave his home to come to the Middle East College, requiring him to sell household items at a loss; that he was charged \$520.00 for excess freight approximately two years after he arrived in the field; and that his house was not fully furnished, requiring him to purchase items to furnish it on arrival in the field. It was

VOTED, To grant an ex-gratia allowance of \$300.00 (LL 975.00) to assist Gene Johnson in his losses.

R. H. HENNING - INDUSTRIAL ARTS CLASS IN BOS

VOTED, To approve the request of the Beirut Overseas School for R. H. Henning to teach the Industrial Arts Class which meets for two hours each Thursday afternoon. This is for the school year 1971 which ends in June.

*granted  
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BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - SOLICITATION CAMPAIGN

The BOS has entered into a student campaign to raise funds for books, play, and teaching equipment by writing to friends outside the Division territory, without the knowledge of the Division. Since this is in direct violation of General Conference Policy (GC WP 242, 243) it was

AGREED, To inform the principal of the BOS, George Unger, that the Division officers are disturbed on learning of this solicitation campaign, and request that students refrain from further solicitation outside of the AMD.

BOS - TWELVE GRADES OFFERED FOR THE 1971-72 SCHOOL YEAR

Inasmuch as three students from Inter-Division families are planning to take the twelfth grade in the BOS the coming school year, it was

AGREED, To authorize the Beirut Overseas School to offer twelve grades for the 1971-72 school year.

Meeting suspended and resumed at 2:45 P.M. with prayer by M.E. Lind.

EAU - ASSISTANCE ON SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BOOKS FOR WORKERS

The EAU purchased 25 sets of the Spirit of Prophecy books for their workers with the understanding that the worker, the EAU, and the Division share on a 50/25/25 per cent basis. The Division share would be \$703.12.

AGREED, To grant a special assistance of \$703.12 to the EAU to assist workers in the purchase of Spirit of Prophecy books. Charge to be made to the Contingency Fund.

A. N. BARLAS - INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

AGREED, To approve the request of the former Cyprus Section to assist A. N. Barlas with 75% of his income tax paid for the year 1965 and the first six months of 1966 (previous to his retirement), in harmony with the former MED Policy (MED 66/67).

SPECIAL AMD PROJECTS

AGREED, To list the following special projects for the AMD:

Ethiopia - New Mission Station on Ethiopian/Sudanese border:

Dwelling	\$ 10,00	
Clinic	5,000	
Clinic Equipment	3,000	
School	3,000	
Church	<u>4,000</u>	\$25,000.00

(From preceeding page)		\$ 25,000.00
East Africa - Portable Tabernacle for Evangelism		15,000.00
Tanzania - Work for the Massai:		
Mobile Unit	\$10,000	
Evangelist & Espenses:	<u>1,500</u>	11,500.00
Middle East -		

KILIMANJARO CHRISTIAN MEDICAL CENTER

AGREED, To inform the General Conference that the only funds held by the AMD for the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center are the following:

Reserve transferred from the TAD	\$20,213.98
1971 Special Appropriation	<u>10,000.00</u>
Total	\$30,213.98

These funds are being held for this project, and are available awaiting the appropriate directive from the General Conference, but it is not possible for the AMD to generate funds for a second budget.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

March 1, 1971 3:30 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

D. C. LUDINGTON, M. D. - RELEASE

AGREED, To inform the General Conference that we with regret must release D. C. Ludington, Jr., M. D., presently completing a residency in orthopedics in Louisville, Kentucky, since we have no opening for him within the Division due to his speciality and to his educational problems.

JACK BOHANNON - EXPENSE REPORT

AGREED, To approve the expense report presented by Jack Bohannon for his trip to Shiraz, Iran to sell and ship his personal effects, but to record our opinion that the report is very unusual in respect to amount and nature of items reported. Mrs. Bohannon's travel was not authorized, and therefore the travel expense is considered personal.

DEPRECIATION ADVANCES - E. J. GREGG, & J. W. WHITEHOUSE

AGREED, To advance to E. J. Gregg and J. W. Whitehouse the equivalent of two-years automobile depreciation for the purchase of automobiles.

ARABIC HYMNAL - COMMITTEE REPORT

AGREED, To record the decision of the Arabic Hymnal Committee to the effect that the time is not opportune to publish a new Arabic Hymnal.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary Pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

March 4, 1971      Beirut, Lebanon

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Grebb

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

BISHARA AZIA - SALARY ARRANGEMENT

VOTED, To authorize the treasury department to accept monthly charges from Ethiopia for the salary of Bishara Aziz who is employed there on a salary provision provided for a Section II worker, his rate to be according to policy. This arrangement to continue only through 1971.

ACCOUNTING MACHING ROOM - PROVISION FOR

VOTED, To authorize the remodelling of the first floor men's washroom to provide for an accounting machine room.

DIVISION COUNCIL - ACCOMODATIONS, ETC. FOR

VOTED, That M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, and C. E. Schmidt be authorized to look into the matter of accommodations, etc. for the Division Council to be held in the Beirut area.

MARTHA HORN - SALARY RATE

VOTED, To set salary rate for Martha Horn at 84%.

GATEKEEPERS - RENT INCREASE DENIED

AGREED, To advise the gatekeepers that in view of prevailing rates it is regretted that no increase can be granted in respect to increased rent costs.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

March 8, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

O. C. BJERKAN - INVITATION MIDYEAR COMMITTEE

AGREED, That Dr. O. C. Bjerkan be invited to attend the mid-year committee meetings.

RON BETTLE, M.D. - DEFERRED APPOINTMENT

AGREED, That Dr. Ron Bettle be placed on deferred appointment for medical service in the Afro-Mideast Division.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE BOARD DATE

AGREED, That the Middle East College Board meet on Sunday, May 9, 1971 at 2:00 P.M.

G. BEDELLIAN - EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE

AGREED, That a special educational allowance of LL 25.00 per month be paid to G. Bedellian.

N. SEENYEN - MOVING ALLOWANCES

RECOMMENDED, That N. Seenyen be granted an outfitting allowance of \$400.00 and a freight allowance of 3,600 lbs if he is coming Class A, or 1,800 lbs if Class B, provided this meets the thinking of the officers of the EAU.

EU - VOICE OF YOUTH SERMONS

RECOMMENDED, That assistance be granted from Evangelistic Funds to the extent of 50% of the cost of Voice of Youth tracts for Ethiopia, the total being E\$ 500.00.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

**OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION**

March 15 Beirut, Lebanon

**PRESENT:** M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

**DIVISION COUNCIL & COMMITTEE - DATES**

AGREED, That the Division Council convene at 10 A. M. Thursday, October 28, 1971, and continue through Monday, November 1, with the Division yearend meetings commencing Tuesday morning, November 2.

**DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES - MEETING WITH OFFICERS**

AGREED, That a Council of Division Departmental Secretaries and officers of the Division be held September 30, 1971.

**DIVISION YEAREND COMMITTEE SCHEDULE**

AGREED, to adopt the following schedule for yearend committees:

Officers and Union Presidents - Tuesday, November 2

Middle East College Board - Thursday, November 3

**BURSARY STUDENTS - SPONSORSHIP**

AGREED, To adopt the following plan for giving aid to the bursary students now studying in the United States:

George Khoury - Division  
 Samir Shahin -  $\frac{1}{2}$  by Division  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  by East Med. Field  
 Issa Kharma - EMF - Lebanon Section  
 Henry Melki - Middle East College

**HOLIDAY TRAVEL ALLOWANCE**

AGREED, That the matter of special holiday travel allowances for workers at Heri be discontinued inasmuch as this was not covered by Division policy, and that the entire subject of assistance granted to workers located in isolated areas be studied.

LISSE, T. R. - SALARY

AGREED, That the AMD re-affirm the agreement of the officers with the TU officers to accept charges from the TU for the salary of T. R. Lisse for a period of three months. No other expenses and allowances are to be paid. It is also recommended that the members of the TU committee have a recommendation for the consideration of the Division midyear committee meeting.

SALARY BONUS - INTER-UNION WORKERS

VOTED, To recommend to the AMD Policy Committee the proposed policy on salary bonus and transfer of funds for inter-union workers.

R. H. HENNING - ATTEND TRI-DIVISION PUBLISHING COUNCIL

AGREED, That R. H. Henning be authorized to attend the Tri-Division Publishing Council to be held in Stockholm in August. It is understood that the cost of this trip be a charge against his regular budget.

POWER OF ATTORNEY - AUTHORIZE SIGNATURE FOR ANTAH PROPERTY

AGREED, To authorize C. E. Schmidt to sign necessary documents pertaining to the transfer of property being donated by Mrs. Antah to the church.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      March 22, 1971      2:30 P. M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

By Invitation: A. H. Brandt, R. H. Henning

Prayer was offered by R. H. Henning.

EU CALL - TEACHER OF EDUCATION

VOTED, To recommend that a call be placed for a replacement teacher of Education for Ethiopian Adventist College.

EZMA - CALL FOR NURSING INSTRUCTOR

VOTED, To recommend that a call be placed for a replacement instructor for the school of nursing at the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital.

AFRICAN HERALD PUBLISHING HOUSE - EDITOR

VOTED, To advise the EAU that we do not consider it wise to call F. G. Reid to serve as editor of the AHPH.

W. M. WEBSTER - FURLOUGH PLANS

VOTED, To acquiesce in W. M. Webster's request that he be allowed to attend the Division Council in Beirut and the EAU yearend meeting, on the understanding that no additional travel expense is involved. It is also agreed that if he attends these meetings and works during the interim between meetings, that his furlough would be extended to January 31, 1972.

SUSTENTEES - MEDICAL REPORTS

VOTED, To authorize settlement of medical expenses submitted by Diamond Ashod. The amount to which he is entitled according to policy is \$112.82.

VOTED, To authorize settlement of medical expenses submitted by Samuel Farag, total allowance being \$34.69.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

March 24 - April 5, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. G. Gregg

DR. LILLI ROLITA - AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT

In harmony with counsel received from Roy F. Williams (Letter dated March 22, 1971), it was

VOTED, To authorize the Ethiopian Union to invite Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peter Rolita, who are presently serving at the Ile-Ife Hospital in Nigeria, on a volunteer basis, to come to Dessie where they have indicated their desire to work, it being understood that when they have begun their work in Dessie, their status as Inter-Division workers will be established on the following basis:

1. He will sign a disclaimer for sustentation benefits, since his age prevents him from being eligible.
2. Dr. Lilli Rolita will be eligible for sustentation for her service, in harmony with the policy.
3. They will be reimbursed for their transfer from Nigeria to Dessie in harmony with the policy for Inter-Division workers.

RELIEF PHYSICIAN - ISHAKA

VOTED, To authorize the General Conference to secure a further temporary replacement for Ishaka Hospital.

MRS. JAMES SEGAR - CALL AS SECRETARY AMD OFFICE

RECOMMENDED, That Mrs. Segar be invited to serve as a secretary (part time) in the Division office if she is available.

GOVERNMENT CONTACTS - MADE BY AUTHORIZED PERSONS ONLY

VOTED, To advise all denominational organizations in the Beirut area that we consider it essential, in order to maintain good relations with the government, that all representations in respect of church matters be made only by those authorized to make such approaches. It is recommended that the officers of the various organizations be called together as soon as possible to agree upon the one or ones to make such contacts.

KENNETH OSTER - CAR DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To authorize automobile depreciation advance to Kenneth Oster, equivalent of two years.

Others present by invitation: R. C. Darnell, George Ghazal, Rafic Issa, Manoug Nazirian, R. D. Pifer, Ignatius Yacoub, George Yared

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS - DEPUTATION NAMED TO APPROACH

RECOMMENDED, That a deputation consisting of the following:

George Ghazal  
A H Brandt  
Ray L Jacobs  
Ignatius Yacoub  
George Yared

be asked to approach the Ministry of Social Affairs on behalf of the Afro-Mideast Division for the purpose of acquainting the Ministry with the character of the new Division organization.

WORK PERMITS - COMMITTEE TO PROCESS

RECOMMENDED, That a special committee consisting of a representative from each of the employing church bodies in the Lebanon area be set up to process all applications for work permits. The composition:

C. E. Schmidt  
George Ghazal  
George Yared  
George Nehme  
Rafic Issa  
Boutros Ghazal

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

M. E. Lind, Chairman  
E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

April 7, 1971

Beirut, Lebanon

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

Items discussed without formal action:

Hotel Rodin for Division Council  
H. Marshalian  
C. F. Adams, re: survey of MEP  
Filipino salaries

COMMERCIAL VACUUM CLEANER - MEC

VOTED, To authorize the Middle East College to purchase a commercial vacuum cleaner, it being understood that the AMD will bear 75% of the cost.

R W TAYLOR - WASHING MACHINE

VOTED, That if no way is found to eliminate the odor from the washing machine in the Taylor house, a new one should be purchased.

BRENDA COWLES - SUMMER HOLIDAYS

VOTED, To authorize Brenda Cowles to return home for the summer holidays in harmony with the policy.

R L JACOBS - FURLOUGH

VOTED, To accept the offer of R. L. Jacobs to take a two-months furlough, May 24 - July 26, 1971, with the third month being allowed in 1972.

DIVISION COUNCIL REPRESENTATION

VOTED, To inform the unions of the proposal for the 1971 Division Council which is to be presented for approval to the midyear committee, so that the union presidents may come to this meeting with suggestions for representation from their respective unions.

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The representatives to the Afro-Mideast Division Council shall be selected on the following basis:

1. The members of the Afro-Mideast Division Committee.
2. One member from the Middle East College.
3. One member from each Union Mission.
4. One member for each 7,500 members or major fraction thereof above 52,500.
5. One member of each 10,000 members or major fraction thereof above 52,500.
6. The basis for all calculation shall be the 1971 March statistics.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

April 13, 1971

Beirut, Lebanon

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

UNION SESSIONS - REPRESENTATION

VOTED, To recommend to the midyear meeting of the Division a uniform plan of representation of local fields at union sessions.

(Working Policy Proposals SS-1)

FIELD SESSIONS - REPRESENTATION

VOTED, To recommend to the midyear committee meeting of the Division the plan for membership representation at local field sessions.

(See Working Policy Proposals SS-1)

Session held at 2:15 P.M.

DOCTOR D. MAOWAD - EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To authorize the employment of Dr. D. Maowad at Kendu Mission Hospital on a relief basis subject to EAU approval. Dr. Waowad is an Egyptian by birth, now of French citizenship. For a number of years he was connected with the Libyan Government Health Department which was responsible for the certification of medical personnel, and was in contact with our Benghazi personnel. It is understood that he adheres to many SDA principles, ie. non-smoking, non-drinking though he is not a member of the church. He and his wife are highly recommended by Pastor Minne Koopmans of the Montpelier church. He lacks surgical qualifications, is 67 years of age, and is willing to serve for one year.

Session held April 13, at 2:30 P. M. Prayer by E. J. Gregg.

J. H. SEQUIERA - STATUS

WHEREAS, J. H. Sequiera, a displaced person, originally went to the U.S.A. at his own expense to establish domicile there and was later called out to East Africa before having completed these requirements and the course of study in which he was engaged, and

J. H. SEQUIERA - STATUS (Continued)

WHEREAS, Brother Sequiera has been sponsored by the A. M. Division (E A Union) for advanced study and the fulfillment of the required residence period, it was

VOTED, To recommend to the General Conference that North America be recognized as the homeland of J. H. Sequiera and to record the fact that he has agreed in his letter dated April 4, 1971, addressed to M. E. Lind, to a further minimum period of five years' service in the EAU following the completion of his study program and the acquiring of his nationality status.

NOMINATIONS - COMMITTEE ON

VOTED, To recommend to the midyear meeting that the composition of the Committee on Nominations for the 1971 Division Council be as follows:

1. 2 representatives from each union
2. One representative from Middle East College
3. One Division Departmental Secretary
4. Three Division officers
5. Two General Conference representatives
6. That the Division President serve as chairman of the committee.

INTERVIEWS AND COMMITTEE - SCHEDULES

VOTED, To approve the schedules for interviews and committee meetings at the midyear meetings as presented.

Meeting held April 15, 1971 at 2:15 P.M. Prayer by M. E. Lind

MED POLICY APPLIED - GEORGE KHOURY, ISSA KHARMA, SAMIR SHAHIN

VOTED, That George Khoury, Issa Kharma, and Samir Shahin, now studying at Andrews, be dealt with in harmony with the former MED policy regarding advanced study by workers.

ADVANCED STUDY - POLICY

VOTED, That we recommend to the committee that a policy patterned after the former MED policy governing advanced study by workers be approved for the Afro-Mideast Division.

GEORGE KHOURY - TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

VOTED, To allow George Khoury two weeks following graduation on June 6, at AU, to visit relatives, to attend a campmeeting in the Columbia Union, and to gain information regarding stewardship work.

M. E. Lind, Chairman  
E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon April 19, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

O. C. BJERKAN - EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

VOTED: To grant assistance equivalent to \$400.00 for Knute Bjerkan, son of O. C. Bjerkan, for the 1970 - 1971 school year. This is on the basis of expenses being approximately two-thirds of U. S. expenses and there being no work opportunities.

KNUT BJERKAN - SUMMER VACATION

VOTED, To grant a return journey from Norway to Ethiopia for Knut Bjerkan during the summer of 1971.

H. SALZMANN - EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR CHILDREN

VOTED, To grant the following educational assistance to H. Salzmann:

Bernard: 50% discount on tuition at <sup>granted by</sup> Andrews University  
\$600 educational scholarship  
One paid return trip each two years

Christian: (Studying at Collonges)

- a. The same allowances as Trans-Mediterranean Division gives for workers whose children study there
- b. The Division will bring him out in 1971, with one paid trip each two years, OR an annual trip with the amount allowed being equivalent to a round trip to Beirut.

HARLEY BRESEE - CANCEL TU TRIP

VOTED, To inform TAD that Elder Harley Bresee will be unable to be in Dar es Salaam at yearend, due to plans in the Middle East Union.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon April 27, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

WERBER JOHNSON - EXTENSION OF ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To invite Elder Werber Johnson to remain an additional three months to cover the period until the arrival of Thomas Staples.

KIREKA GUESTHOUSE - EAU

VOTED, To authorize the EAU and the Uganda Field to deal directly with the Trans-Africa Division with respect to the questhouse at Kireka.

J. T. KNOPPER - CAR DEPRECIATION

VOTED, To advise J. T. Knopper that car depreciation during his furlough can be applied toward the cost of a rental car.

TU - CEILING OF PRESIDENT'S HOUSE

VOTED, To authorize the TU to replace the ceiling in the house of the president and that they be requested to supply information concerning costs.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

May 3, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

WERBER JOHNSON - REIMBURSEMENT

VOTED, To reimburse Werber Johnson for the equivalent of the social security which he does not feel free to accept in view of the government regulations.

May 14, 1971

PRESENT: All regular members.

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

R. R. NICKELL - FURLOUGH RECOMMENDED

RECOMMENDED, That R. R. Nickell be granted his furlough as already voted.

May 17, 1971

PRESENT: All regular members.

Prayer by M. E. Lind.

JACK THOMPSON - CALL

VOTED, To recommend that the General Conference be instructed to proceed with the appointment of Jack Thompson to Ikizu.

IGNATIUS YACOUB - SALARY SHARED WITH MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE

VOTED, To recommend that the Division bear 50% of the salary of Ignatius Yacoub plus car depreciation, *and insurance beginning May 1, 1971*

MRS. K. OSTER - SALARY RATE

VOTED, That the salary for Mrs. K. Oster be set at 85%.

MEDICAL POLICY - HEALTH INSURANCE, BLUE CROSS

VOTED, To advise overseas workers that they may report as medical expense health insurance premiums, eg. Blue Cross, it being understood that only those medical expenses that are not covered by insurance are reportable.

JOSEPH KHOURY - FREIGHT ALLOWANCE

RECOMMENDED, That the allowance for freight for Dr. Joseph Khoury be increased to compensate for the full 3,000 lbs. weight he was assured by the Western Transport Office would be granted him.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - BOARD

RECOMMENDED, to the Inter-Division workers' committee that the following constitute the Board for the Beirut Overseas School:

A. H. Brandt, Chairman  
 George Unger, Secretary  
 Bekele Heye  
 O. C. Bjerkan  
 R. L. Jacobs  
 Mrs. E. Henning

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - FACULTY 1971 - 1972

RECOMMENDED, That the BOS faculty for 1971 - 1972 be as follows:

George Unger  
 Mrs. A. H. Brandt  
 Mrs. Harley Bresee (parttime)  
 E. B. Barton  
 Mrs. Hugh Cowles

Teacher for typing and home economics to be decided.

ANTAR YACOUB - CUSTOMS CHARGES

VOTED, To advise Antar Yacoub that the General Conference policy does not provide for the reimbursement of customs charges for goods taken to the homeland on permanent return.

GEORGE UNGER - GARDEN COMPENSATION

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to settle with George Unger for any expenditures he has incurred in the garden plot which he is asked to vacate.

May 19, 1971

PRESENT: All regular members.

J. T. BRADFIELD - CALL TO SOLUSI

WHEREAS Elder Merle Mills of the Trans-Africa Division has sought permission to call J. T. Bradfield as principal of Solusi College, it was

Please see next page

AGREED, To permit the call to go through to J. T. Bradfield on the understanding that if required, he remain at Bugema until the close of the present school year.

The officers gave consideration to a possible replacement for Elder Bradfield. A name has been conveyed to Elders Roginson and Henri for their consideration.

J. C. HAMER - EX GRACIA ALLOWANCE

VOTED, To grant an ex gracia allowance of \$250.00 to J. C. Hamer in view of the loss he sustained by selling his goods in anticipation of a permanent return which has now been changed.

Second session on May 19, 1971

PRESENT: All regular members

By Invitation: Bekele Heye, R. W. Taylor, Ignatius Yacoub

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

WORKING POLICY - DIVISION STAFF SUPPLEMENT

VOTED, To approve the Division Staff policies as presented and on file in the Secretary's office.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS FOR DIVISION STAFF

RECOMMENDED, That the following public holidays be granted:

New Years' Day  
 Good Friday and Easter Monday  
 Labor Day (May 1)  
 Independence Day  
 Christmas (December 24, 25, 26)  
 Martyrs' Day

ALLOWANCES TO BE GRANTED DIVISION STAFF

RECOMMENDED, That the following allowances be granted the members of the Division staff:

Authorized cars - LL 125.00  
 Unauthorized cars - 30.00  
 Road license - 50%  
 Mileage rates - 11 piasters per km.  
 Unauthorized - 150% of authorized rates

An advance of LL 3,000 on car depreciation may be made to workers authorized to operate motor cars. Should assistance be required on subsequent purchases, advances may be made but interest of 4% which will be charged on the original principle of the advance, will be charged.

*or 75% of price of car  
 whichever is lower*

DIVISION STAFF SUPPLEMENT - AMD WORKING POLICY  
Approved by Enlarged Officers Meeting, May 17, 1971

HOLIDAYS

The following paid holidays shall be granted members of the Division staff:

New Year's Day	1	January 1
Good Friday & Easter Monday	2	April
Labor Day	1	May 1
Martyrs' Day	1	May 6
Independence Day	1	November 22
Christmas	3	December 24, 25, 26

AUTOMOBILE POLICY

The following categories of workers on the Division staff shall be granted authorized automobiles: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Departmental Secretaries. Others who own and use cars shall be granted LL 30.00 per month, in addition to liability insurance coverage.

The mileage rate for authorized cars shall be LL 0.11 per km. The rate for unauthorized cars when used for approved official business, shall be 1½ times the regular rate.

The depreciation rate shall be LL 125.00 per month.

Workers and the Division will share equally the expense of road tax.

On approval of the Division officers, an advance of up to LL 3,000.00 may be granted for the purchase of an authorized automobile, it being understood that this advance shall not exceed 75% of the purchase price of the car. This is to be considered as an advance on depreciation. On subsequent loans, which may be made if funds are available, an interest at 4% per annum on the principal will be charged, effective June 1, 1971.

EQUIPMENT ALLOWANCE

Division departmental secretaries and officers may be granted an equipment allowance equal to 50% of the cost of equipment approved by the Division officers, up to a maximum of LL 150.00 per year. In the case of expensive equipment a worker may be granted the allowance for two years.

LUGGAGE ALLOWANCE

A luggage allowance of LL 100.00 per year shall be granted to Division officers and departmental secretaries. (Credited to account June 30. No report required.)

#### BOOK AND JOURNAL ALLOWANCE

Division officers and departmental secretaries may be granted a book allowance equal to 50% of the amount spent for books and journals, based on receipted bills, up to a maximum of LL 100.00. Books shall be of such a nature as to develop the worker in his chosen calling or particular field of labor. Benefits under this policy do not apply to books and journals subsidized under other policies.

#### UTILITIES ALLOWANCE

Workers shall be granted a utilities allowance on the following basis:

1. The worker shall pay the equivalent of the first LL 150.00 (LL 115.00 for single workers) of their total utility bills including fuel, gas, electricity, and water.
2. The balance shall be shared equally by the employing organization and the worker. The maximum allowance shall be LL 650.00 per year.
3. The worker must submit receipted bills for all utility expense when claiming a utility allowance. Bills may be submitted as of June 30, and December 31, each year.

May 20, 1971

PRESENT: All regular members

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

R. J. BURGESS - TRAVEL OUTSIDE DIVISION

RECOMMENDED, That approval be granted to R. J. Burgess to travel to England for publishing department consultation regarding Amharic edition of "The Bible Story." It is understood that free air transportation has been made available.

WILLIAM MEYER - AVSC

RECOMMENDED, That counsel be sought from the East African Union regarding the need for William Meyer, who is recommended by the General Conference for six months service on the Volunteer Service Corps basis.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE

VOTED, To agree that educational allowances be granted for children of workers who attend the Beirut Overseas School, effective January 1, 1971.

SECRETARIAL DUTIES - DURING ABSENCE OF R. L. JACOBS

VOTED, That during the absence of R. L. Jacobs while on furlough, the secretarial duties will be looked after by

M. E. Lind - May 24 - June 13

C. E. Schmidt - June 13 - July 26

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon May 23, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg  
C. E. Schmidt

By Invitation: Bekele Heye

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt

R. H. MILLS - QUESTION REGARDING PERMANENT RETURN

WHEREAS, further cables have been received from both the GC and R. H. Mills concerning his permanent return, it was

VOTED, To advise the GC that the Division Committee did not hastily take action but that the decision was based on the counsel of the Ethiopian and the Division Medical Secretaries. It was further

VOTED, To send TELEX messages to Ethiopia and the GC as follows:

ATT PALM

GC CABLES WE WILL NOT CONSIDER PERMANENT RETURN MILLS UNTIL PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS ARE PROCESSED STRONGLY RECOMMEND YOU DEFER DECISION UNTIL THEN ALSO STOP

BOB MILLS CABLES DOCTORS SAY MY CONDITION PERMIT NORMAL RETURN IN 3 months PLEASE ADVISE MY EMPLOYMENT STATUS STOP

RECOMMEND YOU BOCKOVOY DIAMOND DISCUSS SITUATION THEN PHONE DOCTOR SHEFFIELD NAIROBI STOP GREGG ARRIVING FLIGHT DAY FOR AUDITING AND COUNSEL STOP

CABLE YOUR FIRM RECOMMENDATIONS BEIRUT BASED ON MEDICAL OPINION

LIND

ATT WILLIAMS

PERPLEXED AND HUMBLED YOUR REFUSAL ACCEPTING RECOMMENDATION MILLS PERMANENT RETURN BASED ON HIGHEST UNION AND DIVISION MEDICAL OPINION STOP HAVE CONVEYED YOUR DECISION ETHIOPIA STOP GREGG AUDITING THERE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COUNCIL STOP AWAITING THEIR REPLY STOP

BUGEMA ANXIOUS TO HAVE WILLIAM MEYERS AVSC

JACOBS

M. E. Lind, Chairman  
E. J. Gregg, Secretary

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OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

May 26, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer: M. E. Lind

CYRUS OSTER - RETURN FARE FROM ANDREWS UNIVERSITY TO BEIRUT

VOTED, To agree to pay the cost of return fare for Cyrus Oster from Andrews University to Beirut in harmony with the policy provided that the terms of the policy are adhered too, i.e., payment will be made after the parents are in the field one year and the visit in Beirut a minimum of six weeks' duration.

*Paid June 24, 72 \$646.00*

POLITICAL SITUATION - TANZANIA

WHEREAS, Word from our leaders in Tanzania and news in the world press indicates that the political situation in Tanzania is increasingly unstable, and it might be necessary for all Inter-Division workers to withdraw from the country, it was

AGREED, That in case such a situation should develop the TU administration have ready sealed instructions directing a care-taker administration on procedures to be followed, suggesting the following names:

- S. D. Otieno
- R. C. Megera
- Y. Lusingu
- Z. Bina

These to look after the work until proper elections can be held or the Division or General Conference can appoint a representative committee to direct the work in Tanzania.

RECOMMENDED, Also that L. C. Robinson, presently on furlough, be kept informed of the situation in Tanzania.

M. E. Lind, Chairman  
 E. J. Gregg, Secretary



Second session on May 26, 1971 at 3 p.m.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer offered by: M. E. Lind

MRS. AGNES GUNDERSEN - COMPENSATE LIVING EXPENSES

AGREED, To grant Mrs. Agnes Gundersen an amount of Shs. 1200/- to compensate her for added expenses while living apart from her husband for 303 days in 1969-70-71.

*Paid*

APRIL & CHERRY VAN TASSEL - TRAVEL EXPENSES

AGREED, To consider the travel expenses of April and Cherry Van Tassel from Addis Ababa to Bogenhofen Seminary in Austria and on to Portland, Oregon as part of the permanent return travel for the Van Tassel family. The parents have been voted a permanent return effective in July, 1971.

By invitation: R. C. Darnell

Elder Darnell presented a number of items related to the Middle East Union as follows:

SCREENING COMMITTEE

MEU suggest the screening committee also be charged with the co-ordination of the application of policies so that all organizations in the area go in the same direction. It was

AGREED, That this responsibility be added to the terms of reference of the committee appointed to screen applications for work permits.

ASSISTANCE WITH INCOME TAX

Elder Darnell reported that the Union Committee had discussed the matter of assistance with income tax. It was

AGREED, That we should recommend that the matter of implementing such a policy be deferred until the beginning of 1972.

AUTOMOBILE POLICY

Elder Darnell reported on the attitude of his committee toward the automobile policy, i.e., depreciation categories and rates. They felt to eliminate the Land Rover and Peugeot 404 categories.

MIDDLE EAST UNION report (continued)

LITERATURE PROGRAM

One problem in this area is the slowness in moving subscription books -- the Press unable to carry the inventories for long periods of time.

CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL LESSONS

Financing?  
Revision of some courses and the adding of new ones.  
Union operated Bible Correspondence School or on field level?

MINISTERIAL INTERNSHIP PLAN

1st year	Union 2/3
	Local 1/3
2nd year	Union 1/3
	Local 2/3

If during these two years the young worker shows promise of becoming a fruitful worker, the field would provide for the full support.

RECOMMENDED, That the Division support the Union with the 2/3 support in 1971-72 and that the plan be presented to the year-end (1971) meetings for preparation of a Division policy.

RADIO MONTE CARLO

MEU feels that this station would be preferable to Cyprus and should be investigated.

STUDENT COLPORTEUR SCHOLORSHIP PLAN

MEU feels that the requirements for a scholarship are excessively high. They feel that it will militate against having very many student colporteurs.

LOCAL FIELD BUDGETS

Matter of LL 258,000 short of balanced budgets. Suggest study actual operations first Quarter in comparison to 1970.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

June 7, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

By Invitation: I. Yacoub, R. D. Pifer

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt

E. H. SEQUEIRA - CONSIDERED AS PRINCIPAL OF BUGEMA COLLEGE

News had been received that J. Bradfield, Principal of Bugema College had accepted the Presidency of Solusi College.

The EAU had by telegram recommended as Principal of Bugema College, the name of Brother E. H. Sequeira now studying for his B. Th. degree at Andrews University. It was

AGREED, that a person to head up Bugema at this stage more than at any other time in the College's history, must be capable and practical with good administrative talents as well.

Brother Sequeira who is a registered architect by profession, has been as SDA for 17 years with 5 years or more in the work in East Africa, and seems suitable for the position. It was

AGREED, to seek further counsel from Elder L. C. Robinson, President of the Tanzania Union, now en route to the USA on furlough and for the time being in Singapore, as well as the TU administration. The President of the Division was asked to communicate with both sources after which a decision would be made by the officers in the form of a call.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

Acting Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

June 9, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra

NICOLA YOUSSEF - ASSISTANCE IN MOVING

Nicola Youssif is our gateman. He recently moved to other rented quarters and does therefore not come under the Division Policy which states that if the Division requests a worker to move etc... then he is eligible to certain moving assistance. However, it was

AGREED, that on compassionate grounds to grant Brother Youssif the sum of LL 144. assistance in his moving.

DR. D. C. LUDGINGTON - RELEASED FROM RESIDENCY PLANS

AGREED, To again draw the attention of the General Conference to the fact that we are unable to employ Dr. D. C. Ludington and therefore must be released from his residency plans (See Officers' Minutes 71-54)

DR. GEORGE BENSON - INTERNSHIP PLAN

AGREED, To seek information from the General Conference regarding Dr. George Benson's internship plan.

F. MARTINSEN - EDUCATION OF CHILDREN

AGREED, to grant F. Martinsen (of Kamagambo) the equivalent of up to two trips, East Africa - Beirut, per year if he wishes to send his children to Helderberg College. Also to inform him that he will come under the AMD Educational Policy granting a discount of 25% for the first child, 35% for the second and 50% for the third child.

SITUATION IN TANZANIA

The situation in Tanzania was discussed. As developments in that country have a tendency of suddenly accelerating it was

AGREED, to permit the Tanzania Union to open an external account in shillings in Nairobi and further that permission be granted to TU to use any savings of Expatriate workers for current operation on the understanding that the necessary information be passed on to the Division Treasury so that a trust fund for such workers, who might agree to this arrangement, can be set up in the Division.

R. H. MILLS - QUESTION REGARDING PERMANENT RETURN

WHEARAS, having just received a letter from R. H. Mills in which he expresses surprise that the Division acted so soon on his permanent return and

that he would very much like to return to work in the Division, it was

AGREED, To inform Brother Mills that:

1. The news of his medical condition was passed on to us by the Ethiopian Union President, Elder H. Palm who came to Beirut in connection with the Midyear meetings.

2. The Ethiopian Union Overseas Committee took the following action:

VOTED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division that the furlough voted for R. H. Mills in N.E.D. 228, p. 81, and A.M.D. 70-90, be cancelled, and that he be granted a permanent return to the United States, effective as soon as possible, for health reasons.

3. The Division officers held the matter in abeyance until the Medical Secretary of the Division, Dr. Sheffield who is located in Nairobi, had had a chance of studying the x-ray and report on R. Mills.

4. After medical consultation word was passed on to Ethiopia by TELEX for Bro. Mills to remain until the 20th or so of May, but instead it was learned that he left on the 8th of May in spite of counsel to delay his departure so that the Division auditor could take over from him.

5. This hurried exit gave added weight to the urgency of the physical condition of Bro. Mills.

6. Upon medical recommendation the Division Committee took an action on May 6, for R. H. Mills to go on permanent return.

7. A nominating committee was then appointed.

8. The nominating committee only reported on May 9, and Brother L. G. Diamond was appointed Treasurer of the Ethiopian Union.

The Officers wish to restate that the only reason for recommending R. H. Mills for permanent return was based on the very best medical counsel available.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

Acting Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon August 1, 1971

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

CALCULATOR - AMD TREASURY

VOTED, To authorize the purchase of a Monroe Adding/Calculating machine for the AMD's accountant's office.

JACK THOMPSON - INDIA

VOTED, To recommend that Jack Thompson be permitted to proceed to India for the special leprosy rehabilitation course, with the understanding that his family remain in the homeland until he has completed the course.

JACK THOMPSON - CLASS B ALLOWANCES

VOTED, To recommend that the Jack Thompson family be granted the full Class B weight allowance normally granted a new appointee in view of the circumstances surrounding his former service in the Middle East and his current appointment to Heri Hospital in Tanzania.

Meeting held August 3, 1971, with same members present.

Prayer by E. J. Gregg.

R. KLINGER - FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

VOTED, To agree that the Division pay the cost of visas, vaccinations and transportation for R. Klinger, a sustentation beneficiary who has accepted an invitation to come out to Turkey.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman Pro Tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

August 11, 1971

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

UNION TREASURERS TO ATTEND DIVISION COUNCIL

VOTED, To recommend that the four Union treasurers be invited to attend the Division Council as delegates outside the membership basis. It is understood that when the implementation of this action permits the naming of an additional delegate, he shall be a national.

JACK THOMPSON - LEPER REHABILITATION TRAINING

VOTED, To approve that Jack Thompson take a special leper rehabilitation course offered in Ethiopia while en route to his appointment in the Tanzania Union.

Ray L. Jacobs, Chairman Pro Tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

Meeting held September 13, 1971 with actions as follows:

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

JACK THOMPSON - COURSE IN SWAHILI

VOTED, To recommend that Jack Thompson proceed with his family to Nairobi where he may enroll in a course for the Swahili language for a period of up to three months.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

September 21, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt..

R. M. BUCKLEY, M.D. - SPECIALITY GROUP

RECOMMENDED, That Dr. H. N. Sheffield be contacted with regard to Dr. Buckley's suggestion that he be permitted to join with a specialty group in Nairobi with office hours ~~three days a week~~.

D. R. L. ASTLEFORD - FURLOUGH ACTIVITIES

RECOMMENDED, That in addition to furlough activities for D. R. L. Astleford, (ID 71-11) he be allowed to study for one quarter at Andrews University with travel from Andrews to the homes of both parents by the most direct route. Travel to Jamaica is no longer necessary.

MINAS MEGURDITCHIAN - CAR AUTHORIZATION

RECOMMENDED, That the car of Minas Megurditchian be authorized.

GEORGE KHOURY - LOSS ON FURNITURE

VOTED, To reimburse George Khoury for losses on furniture while stored during his study leave to Andrews University. The amount voted is LL 464.00.

OFFICE FURNITURE - PURCHASE AUTHORIZED

VOTED, To approve the purchase of an office desk and an adding machine.

MEETING HELD FOLLOWING DIVISION COMMITTEE, Sept. 22, 1971 with same members present and

INVITED: J. A. Aikman, O. C. Bjerkan, R. C. Darnell

VOTED, That responsibility for the management and upkeep of the "Press Apartment Building" be assigned to the Middle East Press with it being understood that one overseas apartment be made available to the College for an overseas staff member. The small apartment on the lower level is to be considered as a guest apartment with the Middle East Union responsible for "guest" occupancy.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

September 26, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

MAINTENANCE/STORAGE - CONSTRUCTION

VOTED, To construct a room on the roof of the lower garage opposite the Division office to provide a maintenance workshop, thus making the lower garage available for an auto mechanics class.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon                      September 29, 1971

PRESENT:

R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

LONDA SCHMIDT - DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To give Miss Londa Schmidt a 2-year advance on car depreciation according to policy.

MRS. H. KALUSTYAN KALER - MEDICAL INSURANCE ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To apply the regular medical policy to Mrs. H. Kalustyan Kaler, a sustentee from Turkey residing in California, for social security medical insurance. Any medical expenses not covered by medicare shall be studied before granting any allowance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman Pro Tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon                      October 5, 1971

PRESENT:

R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. F. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - CHARGES PASSED THROUGH DIVISION

VOTED, To authorize the Beirut Overseas School to pass charges to the Division for patrons of the school who are denominational employees.

EDWARD SKORETZ - CAR DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To approve a two-year car depreciation advance to Edward Skoretz.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORTS - DISTRIBUTION

VOTED, That the Annual Statistical Reports published by the General Conference be distributed to the Division officers, Division departmental secretaries, Union officers, heads of Union institutions, and presidents of local fields.

TANZANIA UNION PUBLISHING SECRETARY

VOTED, To recommend to the Tanzania Union that if an overseas worker is not called as publishing department secretary, the appointment of a successor to J. T. Knopper should be made by the Union session rather than by the committee.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman Pro Tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

October 11, 1971

## PRESENT:

R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

MINISTER OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS - INTERVIEW

RECOMMENDED, That the available members of the committee together with those other individuals invited to form the delegation, be called together to discuss the items to be presented to the Minister of Social Affairs.

DIVISION COUNCIL - INVITATION TO SUSTENTEEES

VOTED, To invite the following sustentation beneficiaries who are currently in the Beirut area to attend the Division Council:

Shukri Nowfel  
Nashed Yacoub

SONG SHEET FOR DIVISION COUNCIL

VOTED, To authorize the preparation of a mimeographed song sheet for use during the coming Division Council.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman Pro Tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

October 12, 1971

## PRESENT:

R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

By Invitation: Ignatius Yacoub (first two items)

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

SCHOOL INSPECTION COMMITTEE - ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

RECOMMENDED, That the following be added to the Inspection Committees for schools in the Beirut area:

Beirut Overseas School	M. E. Lind or R. L. Jacobs
M.E. Secondary School	O. C. Bjerkan and R. D. Pifer
Mousseitbeh School	O. C. Bjerkan and R. D. Pifer
Nile Union Academy	The Field President
The Iran Schools	Harold Gray
The Iraq Schools	Hilal Doss

DIVISION COUNCIL - MEAL SCHEDULE

RECOMMENDED, That the noon and evening meals for delegates to the Division Council and Committee meeting be provided at the College, suggesting the following time schedule:

Noon Meal	1:00 o'clock
Evening Meal	6:30 o'clock

SAMUEL FARAG - MEDICAL ALLOWANCE IN U.S.A.

VOTED, To grant 50% of the regular medical allowance to Samuel Farag, a sustentee living in the U. S. A.

WIVES OF WORKERS - EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To recommend to the Division committee that workers whose wives carry a study program in a denominational school, be granted assistance to the extent of 25% of tuition and fees.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman Pro Tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



J. N. KYALE, ELISHA OKEYO - INCREASE BURSARY

VOTED, To authorize the treasury department to increase the living allowances for J. N. Kyale and Elisha Okeyo, bursary students at Philippine Union College from Shs. 617.50 to Shs. 850.00 per month, effective from July 1, 1971, and that for the period of July 1 to December 31, 1971 the cost of these increases be taken from the Division Contingency Fund.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

Meeting held October 19, 1971 at 3:30 P.M. With same members present.

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

MIDDLE EAST UNION OFFICE - TELEPHONE LINE

VOTED, To make available one internal line through the Division switchboard for the Middle East Union since the Union has been unable to secure an independent line.

WORK PERMITS

VOTED, To recommend that the Division officers with O. C. Bjerkan, J. A. Aikman, R. D. Pifer, and Ignatius Yacoub study the matter of names to be submitted to the Director of Labor in connection with the problem of work permits.

Meeting held October 20, 1971 at 11:15 A.M. With the same members present.

By invitation: J. A. Aikman, O. C. Bjerkan, R. C. Darnell, R. D. Pifer.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF LABOR - INTERVIEW

RECOMMENDED, To appoint R. C. Darnell, C. E. Schmidt, and Ignatius Yacoub to interview the Regional Director of Labor for Mt. Lebanon.

Dismissed by prayer offered by Ray L. Jacobs.

M. R. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

**PRESENT:**

M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE**

VOTED, To recommend to the committee that the following constitute the audit committee for the yearend committee meetings:

H. D. Johnson, Chairman	M. E. Lind
O. C. Bjerkan	M. S. Nigri
E. J. Gregg	C. E. Schmidt
Bekele Heye	H. N. Sheffield
R. L. Jacobs	

**MISSION EXTENSION OFFERING 1970 - AFRICAN HERALD PUBLISHING HOUSE**

VOTED, To recommend that the 1970 Mission Extension Offering be designated for the African Herald Publishing House.

Meeting held October 22, 1971 at 7:50 A.M. with same members present.

**DIVISION STAFF OR LOCAL ORGANIZATION - POLICIES**

VOTED, To recommend that those policies applicable only to the Division staff or to a local organization be recorded in the Minutes of the organization concerned or in the case of the Division, in the officers' meeting Minutes.

**POLICY AMENDMENTS:****ROAD LICENSE TABLED**

VOTED, That the question of the policy granting assistance with cost of automobile road license be tabled for further study.

**EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE**

VOTED, To recommend the policy on educational allowances for sustantation beneficiaries. (AMD WP 102)

**PROFESSIONAL MAGAZINES**

VOTED, To recommend the amendment to the policy on professional magazines.



NATIONAL WORKERS - RETURNING TO HOMELAND

VOTED, To recommend the amendment to the policy on National Workers Returning to Their Homeland. (AMD WP 86)

ADVANCED STUDY

VOTED, To recommend the amendment to the policy on Advanced Study by Workers. (AMD WP 88)

WAGE SCALE

VOTED, To recommend the Wage Scale and that it be included in the policy book.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

Meeting held October 25, 1971 with all members present. Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE - FINANCIAL SURVEY

VOTED, To request Dr. Walton J. Brown of the General Conference Department of Education, to conduct a financial survey of Middle East College in connection with the inspection of that institution.

UNION PRESIDENTS - INTERVIEWS

VOTED, That the meeting of the Union presidents with the Division officers be Wednesday evening, November 3, at 7:30 - 9:00 P.M. and that individual interviews be Thursday, November 4, beginning at 7:30 A.M.

GUIDED TOUR - COUNCIL DELEGATES

VOTED, To accept the offer made by Beirut Express to take the delegates on a guided tour, suggesting Tyre, Sidon, Beit Eddine, Dog River, and Byblos.

SPECIAL INVITATIONS TO COUNCIL

VOTED, To recommend to the Division Council that R. D. Pifer, Chafic Srour, as well as the sustentee Nashed Yacoub, be seated as delegates at large.

AFRICAN HERALD PUBLISHING HOUSE - DIVISION INSTITUTION

VOTED, To recommend to the Division committee that the African Herald Publishing House be made a Division institution.

SURVEY COMMISSION

VOTED, To recommend substitutions for the school heads on the survey commissions. List in hands of the secretary.

ANNUAL COMMITTEE - MODIFICATION OF DATE

VOTED, To begin the Annual Committee on Thursday afternoon, November 4, at 2:15 P.M. instead of Friday morning.

DIVISION HEADQUARTERS SURVEY COMMISSION

VOTED, To recommend to the Division committee that the following be named to the Division Headquarters Survey Commission appointed by the General Conference: Two institutional heads, O. C. Bjerkan, D. C. Swan; one departmental secretary, Bekele Heye.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

October 27, 1971

All members present.

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

ELSE S. CHRISTENSEN - KENDU

VOTED, To explore the possibility of Miss Else S. Christensen's serving as a sister tutor at Kendu Hospital.

KAMLY GHARIB - ASSIST IN COUNCIL

VOTED, To ask the departmental secretaries for whom Miss Kamly Gharib works to make her available to assist the Division Secretary during the period of the Council.

DIVISION COUNCIL - PHOTOGRAPH

VOTED, To authorize arrangements for an official Council photograph.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT POLICY BOOK - DISTRIBUTION

VOTED, To authorize distribution of the Publishing Department Policy Book to the following:

Division Officers  
 Division Departmental Secretaries  
 Union Officers  
 Union P. D. Secretaries  
 Field Officers  
 Field P. D. Secretaries  
 Publishing House Managers, Editors, and  
 Treasurers  
 College and Secondary School Administrators

STEERING COMMITTEE

VOTED, To hold a steering committee each morning at 7:30 during the Division Council and yearend meetings. The steering committee is to be comprised of the Division officers.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

November 11, 1971

All members present.

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs

FIXED EXCHANGE RATE - SHILLINGS

VOTED, To recommend to the General Conference that the fixed rates for East African Shillings be maintained at the 1971 level for the Tanzania, Kenya, and Uganda Shillings.

EXCHANGE GAINS - DISTRIBUTION

VOTED, That the increased funds resulting from this fixed rate adjustment be divided three ways between East African, Middle East, and Tanzania Unions.

UNION COMMITTEE DATES - 1972 REVISED

VOTED, To recommend that the 1972 yearend union committee dates be revised as follows:

Tanzania Union	December 1 - 7, 1972
East African Union	December 8 - 14, 1972
Ethiopia Union	December 14 - 19, 1972
Middle East Union	December 19 - 24, 1972

CHAFIC SROUR - EAST AFRICA CAMPMEETINGS

VOTED, To recommend to the Middle East Union that Chafic Srour be made available for campmeetings in Africa during the period of July - September, 1972.

SPRING IN TITHE - DAR-ES-SALAAM CHURCH

VOTED, That the Tanzania Union Spring in Tithe Reserve be allocated for a church building in Dar-es-Salaam.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

November 4, 1971

## PRESENT:

M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Union Presidents: R. C. Darnell, C. D. Henri, H. W. Palm,  
L. C. Robinson

From the General Conference: M. S. Nigri

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

ADVENTISTS ABROAD

VOTED, To recommend to the Division Committee that all fields in the Division be acquainted with the program "Adventists Abroad."

(Interview with L. C. Robinson of Tanzania)

BUSEGWE OFFICE BUILDING

VOTED, To look with favor on the idea of constructing a new office building at Busegwe for the Tanzania Union headquarters.

(Interview with H. W. Palm of Ethiopia)

EMPRESS ZAUDITU MEMORIAL HOSPITAL - STAFF HOUSING

VOTED, To look with favor on the possibility of erecting housing for the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital staff on the hospital grounds with financing to be obtained locally, to be repaid from hospital earnings.

ADDIS ABABA OVERSEAS SCHOOL - NINTH AND TENTH GRADES

VOTED, To look with favor on the idea of schooling for 9th and 10th grade students in Ethiopia and that the Ethiopian Union administration prepare estimates of needs, available students, and that Dr. W. J. Brown's counsel be obtained.

Meeting held November 15, 1971. Opened with prayer by M. E. Lind.

KILIMANJARO CHRISTIAN MEDICAL CENTER - HOUSE FOR DOCTOR

VOTED, To authorize the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center to use the funds supplied for a dwelling to purchase a house in Moshi rather than to build on the KCMC campus.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

November 4, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, Ray L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

J. W. WHITEHOUSE - FINANCIAL HELP FOR EFFORT

VOTED, To help J. W. Whitehouse with pay for a baby-sitter up to LL 325.00 during the time of the effort in Bekfaya because of the illness of his wife.

Meeting held on November 26, 1971.

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

MORRIS M. BOWEN - REQUEST FOR ADVANCE FOR PURCHASE OF CAR

AGREED, To approve the request of Morris M. Bowen (EZMH) for an advance for the purchase of a car, of Eth \$ 1,530.00, to be repaid at Eth \$ 90.00 per month. It is assumed that this car is authorized since the request was brought personally by L. G. Diamond.

Meeting held on December 24, 1971.PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

From Middle East College: O. C. Bjerkan, Ignatius Yacoub,  
George Ghazal

Prayer was offered by I. Yacoub.

VOTED, To send the following telex to Roy F. Williams of the General Conference Secretarial Department regarding the request of Henry Melki for employment clarification:

DIVISION OFFICERS AND MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE ADMINISTRATORS HAVE DISCUSSED MELKI EMPLOYMENT CLARIFICATION REQUEST STOP WE RE-AFFIRM COMMUNICATION SENT BY LIND AND BJERKAN THEIR LETTERS DECEMBER SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN RESPECTIVELY ASSURING EMPLOYMENT.

(Signed Lind Jacobs)

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

December 28, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

MEDICAL SECRETARY - A P BOKOVOY

VOTED, To recommend to the Division Committee that Dr. A. P. Bokovoy be recommended for appointment as Medical Secretary of the Division, replacing Dr. H. N. Sheffield who is going on permanent return.

E D HERTOGS - TERM OF SERVICE

AGREED, That E. D. Hertogs be informed that we do not see light in their returning for a partial term, and suggest that they remain in Britain if they do not come for a full term.

SALARY RATES - REVISIONS

VOTED, That the salary percentage figures for the following union officers be revised to the following figures:

F. K. Wangai	85%
S. D. Otieno	85%
R. C. Megera	85%

MARTHA HORN - CALL TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

VOTED, To advise the General Conference that due to the fact that both officers of the Ethiopian Union will be on furlough during 1972, we do not feel that Miss Martha Horn should be released until near the end of the year for the call to the General Conference.

IGNATIUS YACOUB - ADVANCED STUDY

VOTED, That we recommend that Ignatius Yacoub be granted overseas study leave beginning in 1973.

JACK THOMPSON - LEPER REHABILITATION COURSE

VOTED, To approve the travel of Jack Thompson from Heri to Addis Ababa for a special course at "Alert" and that the Division bear the cost (approximately Eth \$ 600.00) of his study and stay in Addis Ababa.

NEW YEAR'S DAY - HOLIDAY

VOTED, To grant Monday, January 3, 1972 as a holiday in place of New Year's Day which falls on Sabbath.

MASAI CLINIC AND MEDICAL LAUNCH - FINANCIAL PLAN

VOTED, To express to the East African Union and/or the Tanzania Union the concern of the Division officers regarding a clinic project in the Masai area of Kenya being built by a worker from the Tanzania Union with special donations secured by him from private sources, and further concerning the Medical Launch project for Lake Victoria requesting the Tanzania Union to formulate adequate plans for the support of this project including personnel and financial aspects of this project.

Meeting held December 29, 1971.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. I. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer by E. J. Gregg.

B L ELLINGWORTH - FUTURE

RECOMMENDED, That the East African Union be contacted with respect to the possibility of using B. L. Ellingworth to lead out in a Mittleider-type program at Bugema Adventist College or Kamagambo Secondary School.

NASSIM KHOURY - FINAL SETTLEMENT

RECOMMENDED, That assistance be granted to the Middle East Union equal to 50% of the final settlement to be paid to Nassim Knoury.

D C SWAN - FURLOUGH ACTIVITIES

RECOMMENDED, That D. C. Swan be granted permission to visit the American publishing houses during his furlough and that assistance be granted as follows:

Air fare Nairobi - San Francisco with stops at Nashville,  
Tennessee and Washington, D. C.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

December 30, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

CAR LOANS

VOTED, To approve car loans as follows:

T. H. Scoggins	E\$ 2,100.00
R. M. Buckley	Shs 7,500.00
E. J. Shidler	Shs 5,000.00

PENETRATION TRACT

RECOMMENDED, That the penetration tract by Fares Muganda be passed for publication following approval of the Reading Committee.

Meeting held December 31, 1971 with same members present and by invitation R. H. Henning.

Prayer by Ray L. Jacobs.

RADIO STUDIO EQUIPMENT

VOTED, To approve the purchase of the following studio equipment, provided further investigation proves these items adequate for the needs:

1	TEAC Professional Tape Deck	R - 760
1	TEAC Stereo Tape Deck # A 7030	

EAST MEDITERRANEAN FIELD RENT POLICY - SINGLE WORKERS

VOTED, To acquiesce to the request of the East Mediterranean Field to apply on a provisional basis a rent policy for single workers which they have adopted with the approval of the Middle East Union officers, it being understood that this item will be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Afro-Mideast Division plenary meeting.

BEKELE HEYE - SPECIAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To grant LL 300.00 to Bekele Heye as assistance in the unusual medical expenses borne by him in connection with the illness of his aged father who is dependent upon him.

*given*

NICOLA YOUSSEF - MEDICAL PROBLEM

C. E. Schmidt reported on his visit with Nicola Youssef (gateman) who has been ill for three months. It has been agreed that further medical counsel be sought by January 10, 1972 before any decision is taken concerning his continued employment.

PAT SWAN - WORK ASSIGNMENT

VOTED, That Pat Swan be assigned to work as secretary for the Division President and the Lay Activities Secretary.

Y. O. SANGERLOO - MEDICAL ALLOWANCE

VOTED, To grant 50% of the normal medical allowance to Y. O. Sangerloo, a sustentation beneficiary residing in the United States for expenses reported for 1971 only.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

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## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

February 2, 1972

PRESENT: . M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg.

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

REVISED PLANS - MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE AUDITORIUM/MUSIC BUILDING

VOTED, To pass on the revised plans for the gymnasium/music building at Middle East College to the General Conference for their approval.

Meeting held February 3, 1972 at 8:10 A.M.

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

P. RUTHERFORD - STUDENT MISSIONARY TO TANZANIA UNION

VOTED, To request the General Conference to appoint the student missionary couple, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Rutherford, to the Tanzania Union for service in the Voice of Prophecy.

R. PICKARD - STUDENT MISSIONARY TO BEIRUT, LEBANON

VOTED, That the newly arrived student missionary couple, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pickard, be assigned as follows: Bob Pickard to Beirut Overseas School, and Mrs. Pickard to Beirut Overseas School until March 31, and then to the Division office for secretarial work until the new school year begins.

It was also

VOTED, To grant a monthly sustenance allowance of LL 300.00 per month, with all utilities furnished.

B. L. ELLINGWORTH - LEAVE WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION

Inasmuch as B. L. Ellingworth has left the work in Tanzania contrary to advise from the Union Administration, it was

VOTED, To inform the General Conference of this action and that salary has been paid until January 31, 1972.

W. M. WEBSTER - PERMANENT RETURN

WHEREAS, W. M. Webster has accepted a call to serve as secretary-treasurer of the Zambesi Union, it was

VOTED, To recommend to the General Conference that a permanent return be granted W. M. Webster to his home division, the Trans-Africa Division.



N. SEENYEN - ASSISTANCE FOR DAUGHTER'S EDUCATION

WHEREAS, N. Seenyen of the Seychelles Field has requested assistance in the education of his daughter, whom he wishes to send to Avondale College, it was

VOTED, To recommend to the East African Union that assistance be given to Elder Seenyen as follows:

- a. East African Union to provide the educational scholarship grant
- b. The Afro-Mideast Division will pay through the EAU the equivalent of one round-trip per school year between the Seychelles and Mauritius her homeland.

CAROL MILES - STUDY PLANS

VOTED, To recommend to Carol Miles that she take the Library Science course at the University of Washington.

A. P. BOKOVOY - PLACE OF RESIDENCE

VOTED, To inform the General Conference that it is intended that Dr. A. P. Bokovoy reside in Addis Ababa where he will be closer to the major medical work of the Division, rather than in Nairobi, where Dr. H. N. Sheffield, present Medical Secretary, has been residing.

DAVID SYME - PERMANENT RETURN

VOTED, To recommend that David Syme be granted a permanent return to Australia, his homeland.

L. N. WRIGHT, M.D. - ASSISTANCE IN ADOPTING SON

VOTED, To grant assistance to the amount of \$200.00 to Dr. L. N. Wright in connection with the expenses incurred in the adoption of their infant son.

Meeting held February 4, 1972 at 8:00 A.M.

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

WORKING POLICY - PRINTING

VOTED, To authorize the printing of an edition of 300 copies of the Afro-Mideast Division Working Policy books. It is recommended that the book be of loose-leaf style.

MITTLEIDER AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM

VOTED, To provide Shs. 850/- monthly to provide for someone to follow up the Mittleider program at Morogoro for the balance of the year 1972.

KIBIDULA - TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT FOR M. GUNDERSEN

In view of the uncertainty of the tenure at Ikizu which might necessitate the re-location of the Seminary, it was

VOTED, To allow the Tanzania Union an amount of Shs. 850/- per month to provide for a caretaker at Kibidula following the departure of M. Gundersen, until the end of 1972, with the understanding that the Tanzania Union committee appoint someone for this work.

BUGEMA - EMPLOYMENT OF WIVES

In view of the emergency at Bugema Adventist College where two senior African teachers have resigned, it was

VOTED, To authorize the East African Union to employ workers' wives in replacement up to a total of 150 hours per month.

NAJLA MACKDISI - FINAL SETTLEMENT

VOTED, To authorize the treasury department to make final settlement with Najla Mackdisi, a nurse from the Benghazi Hospital.

RONALD FRITZ, DDS - MISSION ORIENTATION COURSE

VOTED, To authorize Ronald Fritz, DDS. who is under appointment to the Nairobi Medical Service, to attend the Mission Orientation Course at Andrews University, June 12 - July 21.

BASHIR AZIZ - ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To authorize the transfer of the unused three quarters education privilege for Bashir Aziz from Middle East College to Ethiopia Adventist College.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

February 15, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

MIDYEAR COMMITTEE - SCHEDULE

RECOMMENDED, That the following schedule obtain for the Midyear Committee meeting:

Monday, May 8 East African Union, Ethiopian Union, and Tanzania Union members travel to Beirut.

Tuesday, May 9 Interviews with presidents.

Wednesday, May 10 - Monday, May 15, Midyear committee meetings.

TRANSPORTATION OF ELECTIVE MEMBERS - DIVISION COMMITTEE

VOTED, That the Division bear the cost of air tickets and entertainment while the members are in Beirut. Costs of passports, health certificates, travel to airport, etc. would be against the worker's own local travel budget.

UNION PRESIDENTS - INTERVIEWS

RECOMMENDED, The following schedule for interviews with the Union presidents:

R. C. Darnell	Monday, May 8	11:00 - 12:00 M
L. C. Robinson	Tuesday, May 9	8:00 - 9:00 A.M.
H. W. Palm	Tuesday, May 9	9:30 - 10:30 A.M.
C. D. Henri	Tuesday, May 9	11:00 - 12:00 M

"PINE ECHOES"- ADD

VOTED, To approve the customary full-page add in the Middle East College "Pine Echoes."

IGNATIUS YACOB - SPONSORSHIP

VOTED, To authorize the Division Secretary to write a letter of sponsorship for Ignatius Yacoub who has been approved for doctoral study overseas beginning Autumn of 1973.

MARRIAGE WITH UNBELIEVERS

VOTED, To recommend to Middle East College that Emile Zamer be dismissed due to his marriage to an unbeliever contrary to counsel.

H. N. SHEFFIELD - RESIDENCY

VOTED, To recommend that Dr. H. N. Sheffield be sponsored for a residency in surgery.

ROBERT PICARD - LIVING ALLOWANCE

VOTED, To adjust the living allowance for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Picard from LL 300.00 to LL 400.00.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION - A. H. BRANDT

VOTED, To appoint A. H. Brandt as the departmental representative of the Afro-Mideast Division to serve on the General Conference Committee on Reorganization.

Meeting held February 16, 1972 with same members present

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

HANNA MALAKA - LOMA LINDA INDIVIDUALIZED LEARNING PROGRAM

VOTED, To recommend that Hanna Malaka who has been recommended by the Middle East Union for study on the Loma Linda University Individualized Learning Program be approved on the condition that the Division share in the cost to the extent of 25% up to a maximum of \$300.00. It is understood that there will be no expenses for visits from Loma Linda University personnel included in the cost of this course.

"REVIEW AND HERALD" SUBSCRIPTION CHARGES

VOTED, That assistance be granted to workers for subscriptions to the Review and Herald on the following basis:

Worker	\$3.00
Local Field	1.00
Division	1.50
General Conference	<u>1.45</u>
Total	\$6.95

It is understood that workers who live in the same area will join together to take advantage of the club rates whenever possible.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

February 17, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

E. WANJARA - ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To assist the Tanzania Union to the extent of Shs 2000/- toward the accident loss of E. Wanjara and to recommend that an action be taken requesting that Unions set up a fund for the insurance of workers' cars which because of age are not insurable. *Paid*

POLICY COMMITTEE - MIDYEAR

VOTED, To recommend that a policy committee be appointed to consider policies to be submitted to the Midyear committee, as follows:

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman	
D. K. Bazarra	C. D. Henri
O. C. Bjerkan	M. E. Lind
R. C. Darnell	H. W. Palm
E. J. Gregg	L. C. Robinson
R. H. Henning	C. E. Schmidt

BERNARD SALZMANN - STUDENT MISSIONARY

WHEREAS, Bernard Salzmänn has been appointed as a student missionary to connect with the Voice of Prophecy in Morogoro, Tanzania it was

VOTED, To approve the payment of Bernard's fares from Andrews University to Morogoro and return on the understanding that the Salzmanns agree to spend a four-year term in the field, thus enabling the Division to bring the son out in harmony with the General Conference policy for children visiting parents.

TRAVEL OUTSIDE DIVISION

VOTED, To approve travel outside the Division as follows:

Mrs. C. E. Schmidt - Argentina - Feb. 20 -Mar. 1, 1972  
Mrs. Leslie Anderson and children - Canada -  
January 16 - February 23, 1972

M. E. Lind, Chairman  
E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

February 17, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

MAIDA AZADIAN - VOLUNTEER SERVICE EMPRESS ZAUDITU MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

VOTED, To look with favor on the suggestion that Miss Maida Azadian, a third year student in Pharmacology, be sent to Ethiopia during her three-month summer vacation provided the Ethiopian Union and the EZMI are agreed and are willing to provide for her entertainment. The Division is to pay her fares. The purpose of this trip would be to allow her a period of experience in connection with our mission medical work.

ETHIOPIAN UNION - ACTING PRESIDENT

VOTED, That R. L. Jacobs be asked to serve as chairman of the Ethiopian Union during the absence of H. W. Palm on furlough. He would spend approximately one month in Ethiopia from early June to mid July. This will necessitate modification of itineraries voted for Elder Jacobs in the East African Union and the Tanzania Union.

IRAN CAMPMEETING - M. E. LIND ATTEND

VOTED, That M. E. Lind take the campmeeting appointment voted for R. L. Jacobs in Iran in June.

TITHE PERCENTAGE SCHEDULE - POLICY

VOTED, That the policy on the sharing of the tithe be amended by including the thought contained in the paragraph from the General Conference Working Policy, p. 263 entitled, "Tithe Percentage Schedule."

Meeting held on February 21, 1972 at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR - HERI

VOTED, To recommend that a call be placed for a doctor to serve as Medical Director of Heri Hospital. The name of Dr. Ray Pellow of Spokane, Washington is suggested.

KCMC - FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

WHEREAS, recent contacts with the authorities at KCMC indicate that control of that institution now rests largely with the Tanzania Government, thus making it unlikely that non-Tanzanian students would have opportunity for acceptance to study there, and further that

Seventh-day Adventist applicants would have no preferential consideration, it was

VOTED, To recommend that the Afro-Mideast Division not increase its financial commitments to the KCMC beyond the present one staff member.

DR. RICHARD HART - RELATION TO KCMC

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard Hart, presently completing a residency at John Hopkins University Medical School, is interested in connecting with KCMC, provided the AMD can assist him with his medical course expenses, and in view of the foregoing recommendation, it was

VOTED, To advise Dr. Hart that we do not find it possible to increase our commitment toward the KCMC project by assuming any financial liability for his connection with the KCMC.

MARY GHAZAL - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

VOTED, To grant the request of Mary Ghazal for a leave of two months, including her annual vacation of three weeks, during the period July 1 to September 1. Time taken beyond vacation is without salary.

MONETARY SITUATION - EFFECT ON BUDGET

WHEREAS, The world monetary situation is continually being watched by the denominational financial leaders and further changes have been adopted in denominational exchange rates, it was

VOTED, To ask the treasury department to rework the budget in harmony with the latest developments and that the Union Administrators be informed immediately of the seriousness of the problem.

Meeting held February 22, 1972 at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.  
Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

RONALD FRITZ, DDS. - CANADIAN EXAMINATIONS EXPENSE

VOTED, To authorize Dr. Ronald Fritz to take the Canadian Board examinations in dentistry in May, provided he is medically cleared for a mission appointment.

SEMIR SHAHINE - ALLOWANCES WHILE ON STUDY LEAVE

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to pay Book Allowance to Samir Shahine for books purchased while spending one year at Andrews University, following the General Conference Session, but that no assistance be given on the cost of accomodation while on his vacation.

HOME-OWNERS' SUBSIDY - PAYMENT IN ADVANCE

VOTED, To acquiesce in the request of the Middle East Union that they be permitted to continue the practice of paying the home owners' allowance for the year in advance for the year 1972 only.

IRAQ FUNDS - EXCHANGE LOSS

VOTED, To seek counsel from the General Conference concerning the transfer of funds from Iraq to Lebanon. The funds belong to the Middle East Union.

KARURA VOICE OF PROPHECY HOUSE - TRANSFER TO SECTION I

VOTED, To recommend that approval be granted for the house at Karura, East African Union, formerly occupied by Wesley Flory to be transferred to Section I for occupancy by the director of the Voice of Prophecy.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO MIDDLE EAST UNION

VOTED, To advise the Middle East Union that the Afro-Mideast Division will share 50% in the following expenses:

- a. Building fines - Damascus Center
- b. Legal expenses - Jordan Orphanage
- c. Welfare organization - Turkey

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

February 24, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - DIVISION OFF LIMITS

VOTED, That the Division office be considered off limits to students of the Beirut Overseas School except as they must come to see parents or others on business.

UNION ANNUAL COMMITTEES - DIVISION REPRESENTATION

VOTED, That Division representation at Union and local yearend committees be as follows:

Tanzania Union - December 1 - 7, M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt  
East Africa Union - December 8 - 14, M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt  
Ethiopian Union - December 14 - 19, M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt  
Middle East Union - December 26 - 30, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Local field yearend meetings - January 8 - 31, 1973:

Tanzania and Ethiopia - E. J. Gregg  
East African Union and Middle East Union - R. L. Jacobs

Meeting held February 29, 1972, at 10:00 A.M. with same members present:

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

HANSEN MEMORIAL LIBRARY - DONATION

VOTED, To grant E\$ 1,000 from special donations to the fund being set up for a Hansen Memorial Library in Akaki Seventh-day Adventist School.

ISHAKA HOSPITAL - SALE OF FURNITURE TO MEDICAL DIRECTOR

AGREED, To advise the East African Union that it is not the practice to sell furniture with which denominationally owned homes are equipped, but that inasmuch as the furniture in Ishaka would have to be stored with resulting deterioration while the house is occupied by a national worker, to acquiesce in the request of the East African Union to sell the furniture in the Medical Director's house to Dr. S. I. Biraro, it being understood, (1) that the Union treasurer be responsible for seeing that the price be set at a realistic figure, considering costs of replacement, (2) that funds received be set up as a reserve to be used for re-furnishing the house if an inter-division worker is called to Ishaka in the future, and (3) that the EAU be responsible for refurnishing the house in

case it is required and (4) that the total be paid in no more than two years.

FORT PORTAL EXPATRIATE HOUSE

WHEREAS, a request has been made for a re-organization of the Uganda field which might require the use of the Fort Portal expatriate house, it was

AGREED, That approval of the request of the East African Union to release the Fort Portal house for occupancy by a national worker be held in abeyance until the above-mentioned request has been studied.

NAIROBI MEDICAL CENTER - APARTMENT ON GROUND FLOOR

VOTED, To acquiesce in the request of the East African Union to use up to Shs. 70,000 of their own reserve funds for the construction of a three-bedroom apartment on the ground floor of the Medical Center building, it being understood that this advance shall be considered as first call on 1973 special appropriations.

MICHAEL KATRIB - WORK PERMIT

AGREED, To advise the Middle East Union that we look with concern on the fact that the East Mediterranean Field has independently authorized Michael Katrib to secure his work permit, in view of the firm agreement that all work permits in Lebanon be requested through the committee set up for this purpose.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

March 6, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

Prayer was offered by Ray L. Jacobs.

PATHFINDER CLUB - VAN FOR STORAGE

AGREED, To acquiesce in the request of the College Park Pathfinder Club to place a moving van behind the lower garage for storage of supplies, it being understood that this has been cleared with the administration of the Beirut Overseas School, and that when the van is no longer required for the purpose indicated, the College Park Church will be responsible for removing it from the Division compound.

CHAFIC SROUR - LETTER OF GUARANTEE

AGREED, To authorize the secretary to write the necessary letter of guarantee required by the United States consul, in order for Elder and Mrs. Chafic Srouer to be granted tourist visas to make it possible for them to attend the graduation of their son, Sami, from Loma Linda University.

LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOL ON MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE CAMPUS

AGREED, To recommend to the Division committee that assistance be granted to one worker from each union whom they may choose to attend the Loma Linda University Summer School to be held in Beirut, June 15 - August 14, 1972, suggesting that the expense be shared equally by the worker, the local field, the union, and the Division.

LOCAL FIELDS - FINANCIAL POSITION

AGREED, To request the Division Treasurer to write to the officers of the local fields and unions indicating that we view with great concern the downward trend in the operating capital position of many of the fields, and reminding them that in no case should new workers be employed without adequate budgetary provisions and the approval of the next higher organization.

TOBACCO FARMING - EAST AFRICAN UNION REQUEST FOR COUNSEL

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division committee that the East African Union be counselled to hold before our people our basic health principles regarding coffee, tea, tobacco, etc., and that while the growing of these crops is not a test of fellowship to keep in mind the counsel given in Selected Messages, Vol. 2, page 338, and recommend that our members find other crops which they can conscientiously cultivate with the blessing of God.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

March 7, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

By invitation: R. C. Darnell

MAURICE KATRIB - WORK PERMIT

WHEREAS, A copy of a letter written by Maurice Katrib to George Nehme indicates the refusal of the former to permit a work permit to be secured for him, it was

AGREED, To inform Maurice Katrib that a committee has been appointed that decides in counsel with the employing organization concerned whether ministers are required to have work permits or not, and that this committee is therefore solely responsible for decisions pertaining to work permits, with George Nehme working on its behalf in executing its decisions, and further

That if any worker feels that he should be permitted to work without a permit, he should direct himself directly to C. E. Schmidt, chairman of the Work Permit Committee, who can arrange for the presentation of the request in the proper way.

Meeting held March 8, 1972 with the following present:

M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

D. K. BAZARRA - MODIFICATION OF ITINERARY

AGREED, That D. K. Bazarra may accept the insistent request of the East African Union for him to attend a workers' meeting April 17 - 26, but in case he makes this trip, the scheduled campmeeting appointments August 9 - 31, will necessarily be cancelled.

M. E. LIND - MODIFICATION OF EGYPT ITINERARY

AGREED, To recommend to the Division committee that upon the request of the Middle East Union, M. E. Lind be authorized to travel to Egypt for binding off the Cairo effort April 14 - 22, 1972 instead of May 24 - 30, as formerly scheduled.

ADMINISTRATOR EZMH

AGREED, To inform the Ethiopian Union that we look with favor on the suggestion that T. H. Scoggins be appointed administrator of the EZMH, but that action should not be taken before the midyear committee meeting when full representation will be present.

R. H. HENNING - INGATHERING IN DAR-ES-SALAAM

AGREED, To pass on to R. H. Henning the urgent request of the Tanzania Union that he rearrange his itinerary so as to assist in the Ingathering campaign in Dar-Es-Salaam June 1-10, as was originally voted.

ARNO HENSEL - CALL HELD IN ABEYANCE

AGREED, That we do not see light in authorizing Arno Hensel to take the course in tropical medicine recommended by the Tanzania Union since uncertainty exists regarding the possibility of securing permission to open the clinic in Mwanza.

A. H. BRANDT - CANCEL PR COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

AGREED, To recommend to A. H. Brandt that he cancel the plan to attend the PR council in Vienna since it conflicts with the dates for the Division committee.

D. R. SYME - HOMELAND ALLOWANCE TO ENGLAND

AGREED, To approve the request of D. R. Syme to have his homeland allowance sent to England (at the Australian rate) since he will be requiring these funds for his study program in Newbold College.

Meeting held March 10, 1972 at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

RADIO EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

AGREED, To assure R. H. Henning that he need no further approval for the purchase of the radio equipment within the budget, and in harmony with officers' action (OM 71-98).

TEMPERANCE SECRETARY - R. W. TAYLOR

WHEREAS, It is felt that the duties of Dr. A. P. Bokovoy in medical lines, considering his responsibilities toward the hospitals, and the shortage of physicians, and since it is the desire of the General Conference Temperance department to have a division secretary who can devote a fair share of his time to the promotion of the plans of the department, it was

VOTED, To recommend to the General Conference that R. W. Taylor be appointed Temperance Secretary of the Division.

MRS. H. L. SCHAFFER - EMERGENCY SURGERY

WHEREAS, A cable has been received as follows:

Mrs. Schaffer Bugema needs emergency major surgery request permission purchase tickets family go home immediately stop Schaffer remain until furlough due June advise cable (Signed) Henri

it was,

VOTED, To authorize the family of H. L. Schaffer to return home immediately subject to Dr. Buckley's advice indicating that the surgery should not be performed in Nairobi or Addis Ababa.

MEETING held March 12, 1972, at 9:05 A.M. - same members present.

By invitation: H. N. Sheffield.

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

Dr. Sheffield reported on Kenneth Oster's successful meetings in Tehran and the encouraging 5-Day Plan in which he participated with Jack Bohannon in Shiraz where 400 packed the hall provided by the medical school; medical students gave out announcements, and 42 minutes were given on TV. L. F. Greer in the Physical Therapy Clinic in Tehran is dependent on one orthopedic doctor so has an average of only four patients a day.

A run-down of the coverage of medical institutions showed the following:

Kendu--Dr. Kraft is having to dedicate much time to building, but the Torres are ably carrying on the medical practice.

Ishaka--Fully covered with Drs. Biraro and Llaguno

Gimbi--Request to explore possibility of securing Dr. Oliphant to assist Dr. Friend, if the Ethiopian Union feels that the budget can be assured.

Heri-- Dr. Mtango is doing his best, but a doctor is urgently needed. Suggest writing to Elder Robinson to see if they can accept a non-flying physician if a pilot/doctor cannot be found.

Nairobi--Hope was expressed that Dr. Watts might still be available.

EZMH -- AGREED, To ask the FED to secure an experienced general practitioner to replace Dr. Griffin.

Nairobi Dentist -- Since an experienced dentist is required, the appointment of Ronald Fritz should be cancelled, and the name of Friedrich Starke of Germany suggested.

KILIMANJARO CHRISTIAN MEDICAL CENTER - CANCEL COMMITMENTS

AGREED, To inform the administration of the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center that since the control of the hospital has been altered so that it cannot fulfill our expectations for the training of medical personnel, the Afro-Mideast Division will not be able to continue the former plan of maintaining a second doctor in the institution.

Meeting held March 14, 1972, at 8:00 A.M. Same members present.

C. E. Schmidt offered prayer.

J. N. KYALE - SPONSORSHIP AND TRAVEL PLANS

J. N. Kyale of the East African Union is studying in Philippine Union College toward an M. A. degree. He has requested an increase of allowances and stop-over privileges in connection with his return home this summer.

AGREED, That J. N. Kyale be authorized to return to East Africa by the most economical means, according to policy, and further

That the Treasurer secure information as to allowances granted by other divisions sending students to Philippine Union College, with the view of adjusting our grants if found necessary.

HANA NASR - SUSTENTATION

Miss Hana Nasr was placed on sustentation in 1964 (MED 64-159), but later she continued to work and alleges that three years were to be added to her service record of 34 years. The Middle East Union suggests two years additional.

AGREED, To add two years to the service record of Miss Hana Nasr, giving a total of 36 years, and further

That since she is a resident of Lebanon where she now resides on a permanent basis, to grant her pay at the Lebanese rate.

DIANA HATEM - TERMINAL SETTLEMENT

AGREED, To recommend to the Middle East Union that they acquiesce in the request of Diana Hatem of Jordan for final settlement, since this was promised in writing by the then-president of the Jordan Section.

FINAL SETTLEMENTS - POLICY

AGREED, To list for study the matter of final settlements for workers in Lebanon for the Midyear Policy Committee.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE STOREKEEPER

AGREED, To recommend to the Middle East College administration that the non-Adventist storekeeper be discontinued in his work, since his attitudes turn customers away, and continued employment increases the problems of settlement.

EAST AFRICAN UNION - AUTOMOBILE LOAN CEILING

VOTED, That the Automobile Loan ceiling for the East African Union formerly set at Shs. 40,000 be increased to Shs. 55,000.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

March 15, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

FRANZ PETROV - SURGERY IN ENGLAND

VOTED, To approve the recommendation of the East African Union that Franz Petrov be authorized to travel to England for surgery which cannot be performed in Ethiopia due to a heart condition, and report the travel expense on his medical report.

Meeting held March 21, 1972 with the same members present.

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

ABONZA HEADQUARTERS

AGREED, To approve, in principle, the request of the Ethiopian Union to purchase a property (3,000 m<sup>2</sup>) on the shore of Lake Awasa with two three-bedroom houses with extra guest rooms, for Eth\$55,000.00 to be used as headquarters for the South Ethiopia Field and vacation facility for workers, it being understood that due to the shortage in operating capital in both the Union and the South Ethiopian Field, funds for the purchase be taken from reserves and reallocation of specials.

JON GREEN

AGREED, To advise Jon Green that we view with grave concern the charges made by A. E. Anderson, having to do with alleged duplicity in arrangements for the Cessna 185 during his absence, and request a suitable explanation.

DR. WILLIAM OLIPHANT

AGREED, To request the General Conference to appoint Dr. Oliphant to the Afro-Mideast Division with the idea that the exact location be negotiated, since Nairobi, EZMH, Gimbe, Heri are all open at present.

SAMI SROUR

AGREED, To inform the General Conference that the Afro-Mideast Division has invested \$8,300.00 in Sami Srour, and that he has signed a contract to return for service in the Division. It is our understanding that on completion of his internship he should return to the Division to begin the amortization of his loan.

Meeting held March 23, 1972 with same members present.

Invited: Bekele Heye (for first item).

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

ERIK CHRISTENSEN - FURLOUGH

The Erik Christensen case was studied again in view of the report given by Elder Bekele Heye who just returned from Ethiopia. H. W. Palm had also written explaining the attitude of the members of the Ethiopian Union committee. Since it was apparent that practically all the members of the union committee representing senior national and expatriate workers felt that Brother Christensen should return to the EZMH, it was

AGREED, To recommend to the Division committee that Erik Christensen be granted a furlough.

HUGH COWLES - CALL TO MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE

AGREED, To recommend to the Division committee that Hugh Cowles be called as Dean of Men at Middle East College.

Meeting held March 27, 1972 with same members present.

Invited: Bekele Heye

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

GEBRE FELEMA - EXCHANGE VISITOR VISA SPONSORSHIP

AGREED, To request the General Conference to grant an exchange visitor visa sponsorship for Gebre Felema, in order to facilitate his work program, in harmony with a cable received from W. L. Pascoe.

WILTON CLARKE - FURLOUGH STUDY AUTHORIZATION

The Trans-Africa Division has requested permission to pass through a call for Wilton Clarke. Since it was assumed that such a call would be forthcoming, no plan was made for a study program for Wilton Clarke when he left on furlough. The call has not materialized, and Brother Clarke is in need of assistance in his study program. In harmony with counsel cabled by R. F. Williams, it was

AGREED, To authorize assistance for Wilton Clarke in his study program in harmony with the provisions of the General Conference Working Policy, p. 200, it being understood that this assistance will be borne by the calling Division should he receive a call to labor elsewhere.

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE - ENGLISH TEACHER STUDY PROGRAM

The General Conference has sent a cable indicating that they have a good prospect to fill our call for an English teacher for the Ethiopian Adventist College, and request authorization for her to take a special class at Andrews University and also to attend the Missions Institute.

VOTED, To authorize the prospective English teacher under appointment for Ethiopian Adventist College to take a special course in teaching English as a foreign subject and to attend the summer Missions Institute at Andrews University.

LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY - CHARGE FOR SUPPLIES SENT TO BENGHAZI HOSPITAL

The Loma Linda University School of Dentistry sent a shipment of supplies ordered by the Benghazi Hospital administration, which arrived after nationalization of the institution. When the bill came to the newly formed Afro-Mideast Division it was placed along with other obligations to be paid by the anticipated compensation. Inasmuch as the compensation still has not been received, and the bill should be paid, it was

AGREED, To authorize the Treasury to pay the outstanding bill for supplies sent by the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry.

WAGE INCREASE - REQUEST TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

AGREED, To request the Treasury to advise the General Conference of the urgency of wage increases in the various countries of the Division where the cost of living has greatly increased, but where due to the dollar devaluation no wage increases have been given.

Meeting held March 28, 1972, with same members present.

Invited: Bekele Heye, Franz Petrov, Ignatius Yacoub.

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE - RIOT

A report was given of a riot at Kuyera College on Saturday night, March 25, 1972 sparked off by a program presented by the 12th grade given in Ahmaric instead of English as previously agreed upon. The program was stopped by one of the teachers. That night four cars were overturned and seriously damaged, two motorcycles were burned, and damage done to overseas families who escaped and remained hidden during the night. Practically all secondary students participated. Law enforcement officers were called and school was temporarily suspended.

AWASA LAKE PROPERTY

AGREED, To inform the Ethiopian Union by cable that purchase of the Awasa property, proposed as headquarters for the South Ethiopian Field be held in abeyance, since information has been received indicating that its location near a hotel is unbearable and that senior Ethiopian workers are not in favor of the purchase.

Meeting held at 2:45 P.M. with same members present, but without the invited persons.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE PARTICIPATION IN OPERA AND COMPETITIVE SPORTS

AGREED, To inform the College administration that we look with increasing concern to the participation of college teachers and students in operatic performances and in competitive sports which are not in harmony with Adventist principles, and to request that definite steps be taken to disassociate the college staff and students from such activities.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

March 21, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR WORKERS

AGREED, To approve accident insurance coverage for workers as approved by controlling committees and in harmony with the following schedule:

Workers whose work requires them to --

Travel extensively	\$30,000
Travel less extensively	15,000
Limited travel	10,000
Local travel	5,000

*monthly by plane*  
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Meeting held March 29, 1972 at 8:15, with same members present.

Invited: O. C. Bjerkan, Bekele Heye

Prayer was offered by Bekele Heye.

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST ACADEMY - EMERGENCY SITUATION

Further study was given to the emergency situation that has arisen in Ethiopian Adventist Academy and it was

AGREED, To send a cable to the Ethiopian Union as follows:

EARNESTLY HOPE KUYERA REOPEN AFTER EASTER, and further

To recommend (1) That H. A. Larsen be counseled regarding attitudes taken that have been offensive, such as comparisons between Ethiopia and other places, and a lack of proper attention to the feelings of others. (2) That every effort be made to reopen the school by the end of the Easter vacation. (3) That overseas teachers be retained at their posts if possible.

Meeting held March 29, 1972 at 3:00 P.M. with same members present.

Invited: R. H. Henning

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind

RADIO COORDINATING COMMITTEE

AGREED, To recommend to the Division committee that a committee be appointed to coordinate the production of radio programs in the Division.

STUDENT COLPORTEUR POLICIES - COMMITTEE

AGREED, To invite each of the organizations in Lebanon to appoint two or three members to a special committee for the purpose of giving study to plans and policies relating to student colporteurs. Meeting scheduled for April 5, 1972 at 3:00 P.M. at the Division.

Meeting held April 4, 1972.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by R..L. Jacobs.

A. P. BOKOVOY, M.D. - MIDYEAR COMMITTEE

VOTED, To invite Dr. A. P. Bokovoy, who has been appointed Medical Secretary of the Division, to attend the midyear committee meeting of the Division even though Dr. Sheffield is still in the field.

R. W. TAYLOR - AFGHANISTAN TEMPERANCE CONGRESS

VOTED, That in view of the further dollar declines, we recommend that R. W. Taylor not attend the Temperance Council to be held in Afghanistan.

R. W. TAYLOR - ATTENDANCE FIVE-DAY PLAN

VOTED, To authorize R. W. Taylor to attend a Five-Day Plan meeting to be conducted by Dr. Sheffield.

DIVISION APARTMENTS - ASSIGNMENTS

VOTED, To make the following changes in apartment assignments:

- (a) Apartment presently occupied by the Cowles family -  
R. H. Henning
- (b) Apartment presently occupied by the Henning family -  
Thomas Staples

ETHEL TWING - VISIT BEIRUT

VOTED, To authorize Mrs. Ethel Twing to travel via Beirut on her way home to the United States.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

April 5, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

By invitation: O. C. Bjerkan, Ignatius Yacoub, Bekele Heye

Prayer by Bekele Heye.

W. M. WEBSTER - TRANSFER DATE

AGREED, That W. M. Webster could be released from the East African Union May 1, 1972 to take up his duties in the Zambesi Union.

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE - PROBLEM

Considerable time was spent discussing the problem existing at Ethiopian Adventist College as set forth by Elder H. W. Palm in his letter to Elder M. E. Lind, dated March 30, 1972.

Some indicated disagreement with the action taken to close the secondary section of the school for the remainder of the school year and allow the college section to continue. Others indicated that the action taken was in harmony with action taken by the Ethiopian government in government schools where similar problems exist.

It was felt that the actions taken by the College Board should be supported and that an effort should be made to place R. E. Blinci elsewhere in the Division.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY - SEMINARY EXTENSION SCHOOL

From a letter to Elder M. E. Lind from R. E. Hammill of Andrews University it was learned that a Seminary Extension School has been approved for the Afro-Mideast Division in 1974. It was

VOTED, That we look with favor on the plan of holding such an Extension School in 1974, and that further details for this school be presented to the 1972 midyear meeting of the Division Committee for approval.

ANDERS ENGAHL - APPROVE ATTENDANCE BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL

WHEREAS, a cable has been received from Gunnar Engdahl of the Ethiopial Adventist College, requesting that his son, Anders be accepted in the Beirut Overseas School, it was

VOTED, To approve his request provided the College accepts him for dormitory accommodations and the school is able to accept him. The change in schools in the middle of the year is necessitated by the situation prevailing at Kuyera.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon April 10, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

ROBERT THOMAS, M.D. - APPOINTMENT TO HERI HOSPITAL

VOTED, To agree with the appointment of Dr. Robert Thomas of Chico, California to Heri Mission Hospital in Tanzania. Some concern was expressed over the fact that the Thomases have four children of school age, though they have agreed to come with the understanding that Mrs. Thomas would teach them with the help of the Home Study Institute.

DIVISION HEADQUARTERS - PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

After discussing the letter of Elder R. H. Pierson regarding the purchase of property for the re-location of the Division headquarters, it was

VOTED, To advise the General Conference that in view of the attitudes of the leadership in the Middle East, it is not felt wise to present this matter to the committee at the present time.

FURLOUGHING WORKERS - AUTOMOBILE DEPRECIATION

VOTED, To recommend that the policy of granting car depreciation to workers on furlough be interpreted as follows:

- a. The worker must own or rent a car during furlough to be eligible for the furlough car depreciation allowance.
- b. Allowance to be paid on the basis of the amount granted in the homeland of the furloughing worker if a car is owned or rented there during furlough.
- c. If an authorized car is owned and left in the field during furlough, the depreciation would be paid on the basis of the regular rate in the field upon the worker's return from furlough, it being understood that depreciation is paid on only one car.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

April 6, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

AVSC TEACHER - BUGEMA EXPATRIATE SCHOOL

VOTED, To recommend the approval of the proposal that Dr. & Mrs. W. E. Belleau be invited to Bugema Adventist College for teaching overseas children on the Adventist Volunteer Service Corps basis with the understanding that there is no financial obligation to the Division in bringing this couple to Bugema.

Meeting held April 7, 1972 with same members present.

Invited: I. Yacoub, B. Heye

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE - COUNSEL re: VICE-PRINCIPAL

Pastor Lind had received a letter from Elder Palm giving further information concerning the situation at Ethiopian Adventist College. Advice was sought concerning the suggestion that a vice-principal be appointed. It was

VOTED, To call to the attention of the brethren in Ethiopia that the "academic dean" of the college already stands as second in command and that a fourth administrative official would create further problems. It was felt that the principal (or president) could be advised to delegate more authority to his academic dean and business manager. It is also suggested that the academic dean be assigned the responsibility of supervising the secondary school.

JORDAN ORPHANAGE - COMMITTEE MEMBERS

VOTED, To authorize A. H. Brandt and R. L. Jacobs to serve on a committee appointed by the Middle East Union to study the future of the Jordan Orphanage.

DR. ARZOO - FARSI LITERATURE FUND

VOTED, To recommend that the General Conference be authorized to suspend payments of sustentation to Dr. Arzoo for the period which he shall indicate to them and that the equivalent of his sustentation be sent through to the Iran Field for the preparation of Farsi Literature.

M. E. Lind, Chairam

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

April 12, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

D. A. GRANKOW - ADOPTION AUTHORIZATION

D. A. Grankow has sought counsel from the Division concerning their desire to adopt a child. It was

VOTED, To approve the request of the Grankows' for permission to adopt the child on the understanding that the Division's responsibility would be limited to 50% of the adoption expenses up to a maximum of \$200.00 assistance plus the air fare of the child.

SUSAN ASMAR - EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To employ Mrs. Susan Asmar on a part-time basis for secretarial work on a trial period of three months - salary percentage to be 70% during this trial period.

Meeting held April 13, 1972 at 8:00 A. M. with same members present.

Invited: O. Bjerkan, B. Heye, A. H. Brandt.

Prayer was offered by A. H. Brandt.

LAKE AWASA PROPERTY - ETHIOPIAN UNION

Further information concerning the proposed South Field Headquarters in Ethiopia at Lake Awasa has been received. It was

VOTED, To re-affirm our previous approval on the following conditions:

- (a) That increase in water level of the lake would not at some future time flood the property.
- (b) A suitable detailed plan of finance is to be submitted showing source of funds to be used and provided that the financing of this project will not in any way affect the operating capital.

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April 13, 1972

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE - RIOT DAMAGE TO VEHICLES

Counsel has been sought concerning the damage to vehicles during the disturbances at Ethiopian Adventist College, it was

VOTED, To advise that workers with authorized vehicles should be covered by the Ethiopian Union insurance plan. The Ethiopian Union would be responsible for any repairs to such vehicles.

Information is requested concerning the amount of damage to those vehicles not authorized.

A. H. BRANDT - IRAN EARTHQUAKE RELIEF ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To acquiesce to the request of the Middle East Union for the services of A. H. Brandt in connection with the possibility of relief needs arising out of the recent earthquakes in Southern Iran.

W. M. WEBSTER - RELEASE MAY 1, 1972

Whereas, the Trans-African Division has requested the release of W. M. Webster by May 1, it was

VOTED, To accede to this request and that W. M. Webster be requested to leave a detailed written list of information for the benefit of his successor who will not yet have arrived in the field before his departure.

W. M. WEBSTER - CLASS B FREIGHT

VOTED, To settle with W. M. Webster as far as furlough freight allowance is concerned on a Class B basis.

Meeting held April 13, 1972 at 4:00 P.M. with same members.

PAT SWAN - APARTMENT

VOTED, To assign the guest apartment No. 3 to Pat Swan.

PAUL REMINGTON - KENDU HOSPITAL

VOTED, To advise the East African Union that the Division will provide the return ticket for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Remington coming to Kendu under AVSC program. East African Union and Kendu to be responsible for living allowances, travel documentation, and all other allowances.

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GEORGE NEHME - RESIGNATION

VOTED, To recommend to the Committee that the resignation of George Nehme be accepted.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

April 18, 1972

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg

JACK THOMPSON - RENTAL REDUCED

VOTED, That rent charges for Jack Thompson be at the rate of 10% instead of 15% for the period he is living in the sisters' dwelling unit.

PAT BEAMAN - DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To approve a two years depreciation advance to Miss Pat Beaman who is authorized by Middle East College to operate a motor car.

HENRI MELKI - RENT ALLOWANCE MAXIMUM

VOTED, To authorize the General Conference to pay a rent allowance of up to \$75.00 per month to Henri Melki for the period he has been renting a single apartment in Washington D. C.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman, Pro tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

April 24, 1972

PRESENT: R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

By invitation: A. H. Brandt

Prayer was offered by A. H. Brandt

JUDY KUESTER - RETURN TO HOMELAND

Whereas, Miss Judy Kuester, a student missionary in Ethiopia has had typhoid fever and is suffering complications which have required medical care and hospitalization, and

Whereas, Doctors Bokovoy & Incocencio recommend her immediate and direct return home, it was

VOTED, That Miss Judy Kuester be released immediately and be urged to return directly to her home.

HERI HOSPITAL - PURCHASE EQUIPMENT

VOTED, To advise the Tanzania Union that the Division would approve the purchase of equipment belonging to Dr. Twing valued at Shs. 14,400 provided that the Tanzanian Union is willing to have the Division assistance treated as the first call on 1973 special appropriations.

MRS. T. G. STAPLES - CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

VOTED, To grant 50% assistance to Mrs. T. G. Staples on the cost of correspondence studies in German. Assistance is to be granted upon the successful completion of the course. This is a required course in her B. A. study program but is not given at Middle East College or Home Study Institute.

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman pro tem

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 8:00 A.M. April 26, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

SUSTENTATION WORKERS - ANNUAL REVIEW

VOTED, To recommend to all fields that the list of all sustenta-  
tion workers in each field be reviewed annually and that their recommen-  
dations be passed through the unions to the Division.

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BOOK POLICY - REGULAR WORKERS ONLY

VOTED, To advise the Tanzania Union that the privilege of purchasing  
Spirit of Prophecy books at special discounts can only be extended to  
regular workers.

N. SEENYEN - ALLOWANCES

VOTED, That outfitting and other allowances for N. Seenyen be  
on the basis of those given Filipino workers.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 8:00 A.M. April 28, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

BENGHAZI HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS - COLECTION

VOTED, To approve the payment of the cost of travel and hotel, etc., for Habib Banna and Rafic Issa to visit Benghazi, Libya for the purpose of collecting hospital accounts.

EGYPT FIELD - 1969 EVANGELISM ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To recommend that LL. 20,000 be appropriated from the Evangelism fund to the Egyptian section to assist with efforts held in 1969 for which no Division assistance was given.

GEORGE UNGER - BOOK & EQUIPMENT ALLOWANCE

VOTED, To grant to George Unger two years book & equipment allowance for the years 1970 & 1971 the amount LL. 200.00.

E. H. SEQUEIRA - FREIGHT BROUGHT FOR B. WHEELER

VOTED, To approve the payment of freight costs for goods brought by E. H. Sequeira for B. D. Wheeler.

BOS - ADVERTISEMENT IN ANNUAL

VOTED, To authorize the insertion of an advertisement in the Beirut Overseas School annual.

JAMES TWING - OVERWEIGHT FREIGHT ALLOWANCE

Whereas, repeated requests to the late Dr. James Twing for information concerning freight brought for others failed to provide a response, it was

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to settle on the basis of weight brought and on compassionate grounds to charge the cost, including the overweight, to the appointee reserve.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

*sent to  
C. E. Schmidt*

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 9:00 A.M. May 1, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

MRS. E. RUNGE - EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To employ Mrs. E. Runge on a part-time basis as a secretary and accounting machine operator in the Division office.

Meeting held May 1, 1972 with same members present, in addition to D. K. Bazarra.

Invited: A. H. Brandt

DEPARTMENTAL ORGANIZATION

VOTED, To inform the General Conference that we feel that in the Afro-Mideast Division it is important that the present system of departmental organization be continued on all levels. The matter will be further discussed with the Union representatives at the mid-year meeting.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon May 3, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

GINERVA COWLES - EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To offer employment to Miss Ginerva Cowles for the summer of 1972.

KILIMANJARO CHRISTIAN MEDICAL CENTER - COMMITTEE

VOTED, That a sub-committee comprised of the Division officers, Doctors Bokovoy and Sheffield, and L. C. Robinson be appointed to study the matter of the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center and the future relationship to this organization.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR - COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend that a committee on distribution of labor composed of the Division officers, the medical secretary, and the union presidents be appointed for study of problems to be considered at the midyear meeting.

Meeting held 11:00 A.M. May 8, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

SCHOLARSHIP PLAN - MIDDLE EAST UNION REQUEST

VOTED, To recommend to the Division committee that the policy on student colporteur scholarships be reviewed in light of recommendations from the Middle East Union.

CITY EVANGELISM FUNDS - MIDDLE EAST UNION

VOTED, To recommend that the plan of the Middle East Union concerning the division of large city evangelism funds be reviewed by the Division committee.

LEBANON COORDINATING COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend to the Division committee that a coordinating committee be appointed to consider matters of common concern to the Division, Union, and local organizations operating in Lebanon.

M. E. Lind, Chairman  
E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

May 9, 1972

(Officers with L. C. Robinson of the Tanzania Union at 8:10 A.M.)

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg,  
C. E. Schmidt

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

Situation at Ikizu: The serious problem faced with regard to military training, and absolute loss of control of the institution was presented. The headmaster and ex-patriate teachers are being required to leave.

Transfer for E. M. Luyeho: In view of the above, the East African Union has been advised to proceed with the call for E. M. Luyeho.

Seminary Project - Sabbath School Project 1974: Request the overflow offering for the development of a seminary for training of evangelistic workers.

(Officers with H. W. Palm of the Ethiopian Union at 9:30 A.M.)

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

Ethiopia Adventist College: Decision regarding student unrest; Government department concurs; Riley desires to return after furlough in 1973 as a teacher only. Ethiopian Union could loan Blinci and salary provision for 1 year. Compensation for cars damaged in rioting was referred to the officers.

Makale Clinic: It is suggested that Dr. and Mrs. Johnson (he is a retired physician) be allowed to come for a year or more. He has offered to pay his own fare. The Ethiopian Union agrees to pay a living allowance of E\$ 500.00. The Division would deal with the Johnsons on the basis of the AVSC plan.

Publishing Secretary: The need exists for an experienced publishing secretary for the Ethiopian Union. Owen D'Costa is requesting a permanent return - he plans on moving to Australia or perhaps returning to Britian. He would be replaced by an Ethiopian worker thus freeing his budget for the calling of a publishing secretary.

Vacation Home - Awassa: Property has been acquired in Awassa on which two houses are situated. One of these has been assigned for occupancy by the president of the South Ethiopian Field. The Field offices to be temporarily housed in the church building. The other house is to be used as a vacation center for the use of workers in the Ethiopian Union. A committee has been appointed by the EU to recommend a scale of rental charges for those using these facilities.

(Officers with C. D. Henri of the East African Union at 11:00 A.M.)

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

Work Among Hindus in Uganda: Mrs. D. Shah of Kampala has available \$20,000, raised privately for the opening of work among the Hindu people in Kampala. The suggestion is that a colporteur be called from the Southern Asia Division. It is understood that before any worker can be called the funds should be placed on deposit with the Afro-Mideast Division. Any worker called would be directed by the East African Union.

Maxwell Preparatory School: Enrollment at MPS has dwindled from 25 students to 8. There have been problems with regard to discipline which arise partially from the location of the school and partly from personality problems. Discussion followed as to the importance of the school to the missionary family in the southern unions of the Division. The officers have suggested the name of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Doyle to help the situation.

Housing: Need for three houses in Nairobi was discussed.

Personnel Problems: It is suggested that at Bugema H. R. Bothwell who goes on PR be replaced by a business manager, thus freeing the principal to take over the Bible teaching. Arising out of this discussion arose the matter of the auditing work in East Africa. It was recommended that R. Martin Moores be appointed assistant treasurer and assistant auditor.

It was also recommended that a call for Robert Blinci currently in Ethiopia be passed through to Ethiopia to serve as assistant business manager of Bugema Adventist College.

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 2:30 P.M. May 11, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Invited: Dr. A. P. Bokovoy

CHAPLAINS TRAINING PROGRAM

The need for a course to prepare qualified chaplains for our medical institutions was presented. Further study will be given to this problem in view of making plans for such a course in the EZMH.

PHYSICIANS SELF-EVALUATION PROGRAM

A self-evaluation examination is available to physicians at a cost of \$35.00 per year which will enable doctors to keep abreast with medical practice while not having the opportunity of attending medical meetings, and so assist them in maintaining valid licenses required whenever they return to their homeland.

AGREED, To authorize the medical secretary to assess the interest of doctors in following such a program and present his findings at the time of the yearend committee.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Sec. pro tem

Officers as Steering Committee - 7:30 A.M., May 12, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

IMPACT - R. W. TAYLOR, EDIT AUGUST ISSUE

VOTED, To recommend that R. W. Taylor be asked to edit the August issue of IMPACT on behalf of A. H. Brandt who is to be on safari at that time.

TANZANIA - EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION

VOTED, That emergency measures be outlined for the administration of the Tanzania union in the event that the president is ordered to leave the country on short notice

Acting President - Hans Salzmann

" Secretary Treasurer - R. C. Megera

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 7:30 A.M. May 15, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg,  
C. E. Schmidt

By Invitation: C. D. Henri

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

UGANDA - DIVISION INTO TWO FIELDS

VOTED, To look with favor on the **proposal** that the Uganda Field be divided into **two fields and to recommend that this matter be referred to the Division Committee for consideration.**,

Officers' Meeting **with same members present at 9:15 A.M., May 16, 1972**

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

TU - EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION

VOTED, That during an emergency situation resulting from an order requiring the president of the Tanzania Union to leave the country, Hans Salzman is hereby appointed acting president of the Tanzania Union and R. C. Megera, acting secretary-treasurer.

If Hans Salzman is also required to leave the country, S. D. Otieno is hereby appointed acting president of the Tanzania Union and R. C. Megera, acting secretary-treasurer.

E. H. SEQUEIRA - CITIZENSHIP PROBLEMS

VOTED, To authorize E. H. Sequeira to travel to the U.S.A. after two years in connection with naturalization procedures. Then, after another two year period, he would again be allowed to travel to the U.S.A. for finalizing his citizenship problems. The Division to bear the cost of these two trips and they **are in lieu of furlough.**

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE - REIMBURSEMENT FOR RIOT DAMAGE

VOTED, To grant E\$7,000.00 from contingency fund to assist with the damages to personal property sustained by workers at Ethiopia Adventist College. *sent*

JOHN FRIEND, M.D. - PERMANENT RETURN CHANGED TO FURLOUGH

In view of the call of the TAD for Dr. John Friend, it was

VOTED, To recommend that the permanent return voted for Dr. Friend be changed to furlough.

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H. RAY DOYLE - PERMANENT RETURN CHANGED TO FURLOUGH

VOTED: To recommend that the permanent return for H. Ray Doyle be changed to furlough.

Meeting held at 8:25 A.M. May 17, 1972, with same members present.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

FAREWELL COMMITTEE

VOTED: To appoint an entertainment committee to be charged with the responsibility of planning social affairs such as farewells, etc.,

Mrs. B. Jacobs, Chairwoman  
Mary Ghazal  
Mrs. V. Gregg

HARATUN NAZIRIAN - CAR INSURANCE ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To approve the payment of 50% of the third Party Insurance for Hartune Nazirian based on what we normally pay for such coverage.

Meeting held at 8:00 A.M. May 18, 1972, with same members present.

By Invitation: R. D. Pifer

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

SDA CHURCH IN LEBANON - LEGAL BODY

Time was spent discussing the matter of the legal body, The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Lebanon, as well as other matters pertaining to the Division and its relationship to the government of Lebanon --no action was taken.

R. J. BURGESS - CONDUCT

After the departure of R. D. Pifer at this point, some discussion took place concerning Reg Burgess, a furloughing worker from Ethiopia, and some questions that have been raised since his departure on furlough --no action was taken.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 8:30 A.M. May 23, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg.

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

BASTA BISHAI - SUSTENTATION RATE

Council was sought from F. C. Webster and the former president of the Nile Union, Neal C. Wilson, concerning the circumstances surrounding the sustentation of Basta Bishai in Egypt. It was

VOTED, That in the light of information supplied by these brethren, no consideration can be given to the matter of altering the rate of sustentation for Brother Bishai.

MRS. ERNEST RUNGE - SALARY RATE

VOTED, That Mrs. M. Runge, a part-time worker, be paid at the rate of 81%.

Meeting held at 12:10 P.M. on May 23, 1972, with same members present.

JACK BOHANNON - SPECIAL ALLOWANCE

The Bohannons were preparing to go on permanent return and had sold most of their goods in anticipation of their departure. An invitation was extended to them to head the Division of Religion and Biblical Languages at Middle East College, which they have decided to accept provided certain financial problems can be satisfactorily solved. It was

*granted*

VOTED, To grant an ex-gratia allowance of \$500.00 to the Bohannons to assist in their unusual expenses.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon May 25, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

BRENDA COWLES - EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE ADVANCE

WHEREAS Miss Brenda Cowles will be studying at Collonges, France during the 1972-73 school year and fees are payable for the entire year in advance, it was

VOTED, To advance the educational scholarship grant for Miss Brenda Cowles for the 1972-73 school year to L. H. Cowles.

EGYPT EXCHANGE OF PERSONAL FUNDS

WHEREAS frequent requests come to hand for the exchange of personal funds between Egypt and Lebanon, it was

VOTED, To advise all such individuals that denominational policy does not permit us to enter into such transactions.

T. G. STAPLES - MARINE INSURANCE CLAIM PAYMENT

VOTED, To approve the suggestion that the marine insurance claim of T. G. Staples to the value of \$56.00, be met by the Division rather than process the claim through the insurance company for a net claim payment of only \$6.00.

Meeting held on May 30, 1972 at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.

By Invitation: Bekele Heye

Prayer: E. J. Gregg

ETHIOPIA - REGISTRATION OF LAND

WHEREAS, information has been received concerning problems existing in connection with the registration of land in Ethiopia with the possibility of considerable loss to the church should immediate action not be taken, it was

VOTED, To ask Pastor Bekele Heye to make a special trip to Ethiopia to assist in this registration problem, details concerning itinerary commitments in the Middle East Union, to be worked out by the Division Secretary.



Meeting held June 1, 1972, at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.

Prayer: M. E. Lind

TAPE OF THE MONTH - PURCHASE

VOTED, To authorize a subscription to the "Tape of the Month" to be made available to workers on a lending library basis.

R. H. HENNING - TRAVEL BUDGET

VOTED, To authorize R. H. Henning to exceed his travel budget for 1972 by an amount of up to LL 2,000.

HARLEY BRESEE - DELAY REPLACEMENT

VOTED, To recommend that no call be placed for a replacement for Harley Bresee for the present, the position to be reviewed at the yearend.

SANDRA LEE HESGARD - SALARY RATE

VOTED, To set the salary rate for Miss Sandra Lee Hesgard at 83%. She is under appointment to serve in the East African Union office.

J. N. KYALE - STUDY ALLOWANCE

WHEREAS J. N. Kyale has indicated that his present allowance for study at Philippine Union College is not sufficient, it was

VOTED, That J. N. Kyale be granted allowance in harmony with Afro-Mideast Division policy or his present allowance - whichever is larger. The financial advisor of the College has written that Brother Kyale's allowance is on the high side compared with other students from outside the Philippines.

Meeting held June 5, 1972, at 8:00 A.M. with same members present with the exception of E. J. Gregg, on furlough.

Prayer: M. E. Lind

ELHAM GUIRGUIS, DORA GUINDY - STUDENT COLPORTEURS TO SWEDEN

VOTED, To approve the recommendation of Middle East College that Elham Guirguis and Dora Guindy be recommended to the Northern European-West Africa Division as student colporteurs during the summer of 1972.

LARRY DAVIS - INSTITUTE OF MISSIONS

VOTED, To advise the General Conference that we deeply regret that we cannot approve the plan for Larry Davis to attend the Andrews Institute of World Missions, June 12 to July 21, since the East African Union has been without a treasurer for more than a year and this added time would result in serious harm to the work.

J. ALLEN SINES, DDS. - REQUEST FOR COUNSEL

AGREED, That the plan presented by Dr. Sines to send his son John to Far Eastern Academy and daughter Valerie to the States for next school year is acceptable, and further to inquire of Dr. Sines if he would consider serving in Nairobi following a furlough in 1973.

CHAPLAIN FOR HERI HOSPITAL

AGREED, To inquire if the Trans-Africa Division is willing to permit the Tanzania Union to deal directly with former ASHE graduates in the Central African Union in view of inviting one of them to come to Heri Hospital to serve as chaplain on the basis of locally employed workers.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

June 7, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - PAINT FOR BUILDING

VOTED, To authorize an expenditure of up to LL. 700.00 for materials required to paint the school, it being understood that work is being done by the staff, and that since this is not sufficient for painting the entire building, that it be painted either inside or outside, according to the greater need.

ERICK LINDEMAN - CALL TO TANZANIA

WHEREAS, Erick Lindeman has signed a contract for teaching during the 1972-73 school year and is also requiring surgery before coming out, it was

AGREED, That Erick Lindeman be placed under appointment to Tanzania but that he not be expected to go to the field until the end of the first semester or the end of the school year, as may be arranged.

MRS. JACK BOHANNON - EMPLOYMENT

AGREED, That Mrs. Jack Bohannon be invited to continue as secretary in the Division office on return from furlough, subject to clearance from Middle East College.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon

June 15, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer by M. E. Lind.

IBM TYPEWRITER - PURCHASE

VOTED, To approve the purchase of a Selectric IBM typewriter offered by Edward Skoretz.

MRS. CHAFIC SROUR - TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

AGREED, To recommend the termination of the employment of Mrs. Chafic Srou, since her son Sami has now finished his medical course, and it is desired to bring into the office someone who is a qualified secretary.

R. E. BLINCI - TRANSFER TIME

AGREED, That R. E. Blinci be transferred to Beirut when his work permit has been obtained.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary, pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon June 26, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer by M. E. Lind.

SALARIES - SUMMER SECRETARIAL HELP

Mrs. H. W. Cowles  
Gingie Cowles

80%

~~70%~~ 75%

RAYMOND HOLM - STUDENT MISSIONARY TRAVEL EXPENSE

Raymond Holm served as a student missionary in Ethiopia in 1969, previous to the organization of the Afro-Mideast Division. Neither the Ethiopian Adventist College, the (then) Northern European Division, nor the student missionary accepted the charge for travel to Ethiopia and return. In order to settle this matter, it was

VOTED, That the Division pay one-half the pending travel expense of Raymond Holm of ET\$ 1,631.25, and recommend to the Ethiopian Union that they pay the remainder.

DR. F. J. INOCENCIO - DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To grant an automobile depreciation advance to Dr. F. J. Inocencio of ET\$ 1,687.50.

ERICK CHRISTENSEN - DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To grant an automobile depreciation advance to Erick Christensen of ET\$ 1,800.00.

TYPEWRITERS - PURCHASE

VOTED, To authorize the purchase of two IBM typewriters, as follows:

1 IBM Selectric 16" Variable pica/elite model  
1 IBM Standard 19" Carriage

and to turn in on account the standard machine in the office of Mrs. R. H. Henning which has proven unsatisfactory.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary. pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

June 28, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

IKIZU SITUATION

Grave concern is felt for the safety of our overseas workers in Ikizu and it was

AGREED, 1. To counsel the Tanzania Union administration to give careful and immediate study to the advisability of moving the overseas workers away from Ikizu immediately, it being understood that if it is considered necessary for their safety, they be moved out of the country.

2. That if possible this message be conveyed personally to them by Elder C. D. Henri, who would assist them in making the decision.

OWEN R. D'COSTA - TRANSFER TO AUSTRALIA

AGREED, That if Owen R. D'Costa transfers to Australia, the Afro-Mideast Division grant him the equivalent of permanent return allowances to his homeland, England, and that all other expenses be personal. It would be our understanding that he would not be entitled to furlough privileges and that sustentation would be according to General Conference policy.

D.R.L. ASTLEFORD - POSSIBLE CALL TO ZAMBIA

AGREED, To inform the Trans-Africa Division that it will not be possible to consider a call for Elder D.R.L. Astleford, as we have other plans for him within the Division whenever he feels he can make a move.

R. L. BURGESS - SUGGEST PERMANENT RETURN

VOTED, To recommend to Elder Alf Lohne of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division, that in a careful way he suggest to R. L. Burgess that, in order to avoid stigma and the necessity of working under a nearly impossible situation, he take the initiative by requesting a permanent return.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

June 30, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

BUGEMA SUSTENTEE FARM MANAGER - EXPENSES

VOTED, That the Division provide the round-trip ticket for Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Houck for his trip to Bugema Adventist College, where he has accepted to serve as farm manager for a two-year period, it being understood that all other expenses will be the responsibility of the East African Union.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN - SUBSIDY

VOTED, To grant a subsidy of LL. 100.00 per month to the Beirut Overseas School to assist in the operation of a kindergarten for the 1972-73 school year, it being understood that all other expenses must be included in the school budget.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

July 3, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

By invitation: Bekele Heye

Prayer by M. E. Lind.

JON GREEN - FUTURE

A cable has been received from the General Conference, as follows:

TALKED WITH PALM CONCERNING JON GREEN STOP EXPRESSED  
WILLINGNESS FOR HIM RETURN ETHIOPIA SUGGESTING HE  
WRITE DIVISION AND UNION EXPRESSING INTENDED CO-  
OPERATION STOP GREEN WILLING DO THIS WRITING TODAY  
NEED YOUR CLEARANCE FOR DEPARTURE PLANS  
WILLIAMS

VOTED, To advise the General Conference that little confidence is felt among the workers of the Ethiopian Union in Jon Green, and that we doubt the wisdom of returning him to the field. But if the General Conference feels that he should return we will acquiesce.

REG BURGESS - FUTURE

VOTED, To authorize the Secretary to telephone the Northern Europe-West Africa Division regarding the Reg Burgess case, in view of the strong feeling in Ethiopia against his return from furlough.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem



OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon July 5, 1972

PRES. NT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer by M. E. Lind.

PAUL HORTON - VISIT VOICE OF PROPHECY BIBLE SCHOOL

AGREED, To advise the General Conference that the finances of the Division do not permit us to authorize Paul Horton to visit the Glendale office of the Voice of Prophecy, but suggest that he visit a radio Bible school on the east coast in connection with authorized fur-lough travel.

J. W. WHITEHOUSE - REQUEST FOR ADVANCED STUDY

AGREED, To advise the Middle East Union that the Division is not able to participate in any way with the suggestion that J. W. Whitehouse take advanced studies leading to a degree as doctor in Health Counseling.

IRAN COST OF LIVING BONUS

AGREED, To inform the Middle East Union that the policy requires that the base salary rate be set by the Division for every country in its territory, and that any variation from this must be approved by both the Union and the Division.

HEALTH FOOD FOUNDATION - COUNSEL

AGREED, To advise the Middle East Union that very careful study be given before attempting to begin a food factory that is or can be at any future time a financial responsibility of the denomination. Many food factories around the world have been a serious financial burden, so care must be taken. The following observations should be taken into consideration:

1. \$50,000 is not enough to make a satisfactory start.
2. We are admonished not to be yoked with unbelievers.
3. Any food factory should be entirely privately financed and operated.
4. Even to write up a set of objectives could be interpreted as involving the organization in responsibility.
5. The field must not become involved in any way with the operation, and funds for the purpose must not be passed through denominational channels, since this would lay the organization open to charges of being a commercial rather than a religious organization.

SUSAN ASMAR - EMPLOYMENT

Susan Asmar was employed on a 3-month trial basis April 12, 1972 (OM 72-27).

AGREED, To confirm the employment of Susan Asmar as secretary in the Division office, it being understood that for the present she work approximately 25 hours per week (mornings), and that this time be increased only when and if it is seen that more time is required.

DOGS ON DIVISION COMPOUND

In view of medical counsel to the effect that a dangerous type of tape worm may be transmitted by dogs from sheep and other animals to human beings, it was

AGREED, That dogs not be permitted to run loose on the Division compound.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

Ray L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon July 12, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

By invitation: O. C. Bjerkan, Bekele Heye

REG L. BURGESS - REPLY FROM NORTHERN EUROPE-WEST AFRICA DIVISION

Elder Alf Lohne, Secretary of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division, has replied to R. L. Jacobs' letter stating that in the opinion of the officers of the NEWAD, the Reg L. Burgess' case should be decided by the Ethiopian Union and the Afro-Mideast Division as he is employed by us.

It was further suggested that perhaps one representative from the Afro-Mideast Division could meet Brother Burgess in England and together with a representative of the NEWAD, the case might be finalized.

AGREED, 1. To instruct the Northern Europe-West Africa Division that Reg L. Burgess delay his departure time until H. W. Palm, now on furlough in the United States, has had an opportunity of counseling with him. And further, that we request a representative, preferably one of the officers of the NEWAD, to meet with Elder Palm for his interview with Reg Burgess in England about July 20 - 24.

2. That we inform H. W. Palm concerning this procedure.

3. That we advise the Ethiopian Union committee to pass on to Elder Palm their recommendation with regard to the case.

M. E. Lind, Chairman and  
Acting Secretary

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OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

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## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

August 11, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

EARL RICHARDS, DDS. - REFRESHER COURSE

Dr. Earl Richards, dentist in Atlanta, Ga., has indicated his willingness to accept the call of the East African Union to serve in the Nairobi Medical Service, but requests that he be permitted to take a refresher course in Loma Linda University.

AGREED, To authorize Dr. Earl Richards to be placed on salary and granted up to six weeks to take a refresher course in Loma Linda University Dental School at his own expense.

TARIME DISPENSARY - OPERATION BY MR. MTANGO

Brother Mtango, a faithful Adventist in Tarime, Tanzania, has requested sponsorship and supervision of a dispensary he desires to open, offering to pay Shs. 1,000 per month to assist in covering expenses involved in such supervision. The Tanzania Union has requested counsel.

AGREED, To advise the Tanzania Union that we have no objection to the plan for the Tanzania Union to sponsor the Mtango Seventh-day Adventist Dispensary, provided that the contract be carefully drawn up providing for release from the agreement if so desired, and for compensation for expense of supervision, etc.

DAR ES SALAAM PASTOR - SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

AGREED, To grant to the Tanzania Union a special assistance of Shs. 5,000 toward the expense of employing a pastor to follow up the interest from the Muganda effort.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP - COUNSEL TO TANZANIA UNION

Counsel has been requested regarding the membership of the Tanzania Union committee since some had assumed that the associate publishing secretary was a member.

AGREED, To advise the Tanzania Union that only the department head is a member of the Union committee, and that in no case would the associate also be a member.

V. L. ALMONTE - FURLOUGH

V. L. Almonte has requested an extra month furlough time in connection with the confinement of his wife, and permission to take the furlough in California where Mrs. Almonte's parents reside.

AGREED, To recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division committee that V. L. Almonte be granted a regular 3-month furlough, and further

To inform Brother Almonte that once they are on furlough they request an extension of one month for medical reasons, which request will be granted, and

That R. L. Jacobs be requested to consult with the General Conference officers regarding the salary rate and travel expense to be allowed the Almontes in connection with their request to take their furlough in America.

A. P. BOKOVOY - RECRUITMENT OF PHYSICIANS

Dr. A. P. Bokovoy has requested authorization to travel to California to recruit physicians for the Division.

AGREED, To authorize A. P. Bokovoy to travel to California to recruit physicians, it being understood that travel shall be by the most economical means feasible.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem



## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

August 10, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

BRIAN ELLINGWORTH - EMPLOYMENT BY TAD

The Trans-Africa Division has indicated its desire to employ Brian Ellingworth on a temporary basis, and request approval of the Afro-Mideast Division.

AGREED, To advise the Trans-Africa Division that we have no objection to their employing Brian L. Ellingworth it being understood

1. That the Afro-Mideast Division will be responsible for the equivalent of his permanent return from Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania, to his homeland until December 31, 1973.

2. That if he remains in the employ of the Trans-Africa Division beyond the December 31, 1973 deadline, the entire responsibility for his permanent return would be that of the Trans-Africa Division.

REG BURGESS - RETURN TO ETHIOPIA

Acting on the recommendation of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division officers and Hugo Palm, who interviewed Reg Burgess in England, but with some reservations on the part of the Ethiopian Union committee and the Afro-Mideast Division officers, it was

AGREED, To authorize the return of Reg Burgess to Ethiopia.

LA & MV SECRETARIES COUNCIL - SIGHT-SEEING

Upon the recommendation of the Division MV & LA Secretary, it was

AGREED, To the plan of allowing the LA & MV Secretaries who will be visiting Beirut November 8 - 11, 1972, to have one day for sight-seeing in connection with their attendance at the Council.

BEKELE HEYE - ADVANCE

AGREED, To advance \$200.00 to Bekele Heye to be used in repairing a house to be used by him while on furlough in order to avoid the expense of rental, it being understood that the advance will be repaid by March, 1973, at the rate of LL 100.00 per month beginning with October, 1972.

Adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MYDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon 11.15 a m August 15, 1972

PRESENT: M E Lind, R L Jacobs, D K Bazarra, C E Schmidt.

Prayer by D K Bazarra.

JOSEPH AZURI - SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

In consideration of the exceptional work and willing attitude in his work for the Division, it was

VOTED to grant a special assistance of LL 250.00 to Joseph Azuri who suffered a heart attack and has had to be hospitalized.

BOURJ HAMMOUD PRINCIPAL - BUDGET

Hugh Cowles was called from the East Mediterranean Field to serve in Middle East College as dean of men. Since his budget accompanied him, leaving the EMF with the responsibility of replacing him with a national budget, it was

VOTED to charge Middle East College for the equivalent of one national budget including servicing, this amount to be passed on to the East Mediterranean Field in order to make it possible for them to employ a replacement.

M E Lind, Chairman

R L Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon 9.30 a m August 18, 1972

PRESENT: M E Lind, C E Schmidt, D K Bazarra

BY INVITATION: O C Bjerkan, I Yacoub

Prayer by D K Bazarra.

UGANDA SITUATION

The Uganda situation was further discussed especially in view of the latest announcements that all professional personnel of Asiatic origin would be included in the general expulsion order of Asians living in Uganda.

In case Brother Sequeira should be affected, certain names as possible replacements as Principal of Bugema were studied.

LAWYER FOR AMD LEGAL AFFAIRS

AGREED to recommend to the Afro-Mideast Division Committee that a lawyer be employed on a retaining basis. Several names were discussed.

Dr O C Bjerkan and I Yacoub left at this point.

ELISHA OKEYO - TRAVEL EXPENSE

Elisha Okeyo, a student from Tanzania studying at our Philippine Union College, has now completed his studies. The Tanzania Union has no funds to provide for his return journey.

AGREED to authorize the Division Treasurer to pay for Elisha Okeyo's return journey.

NATHAN OGETO - REIMBURSEMENT

Nathan Ogeto, a student formerly associated with Bugema College and at present attending Andrews University, has now completed his studies there.

AGREED to consider Brother Ogeto as a National returning to his homeland, and that the amount advanced to him by the East African Union towards his education be considered as part of his final reimbursement according to policy.

I YACoub - EQUIPMENT ALLOWANCE

AGREED to grant I Yacoub an equipment allowance equal to 50% of LL 175 for the purchase of a tape recorder, according to policy.

M E Lind, Chairman

M E Lind, Secretary pro tem

Officers' Meeting

August 21, 1972

9.30 a m

PRESENT: M E Lind, C E Schmidt, D K Bazarra.

Prayer was offered by D K Bazarra.

E H SEQUEIRA - PLACEMENT

The Uganda situation was again under discussion, especially in view of the latest information having reached us by cable stating:

ADVISED SEQUEIRA MUST LEAVE BY 6 NOVEMBER SHOULD LEAVE SOONER  
DETAILS WHEN AVAILABLE

MOORES

it was

AGREED to advise H Palm, President of the Ethiopian Union, now furloughing in Sweden, as well as the East African Union that as of now the only place open to Brother Sequeira in our Division would be Ethiopia.

REPLACEMENT FOR E H SEQUEIRA

The following cable was sent to C D Henri of the East African Union:

ENDEAVOURING PLACE SEQUEIRA ETHIOPIAN STOP SUGGEST EAU CALL DUNDER  
REPLACE HIM STOP CABLE REPLY

LIND.

It was further

AGREED to place before the EAU the name of Brother G Dunder as a possible replacement for Brother Sequeira.

DR. GUNNAR WENSELL - CALL TO EZMH

R Williams of the GC Secretarial Department having advised us that Dr. Gunnar Wensell of the South American Division might be open for a call of we so desired, it was

AGREED to place such a call with the GC for Dr. Gunnar Wensell to connect with the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital ~~as~~ Medical Director. A telex was sent to the GC advising them of our desire on the firm understanding that Dr. Wensell had the full approval of the Medical Department of the GC.

M E Lind, Chairman

M E Lind, Acting Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 9.30 a m August 21, 1972

PRESENT: M E Lind, C E Schmidt, D K Bazarra

Prayer by D K Bazarra

UGANDA SITUATION - E H SEQUEIRA

The Uganda situation was again under discussion, especially in view of the latest information having reached us by cable and stating:

ADVISED SEQUEIRA MUST LEAVE BY 6 NOVEMBER SHOULD LEAVE  
SOONER DETAILS WHEN AVAILABLE MOORES.

It was

AGREED to advise H Palm, President of the Ethiopian Union, and now furloughing in Sweden, as well as the East African Union, that as of now the only place open for Brother Sequeira in our Division would be Ethiopia. The following cable was sent to C D Henri of the East African Union:

ENDEAVOURING PLACE SEQUEIRA ETHIOPIA STOP SUGGEST EAU CALL  
DUNDER REPLACING HIM STOP CABLE REPLY LIND.

It was further

AGREED to place before the East African Union the name of G Dunder as a possible replacement for E H Sequeira (see cable above).

DR GUNNAR WENSELL - EZMH MEDICAL DIRECTOR

WHEREAS R F Williams of the GC Secretarial Department has advised us that Dr Gunnar Wensell of the South American Division might be open for a call if we so desired, it was

AGREED to place such a call with the GC for Dr Gunnar Wensell to connect with the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital as its Medical Director. A telex was sent to the GC advising them of our desire, on the firm understanding that Dr G Wensell had the full approval of the Medical Department of the GC.

M E Lind, Chairman

M E Lind, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon                      September 7, 1972

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind

KERSTIN ENGDAHL - BOARD IN PRIVATE HOME TO ATTEND BOS

AGREED, To approve of Gunnar Engdahl's request for his daughter, Kerstin, to room and board with the Blincis during the school year 1972-73. This authorization is only given due to our lack of dormitory facilities, and will be for one year only. Financial conditions to be as if she was in our dormitory.

A. P. BOKOVOY - FIVE-DAY PLANS

AGREED, To advise Dr. Bokovoy to make his tour to the Persian Gulf States for 5-Day Plans in connection with his attending the Division Year-end meetings in Beirut.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - TEACHER FOR BOOKKEEPING

AGREED, To acquiesce in the request of the BOS for an accountant from the Division treasury department to teach academy bookkeeping, suggesting two periods of 45 minutes per week.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman and Secretary, pro tem

*Hamily Gharib - Educational Assistance  
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OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      September 11, 1972      8.15 a m

PRESENT:    M E Lind, D K Bazarra, C E Schmidt, E J Gregg,

BY INVITATION:    I Yacoub.

Prayer by C E Schmidt.

BUGEMA ADVENTIST COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

Having been advised by the East African Union that it was their desire to call Y Gwalamubisi as Principal at Bugema, it was

VOTED to pass on this call for Y Gwalamubisi to serve as Principal of Bugema Adventist College on the basis of a national returning to his homeland. The need is urgent.

R H Henning was invited to join the meeting at this stage.

ETHIOPIAN ADVENT PRESS EXTENSION

It was

AGREED that the revised plans for this project be forwarded to the General Conference with the request for assistance from the Publishing Rehabilitation Fund.

M E Lind, Chairman

E J Gregg, Secretary pro tem



Q-72-62

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon      September 14, 1972      8.00 a m

PRESENT: M E Lind, D K Bazarra, C E Schmidt, E J Gregg.

Prayer by D K Bazarra.

ETHIOPIAN UNION TO CALL E H SEQUEIRA

VOTED to advise the Ethiopian Union to place a call for E H Sequeira to serve as a replacement for O D'Costa as an evangelist.

M E Lind, Chairman

E J Gregg, Secretary pro tem

0-72-63

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon      September 18, 1972      11.15 a m

PRESENT: M E Lind, D K Bazarra, C E Schmidt, E J Gregg.

Prayer by E J Gregg.

EMERGENCY PLANS

VOTED to approve the plans submitted for care of personnel and property in the event of conditions arising which would necessitate protective measures being taken. Copies of the plans are in the hands of the officers.

C T SHAH M D - CALL TO ETHIOPIAN UNION

Due to the situation in Uganda Dr C T Shah might be available for placement elsewhere.

VOTED to invite him to connect with the work in the Ethiopian Union.

AUTHORIZATION OF CABLES TO DIAMOND AND SHAH

VOTED to authorize cables to Shah and Diamond in connection with the foregoing.

M E Lind, Chairman

E J Gregg, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Mexico City                      October 16, 1972                      9:15 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt

HERI ACCOUNTANT-PILOT - OPEN CALL

A copy of a letter from B. E. Seton to R. E. Clifford, received by M. E. Lind, indicates that David Swaine is not available for service in Heri, due to study plans, children's education, and the fact that the Trans-Africa Division considers him as belonging to that Division.

AGREED, To authorize the General Conference to seek to fill the call for an accountant-pilot to serve in Heri Hospital on an open-call basis.

FRITZ MARTINSEN - TANZANIA UNION LA SECRETARY

AGREED, To inform the Tanzania Union that we have no objection in case the committee desires to call Fritz Martinsen to serve as Union LA Secretary.

GARY MARSH - KAMAGAMBO TEACHER

AGREED, To inform the East African Union that we have no objection in case it is desired to call Gary Marsh to serve as Bible/English teacher in Kamagambo.

PHYSICIAN - DEBRE TABOR AND GIMBIE

The president of the Euro-Africa Division has indicated that it may be possible to find German physicians to fill calls in the Afro-Mideast Division.

AGREED, To authorize the General Conference to place a call with the Euro-Africa Division for two German physicians to serve in Debre Tabor and the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon            October 31, 1972            8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by M. E. Lind.

GIFT CASSETTES - MINISTERIAL DEPARTMENT

VOTED, To authorize the Ministerial Department to prepare a sample tape cassette for presentation to members of the committee.

INGER HANSEN - VISIT TO BEIRUT

VOTED, To authorize travel for Mrs. Inger Hansen (a furloughing worker from Ethiopia) and Mrs. Nora Juhl (on permanent return to Denmark from Ethiopia) to include the Afro-Mideast Division headquarters in their trip from Ethiopia to Denmark. The return trip to Ethiopia by Mrs. Hansen would be direct.

Meeting adjourned by prayer by E. J. Gregg.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

November 1, 1972

8:30 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

EAST AFRICAN UNION REPRESENTATION - YEAREND COMMITTEE

In view of the fact that the presidency of the East African Union is to be filled at the yearend meeting, it was

VOTED, To invite W. S. Edsell and P. E. Giddings who will be attending the Division Youth and Lay Activities Departmental Council, to attend the 1972 yearend committee meeting as additional representatives from East Africa.

CHILE CASPE - DATE OF PERMANENT RETURN

In view of the fact that Miss Chile Caspe served seven months over the usual two-year term during her first term of service, it was

VOTED, To recommend that her request to leave on permanent return as soon as she has completed her duties following the close of the present school year be granted. (See AMD 72-42)

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend to the Plans Committee that the following be appointed as a Spirit of Prophecy Advisory Committee:

D. K. Bazarra, Chairman  
A. P. Bokovoy  
R. C. Darnell  
E. J. Gregg  
R. H. Henning, Secretary

FRITZ MARTINSEN - TANZANIA UNION LA SECRETARY

VOTED, To reaffirm authorization (O-72-64) granting permission to the Tanzania Union to make direct contact with Fritz Martinsen (with approval from the East African Union) with a view to his serving as Lay Activities Secretary of the Tanzania Union. Should he accept this appointment he is hereby invited to attend the Division LA Departmental Council in Beirut.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - YEAREND COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend that the Nominating Committee to be appointed for service in connection with the 1972 yearend meeting be constituted as follows: (Following the principle usually used at the Division Council)

Division officers - M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg

General Conference - C. E. Bradford, R. M. Reinhard

East African Union - P. E. Giddings, W. S. Edsell, S. O. Omulo

AMD Departmental Secretary - Bekele Heye

Middle East College - O. C. Bjerkan

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon                      November 3, 1972                      9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M E Lind, R L Jacobs, C E Schmidt, D K Bazarra, E J Gregg

Prayer by R L Jacobs.

PURCHASE ADDITIONAL CHAIRS - AMD COMMITTEE/WORSHIP ROOM

VOTED, To authorize the purchase of additional chairs for the committee/worship room.

STUDENT MISSIONARIES - EXTENSION OF VISAS

VOTED, To ask Ignatius Yacoub, with others to be selected, to contact the immigration authorities with respect to the extension of visas for student missionaries in Lebanon.

E. H. SEQUEIRA - INVITED TO ATTEND YEAREND MEETINGS

VOTED, To recommend that E. H. Sequeira be invited to attend the yearend committee meetings.

Meeting held November 6, 1972 at 8:45 A.M. with same members present.

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

C. T. SHAH, MD - STATUS

Dr. C. T. Shah, an Asian physician expelled from Uganda, has been invited to connect with the medical work in Ethiopia. He could not go directly from Uganda to Ethiopia so has proceeded to England where he is at present. It was

VOTED, To seek counsel from the General Conference concerning his homeland status, recommending that England be considered as his home base. It would be necessary for Dr. Shah to determine his status in England.

MINISTERIAL STUDENTS - OBSERVERS

VOTED, To invite two or three ministerial students from Middle East College to sit as observers with the Division Committee during the first day's session.

M E Lind, Chairman

E J Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION  
Beirut, Lebanon      November 7, 1972      8:30 A.M.

PRESENT: M E Lind, R L Jacobs, D K Bazarra, C E Schmidt, E J Gregg

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

This meeting was with R. C. Darnell, President of the Middle East Union.

Elder Darnell spoke of the desires of the Middle East Union for:

1. Assistance with preparation and publication of the back-up material and literature for the Mission '73 Evangelism Program. The amount needed is to be submitted to the Division Treasurer as soon as possible.

2. Developing the Five-Day Plan to stop smoking as a means of opening doors in many parts of the Union territory. There have been requests for this material to be prepared for release on National Television in the different countries of the Middle East. The possibility of presenting the Five-Day Plan in book form is also being considered.

3. Presenting a scheme of health education as a means for reaching the Muslim population, incorporating

- a. health centers
- b. health foods - peanut butter, soya milk, etc.

4. Counsel in the matter of the indemnity settlement with Jad Katrib.

5. Damascus Center - ~~expropriation~~ not eminent.

6. The matter of the biennial sessions was discussed and it was recommended that the Middle East Union follow the general procedure of quadrennial sessions rather than biennial sessions.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      November 7, 1972      10:15 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer by E. J. Gregg.

This meeting was with O. C. Bjerkan, President of Middle East College.

The first matter mentioned was the resignation of George Ghazal as business manager of Middle East College.

It was also indicated that George Khoury who had requested study leave has now requested to defer that leave for two years.

The matter of marriage between workers with non-members was discussed. Some staff members in the College have presented problems in this respect.

Affiliation of the College with Loma Linda University was mentioned. It will be discussed on the Board Meeting, November 19.

Ignatius Yacoub, Academic Dean, plans to leave on study leave at the close of the present school year. Replacement should be decided upon in the May Board meeting or sooner.

The matter of the observance of certain Muslim holidays was discussed and it was to be referred to the Lebanon co-ordinating committee.

Accounting problems at the College were discussed.

Problems with maintenance were also mentioned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      November 8, 1972      2:30 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer by D. K. Bazarra.

This meeting was with C. D. Henri, President of the East African Union.

Pastor Henri briefly reported on the situation in Uganda. George Dunder has accepted the EAU call to serve as principal of Maxwell Preparatory School. The EAU is placing a call for Gary Marsh of Ikizu also to connect with Maxwell Prep. School.

It was recommended to the EAU that no facilities or staff be provided for church schools on the station campuses beyond the fourth standard (grade).

Recommended that M. Keith Dowell be granted immediate permanent return for personal reasons.

Lynn Belleau requests a change of work. His name is to be referred to the Distribution of Labour committee.

Recommended that Don Folkenberg be asked to serve as acting auditor for the EAU for the balance of his present term, ending August, 1973.

Elder Henri reported on the matter of the grievance certain discharged Voice of Prophecy workers have brought against the EAU and the disaffection of the Karatina church in the Central Kenya Field under the leadership of Pastor Andrew Gothemia.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      November 12, 1972      10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. Gregg

The four union presidents - R. C. Darnell, C. D. Henri,  
H. W. Palm, L. C. Robinson

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

VACATIONS - NOT EXTENDED -- Some committees have granted more than one month. When institutional workers must work on a legal holiday, this time is granted on another day and not added to the yearly.

FURLOUGH POLICY -- The new policy incorporating the idea of an initial 6-year term was explained briefly.

SELF-SUPPORT -- was discussed and some results obtained in East Africa were favorably mentioned. A plan is being studied to reduce gradually appropriations in view of using savings for new work.

STEWARDSHIP MANUAL IN SWAHILI -- Cost Shs 5/-- each for edition of 3,000. The unions can use very few. Suggest D. K. Bazarra, C. D. Henri, and L. C. Robinson bring a recommendation.

ITINERARIES -- Departmental Secretaries will be attending World Council in September/October so will not be available for the field.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS -- All travel on furlough or permanent return **should be cleared** with the Division beforehand.

DONATIONS FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS -- Three projects to be selected by each Division. (AC 95) Evangelism, new areas; Capital improvement; church buildings; scholarships. Each president to present suggestive projects to the secretary within 24 hours.

SUSTENTEE WORKERS - Sustentation benefits begin after approval by the Division. Overseas sustentees to be requested through the Division and the General Conference.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES -- Division to be advised immediately when overseas workers arrive and leave.

MINISTERIAL STUDENTS IN MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE -- Suggested that students be encouraged to come to MEC for ministerial studies.

SURPLUS MATERIALS -- Information was given regarding the possibility of securing government surplus materials.

Adjourned with prayer by C. D. Henri.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      November 12, 1972      3:00 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, C. E. Schmidt  
E. J. Gregg

The following Departmental Secretaries: A. H. Brandt, A. P. Bokovoy, R. H. Henning, Bekele Heye, R. W. Taylor, Ignatius Yacoub

Elder Lind read from ISamuel 12:6. "It is the Lord that advanced Moses and Aaron and brought the children of Israel out of Egypt."

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

RECOMMENDATION TO AMD COMMITTEE TO BUY OFFSET PRESS

VOTED, To recommend to the budget committee that provision be made for the purchase of a small offset press. The estimated cost is LL 6,000.00.

Request has been made by the Publishing Department for an increase in departmental expense budget.

Meeting held November 13, with same officers present.

DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES - TRAVEL BUDGETS

VOTED, To recommend that Division Departmental secretaries plan for not more than two trips to Africa during 1973 (including the trip to the midyear meeting in Addis Ababa), and that the expenses of attending the Departmental Secretaries' Council in the United States be a charge against their travel budgets. It is also recommended that budgetary provision be made from 1973 specials to supplement the added cost of the Council attendance.

Meeting at 3:30 P.M. with L. C. Robinson.

The matter of the "Spear" Boat for Lake Victoria was discussed. The future use of Kibidula as a mission station was discussed. This would utilize not more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the total land area. This would serve as a center for evangelism in the Kibidula area.

The time for transfer of F. Martinsen to the Tanzania Union was discussed.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      November 9, 1972      11:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, D. K. Bazarra,  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

This meeting was with L. C. Robinson, President of the Tanzania Union.

Elder Robinson briefly reported on the situation at Ikizu. Elisha Okeyo, the new headmaster at Ikizu, recently returned from Philippine Union College and has now taken up his duties and seems to be well received.

The possibility of receiving aid from the SIDA (a Swedish organization for aid to under-developed countries) for Ikizu was discussed. It was agreed to place a telephone call to the Swedish Union president to see if a mathematics teacher can be secured through this organization.

A site for the relocation of the Seminary now at Ikizu has been found near Arusha. Arrangements for this property have been made. Approval of these plans by the Division committee is requested. The cost of the property is Shs. 55,000/- plus transfer and survey fees. The officers approved these transactions and

RECOMMENDED, That the Division committee be asked to approve of this project.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

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OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

November 10, 1972

11:00 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, D. K. Bazarra, E. J. Gregg

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

This meeting was with H. Palm, President of the Ethiopian Union.

Elder Palm indicated a feeling that a Union Evangelist could be appointed in Ethiopia.

He then referred to the problems being encountered in securing entry permits for Dr. Shah and Elder Sequeira. Elder Sequeira's name to be referred to the Distribution of Labor Committee for temporary assignment until the matter of entry to Ethiopia can be finalized.

The possibility of a course for Hospital chaplains was discussed. It was suggested that a sustentation worker could be invited to carry on such a program in the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital.

There is a possibility of the hospital in Addis being designated as a recipient of the United States AID program. It is planned that such aid would be used for the staff housing and x-ray equipment.

P. W. Naesheim is serving as acting principal of the Ethiopian Adventist College. A call has been placed with the General Conference for a replacement.

Dr. L. N. Wright is asking permission to leave three months early on permanent return. It is thought that Dr. John Gardner could replace Dr. Wright at Gimbie Hospital.

Pastor Gioma Dampite is requesting permission to study at Andrews University for his Masters' degree, beginning in 1973. This request should be processed by the Ethiopian Union Committee and the Division Bursary Committee.

The problem of a farm manager at Ethiopian Adventist College was discussed.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon November 14, 1972 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. J. Gregg

By Invitation: O. C. Bjerkan, George Ghazal

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

HENRI MELKI - RENT SUBSIDY

VOTED, To recommend that rent subsidy be paid Henri Melki for the housing occupied by Mrs. Melki and the children from June 18, 1971 to June 30, 1972, on the basis of the old M. E. Division policy, i.e. 37½% of salary for Mrs. Melki.

Meeting held November 23, 1972 at 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, Bekele Heye, C. E. Schmidt,  
E. J. GreggPUMP ON COMPOUND - NEW CASING AUTHORIZED

WHEREAS, The casing of the well on the Division compound has rusted out, thus permitting sand and mud to clog the pump, it was

VOTED, To authorize the installation of a new casing in the well and repairs to the pump. The estimated cost is LL 8,000.00.

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

Meeting held November 24, 1972 at 7:50 A.M. with same members present.  
By Invitation: R. C. Darnell, Rafic Issa

EAST MEDITERRANEAN FIELD - FINANCIAL SITUATION

The problem facing the East Mediterranean Field was brought to the officers of the Division. The Field has shown an operating loss to September 30, 1972 of over LL 70,000.00. Operating cash is non-existent and the field is unable to meet November salaries and other commitments. These problems are due largely to the devaluation of the dollar in relation to the Lebanese currency,

The representatives from the Middle East Union feel that the Union is able to assist with the immediate needs for November, but that in December they would probably not be able to grant such assistance. It was

VOTED, To authorize the Middle East Union to make a further advance of funds to the East Mediterranean Field.

GEORGE NEHME - REQUEST FOR RE-EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To inform George Nehme that the Afro-Mideast Division regrets that there is not now an opening for which he can be re-employed.

DALE BOHANNON - EDUCATIONAL AND TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To inform Jack Bohannon that the Division will be prepared to pay the fare for Dale from Tennessee to Beirut, which would be equal to returning him from furlough, but that further travel assistance for his return to the school in the states after Christmas and the trip to Beirut again after the close of the school year cannot be given. It is agreed that the same allowance provided by denominational policy for study in the U. S. schools be granted for Dale's study in the states during the present 1972/73 school year. (\$540.00 for the school year.)

TANZANIA AND EAST AFRICAN UNIONS SUSTENTATION RATES - MODIFICATION

VOTED, To grant increases to sustentation beneficiaries in the Tanzania and East African Unions on the following basis:

- a. Increase of Shs 20/- per month for those receiving up to Shs 100/-per mo.
- b. Increase of Shs 15/- per month for those receiving Shs 101/- to 200/- "
- c. Increase of Shs 10/- per month for those receiving Shs 201/- to 300/- "
- d. No " to those receiving above Shs 300/- per month.

RADIO STUDIO OPERATION - VOLKER HENNING

VOTED, To authorize the employment of Volker Henning as a student operator of the Division radio studio at an hourly rate of LL 1.50. Charges for studio time in recording would be at 200% of the operator's hourly rate.

A. P. BOKOVOY - EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE EZMH

Due to the shortage of medical staff at the EZMH in Addis Ababa, it was

VOTED, To advise all the unions that Dr. A. P. Bokovoy will not be available for special itineraries outside of Ethiopia until Hospital staffing problems can be satisfactorily solved.

DR. JOHN GARDNER - GIMBIE HOSPITAL

VOTED, To approve the recommendation of the Ethiopian Union that Dr. John Gardner replace Dr. Lester Wright at the time of the Wrights' departure on permanent return.



R. W. TAYLOR - LIAISON OFFICER WITH WHITE ESTATE

VOTED, To ask R. W. Taylor to assume the responsibility of liaison with the E. G. White Estate to foster promotion of Spirit of Prophecy in the Afro-Mideast Division. It is also recommended that Elder Taylor be appointed as chairman of the subcommittee set up by the AMD action 72-127.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      December 27, 1972      7:50 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, Bekele Heye  
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by Bekele Heye.

Elder Lind gave a brief report on the meetings of the yearend councils of the Tanzania, East Africa, and Ethiopia Unions.

ETHIOPIA FAMINE RELIEF

VOTED, To recommend to the Division Committee that E\$ 2,000.00 be granted for famine relief in the Debre Tabor region of Ethiopia. These funds to be used in the provision of food and that in the distribution of this food, religion of recipients be not considered.

CHURCH BUILDING REQUESTS

VOTED, To inform the General Conference that there are two church projects in the Afro-Mideast Division that are considered urgent.

Nairobi	\$40,000
Dongora (South Ethiopia)	\$15,000

MIDYEAR COMMITTEE HOTEL RESERVATION

VOTED, To recommend that accomodation for those attending the midyear Division meetings in Addis Ababa be arranged in the Ras Hotel on a bed-breakfast basis.

CURTIS BARGER - VISIT POSTPONED TO 1974

In view of the 1973 itinerary for Bekele Heye which includes his furlough, followed immediately by the World Departmental Council, it was

VOTED, To recommend that the proposed visit of R. Curtis Barger to the Afro-Mideast Division be deferred until 1974.

BOURJ-HAMMOUD - PAYMENT OF BACK TAXES

VOTED, To authorize the payment of back taxes and penalties for late payment on the Bourj-Hammoud church.

TREES - AUTHORIZE REMOVAL

VOTED, To authorize the removal of the two large eucalyptus trees next to the south end of the Division office building due to the problem being experienced to the office drains by the roots of these trees.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

## OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon      December 28, 1972      9:25 A.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, Bekele Heye, E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by Bekele Heye.

D. L. FOLKENBURG - PERMANENT RETURN

VOTED, To advise D. L. Folkenberg that it is the opinion of the Division officers that his needs for assistance while pursuing his desired course of Hospital Administration would be best met by his requesting a permanent return.

MARY KHALIL - REST HOME

VOTED, To approve the action placing Mrs. Mary al Khalil in a convalescent home at LL 310.00 per month. Her sustentation benefits are to be applied toward this expense.

IBRAHIM MAKDISI - IDEMNITY ASSISTANCE TO MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE

VOTED, To grant LL 1,500 from the Reserve for Settlements and Indemnities to Middle East College in connection with the resignation of Ibrahim Makdisi.

1973 MIDYEAR COMMITTEE - INVITATIONS

VOTED, To recommend that the following workers be invited to sit with the Division Midyear Committee in Addis Ababa:

Tebedge Guddaye	Principal of EAC
L. G. Diamond	Negassa Aga
Henry Scoggins	Frederick Wangai
Paul Horton	W. S. Edsell
	R. Burgess

1973 RADIO/TV COUNCIL - UNION PRESIDENTS TO ATTEND

VOTED, To record that all Union presidents are invited to attend the Division Radio/TV and Public Relations Council in Addis Ababa.

1973 MIDYEAR COMMITTEE - RECORDING SECRETARY

VOTED, To authorize Pat Swan to travel to Addis Ababa to serve as recording secretary in connection with the Midyear committee meetings.

TANZANIA UNION CESSNA 206 - OPERATION AS DIVISION PLANE

The offer of Dr. Walter Martin for the Cessna 206 to be operated as a Division plane with the Division supplying a full-time pilot for the plane and Dr. Martin the funds for annual registration fees, inspections, fuel, insurance, and maintenance, was discussed. It was

VOTED, To acknowledge with gratitude this generous offer but to observe that the stipulation that the plane be made available to L. C. Robinson for two weeks each month would pose problems which are difficult to solve.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

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OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

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