MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE

March 11, 1968, 2:00 P. M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

F. C. Webster, R. E. Anderson, H. C. Lamp, L. C. Miller, R. C. Mills, Chafic Srour, K. L. Vine, R. W. Wilmot, George Yared, R. L. Jacobs

By Invitation: Naim Awais, Boutros Ghazal, George Ghazal, Ignatius Yacoub

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Prayer was offered by L. C. Miller.

68/46 R. D. HYDE--FURLOUGH PLANS

In harmony with his request, and in view of the fact that he is remaining in the field for more than four months past his furlough date, it was

VOTED, To approve travel by air for R. D. Hyde from Tehran to Denver and return by Birmingham, Alabama, and that his furlough time be extended by two weeks. RLJ

68/47 CYPRUS SECTION--APPROVAL FOR PURCHASES

In harmony with the request of the Cyprus Section, it was

VOTED, That the Cyprus Section be authorized to purchase the following items of equipment to be charged to excess operating capital:

Automatic slide projector with close-up lens		
and two portable screens	Cyl 116.750	
Tape recorder	109.000	
Copy stand	15.000	
Slide-synchronizer for tape recordings	10.000	
Two auxiliary speakers for tape recorder	20.000	RCM

68/48 ARABIC SONGBOOK FOR CHILDREN--PUBLICATION

VOTED, To authorize the Sabbath School Department to publish an edition of 200 Arabic songbooks for children (words only) in mimeographed form at a cost of approximately LL 600.00, it being understood that this expense be charged to the Sabbath School Department budget and that the books be retailed to the churches at LL 3.00.

68/49 GEORGE KHOURY--ASSISTANCE FOR THEFT

VOTED, To grant to George Khoury an assistance of the equivalent of JD 5.000 representing half of that stolen from his room while he was conducting an evangelistic campaign in the Irbid church in Jordan.

68/50 ARABIC MV READING COURSE BOOKS FOR 1968

VOTED, That the following books be approved for the Arabic Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses for 1968:

Senior

Secret of Happiness, by Billy Graham Great Controversy, by Ellen G. White A Guide to the Bible, by Sickle Seel How to Win Friends and Influence People, by Dale Carnegie

Junior

Silver Wings, by Abraham Matar
Excellent Student in a High Institution and Other Stories,
by Dr. Walter Wilson
Treasures of Snow, by Paterisia Singin
Golden Gates, by Abraham Matar

Primary

Between the Feet of the Elephant, by Alfred Saad Stories from the Holy Book, Translated from Our Home Bible Story Book, Vols. 1 and 2

68/51 NILE UNION ACADEMY--CURRICULUM

The Egypt Section has requested counsel regarding the curriculum of the Nile Union Academy. The present course offered, though comprehensive and quite adequate for the preparation of ministerial and office workers, does not make it possible for students to obtain a valid secondary certificate which is a basic requirement for those entering teaching and certain other professional lines in their homeland, regardless of advanced studies taken elsewhere. Since problems having to do with Sabbath observance present students from sitting for the Tawgihiya examinations, it was

VOTED, To recommend to the Egypt Section that the Nile Union Academy adopt a secondary curriculum paralleling that of Middle East Secondary School in order that students might transfer to this institution for their senior year, sit for the Lebanese Baccalaureate examinations, and be eligible for entrance into Middle East College, and further,

VOTED, To pass on to Middle East Secondary School a request for Jad Katrib to make a trip to Egypt to assist in the preparation of a curriculum for Nile Union Academy and in the selection of texts and supplementary material required for the implementation of the above recommendation. RLJ

68/52 OPERATING BUDGET--1968

VOTED, To approve the 1968 operating budget for the Middle East Division as presented and filed in the treasurer's office. RCM

68/53 TRAVEL OUTSIDE DIVISION -- JOSEPH KHOURY, SIEGFRIED SCHWANTES

In harmony with the recommendation of the Middle East College Board, it was

VOTED, That Joseph Khoury and Siegfried Schwantes be permitted to take their vacations in the United States and in Europe, respectively, during the summer of 1968.

Adjourned at 3:15 p.m. Closing prayer by George Yared.

F. C. Webster, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE

March 25, 1968, 4:00 P. M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

F. C. Webster, R. E. Anderson, W. J. Clemons, Salim Japas, L. C. Miller, R. C. Mills, Chafic Srour, K. L. Vine, R. W. Wilmot, George Yared, R. L. Jacobs DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Prayer was offered by Salim Japas.

68/54 PAINTING FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE

The General Conference Secretarial Department has requested a painting, typical of the Division territory, for the General Conference hallway. It was

VOTED, To authorize the purchase of a suitable painting to be chosen by the Division officers and given to the General Conference. RCM

68/55 MISSION EXTENSION PROJECT--1968

VOTED, That the proceeds of the Mission Extension offering for 1968 be assigned to the Iran Adventist Academy to apply toward the construction of necessary additional classrooms.

68/56 ITINERARIES

VOTED, To approve itineraries, as follows:

F. C. Webster	April 8 - 10 (Formerly April 1	Egypt	
	May 23 - 26	Cyprus	
R. L. Jacobs	April 5 - 7	Cyprus	
	1 26 - 28	Jordan	
R. C. Mills	March 11 - 14	Rome	
	April 26 - 28	Jordan	
Salim Japas	April 12 - 20	Syria	
George Khoury	April 12 - 20	Syria	RLJ

68/57 MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE--HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference the call of Middle East College for a Business Administration teacher, preferably with a Ph.D., but with a minimum of a Master's degree in Business Administration, to serve as Head of the Department of Business Administration, beginning with the 1968-69 school year. RLJ

63/58 MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE--SEWER SYSTEM

In harmony with the recommendation of the Middle East College Board, it was

VOTED, To advance LL 25,000.00 on 1969 Specials for Middle East College to apply toward the completion of the sewer system as required by the municipality.

RCM

68/59 MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE--REPRESENTATIVE FROM LOMA LINDA

In harmony with the recommendation of Loma Linda University and the action of the Middle East College Board, it was

VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference a call for Dr. E. Heppenstall to represent Loma Linda University on the campus of Middle East College for 1968-70 terms in harmony with the affiliation agreement, it being understood that he will teach Bible and Applied Theology, and serve as Associate Pastor of the College Park Church.

Adjourned at 4:20 p.m. Closing prayer by R. E. Anderson.

F. C. Webster, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary