MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEETING

Beirut, Lebanon May 4, 1970 3:50 P. M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

F. C. Webster, J. A. Aikman, R. C. Darnell, John Hasso, Rafic Issa, R. L. Jacobs, Salim Japas, Jad Katrib, Maurice Katrib, George Khoury, R. C. Mills, Manoug Nazirian, Chafic Srour, K. L. Vine George Yared

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Opening prayer was offered by George Khoury.

70/115 R. L. FENN - AUTHORIZATION TO ATTEND GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION

VOTED, To request Columbia Union College to permit Elder and Mrs. R. L. Fenn to attend the first weekend of the 1970 General Conference session, June 11 - 13, 1970, at Middle East Division expense.

FCW

70/116 GRANT MACAULAY - TEACHERS' INSTITUTES

VOTED, To pass on to Middle East College a request for Dr. Grant Macaulay to hold Teachers' Institutes, as follows:

Jordan Section June 23 - July 2
Lebanon Section July 6 - July 8
Egypt Section July 12 - July 16
RLJ

70/117 BISHARA AZIZ - CALL TO ETHIOPIA

VOTED, To pass on to Bishara Aziz the call of the Northern European Division for him with his wife to serve as a nursing team at the Asaita Clinic in Ethiopia, effective March 1, 1970. RLJ

70/118 IRAN SECTION - CALL FOR PASTOR-EVANGELIST

VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference the call of the Iran Section for a pastor-evangelist to replace R. D. Hyde. RL

70/119 TRAVEL PERMISSIONS

VOTED, To grant permission for the following workers to travel outside the Division as indicated:

Europe	Aug. 9 - 23, 1970
USA	Five weeks as arranged
Europe	Aug. 31 - Sept. 13, 1970
Europe	July 12 - Aug. 24, 1970
Europe	Sept. 1 - 21, 1970
Germany	June 22 - July 31, 1970
USA	July 1 - Aug. 7, 1970
Greece	Aug. 23 - Sept. 12, 1970 RLJ
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70/120 JAD KATRIB - EGYPT SECTION EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

VOTED, To pass on to Middle East Secondary School the request of the Egypt Section for Jad Katrib to travel to Cairo to attend a special educational committee May 6 - 7, it being understood that expense for this trip will be paid by the Division. RLJ

70/121 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION - SPECIAL VISITORS

VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference a request that General Conference session visitors' cards be issued to the following persons, entitling them to seats in the special section reserved for overseas visitors:

Elder and Mrs. A. E. Ashod
Miss Esther Feltus
Mr. and Mrs. John Hasso
Miss Anoosh Keshishzade
Mr. and Mrs. Issa Kharma
Dr. and Mrs. D. C. Ludington
Elder and Mrs. D. O. McDaniel
Mr. and Mrs. Henri Melki
Elder and Mrs. Semir Shahine

RLJ

70/122 MRS. VIRGINIA LAMB - PERMANENT RETURN

VOTED, To rescind Middle East Division action No. 70/102 approving a furlough for Virginia Lamb, and pass on to the General Conference her request for a permanent return, effective July 1, 1970.

RLJ

70/123 DIVISION ACTING HOSTESS - MRS. R. C. DARNELL

VOTED, To name Mrs. Mary Darnell acting hostess for the Division at a salary of LL 100.00 per month. RCM

70/124 E. H. TUCKER - VOLUNTEER SERVICE IN CYPRUS

E. H. Tucker, a sustentation beneficiary of Yucaipa, California, has offered to serve in Cyprus on a volunteer basis without salary. It was

VOTED, To accept the offer of E. H. Tucker to serve in Cyprus on the following basis:

- 1. The initial period of service shall be for a period of one year, it being understood that continuation of service beyond one year will be subject to review and mutual agreement between Brother Tucker and the General Conference.
 - 2. The Middle East Division shall pay the following:
- a. Round-trip transportation by economy air fare at the lowest rate obtainable by regular carrier from Brother Tucker's home to Cyprus.
- b. Air freight, insurance and customs on a maximum of 100 kilos of personal effects shipped as unaccompanied baggage.
 - c. An outfitting allowance of \$100.00.
- d. A living allowance equal to the difference between the sustentation rate in the Middle East Division and that in North America.
- 3. Furnished living quarters will be provided and subsidized above 10% of the Cyprus 100% salary figure. RLJ

70/125 GARY GRAY - PERMANENT RETURN

Gary Gray arrived in Turkey October 12, 1969, but for personal reasons requests a permanent return. It was

VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference the request of Gary Gray for a permanent return, effective April 30, 1970. RLJ

70/126 JACK THOMPSON - FURLOUGH AND STUDY LEAVE

The Iran Section requested Jack Thompson to remain in the field until his replacement could arrive and enter upon his duties. It was

VOTED, To approve the plan for Jack Thompson to leave for furlough on May 15, 1970 and to begin his study program (MED 70/21) at the beginning of the fall term. RLJ

70/127 IRAN SECTION - SERVICE REQUEST FOR J. H. SEGAR

VOTED, To pass on to Middle East College the request of the Iran Section for J. H. Segar to make monthly trips to Iran to assist in the treasury department in the absence of the treasurer. RLJ

70/128 IRAN SECTION - ACTING PRESIDENT

VOTED, To appoint Hovik Sarrafian acting president of the Iran Section in the absence of Harold L. Gray on furlough. FCW

70/129 RAFIC ISSA - AUTOMOBILE AUTHORIZATION

WHEREAS, An automobile is required in connection with the duties assigned to Rafic Issa, it was

VOTED, To grant an authorized automobile for Rafic Issa.

RCM

70/130 ANDREWS UNIVERSITY - COURSES FOR G. C. DELEGATES

VOTED, To authorize the cost of one workshop or course (room in residence hall and tuition) in Andrews University as approved by the Division administration for delegates authorized to attend the 1970 General Conference session.

70/131 TERRI NICKELL - ATTENDANCE AT FAR EASTERN ACADEMY

VOTED, To grant the request of R. D. Nickell to send his daughter Terri to the Far Eastern Academy for the 1970-71 school year in harmony with the following provisions:

- 1. R. D. Nickell shall be responsible for the payment of the account in harmony with the financial policy of the school, it being understood that funds for actual school expenses may be passed through the organization at the fixed rate of exchange and that the Far Eastern Academy shall be authorized to pass through to the Middle East Division a charge for any unpaid balance at the end of the school year.
- 2. Two round-trip economy plane fares for travel actually undertaken by the student shall be paid by the Division between the student's home and Singapore, one trip being for the school year and the other for the Christmas vacation. All other travel expense (with the exception of required documentation which shall be paid by the Division) including excess baggage, hotels, handling of baggage, local transportation, etc. shall be considered personal expense to be paid by the parents.
- 3. Educational allowance shall be granted by the Division in harmony with the provisions of the Educational Allowance Policy (MED WP 108-109A).
- 4. The Middle East Division shall pay \$550.00 to the Far Eastern Academy toward the operating expense of the academy for the 1970-71 school year.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 P. M. John Hasso offered the closing prayer.

F. C. Webster, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary