

interference with the political affairs of any nation being specifically prohibited." The motion was seconded. Upon being put to a vote, it was adopted.

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized George Shands (WI) who moved to amend the motion by the deletion of the phrase in the fifth paragraph of the resolved section: "except of its own current and former employees under clear guidelines." The motion was seconded. There was discussion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was lost.

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized Jerome Storm (ME) who moved to amend the motion by changing the wording in what is now paragraph 7 to read: "Under no circumstances shall any person revealing criminal activities of the Central Intelligence Agency personnel to appropriate congressional and executive oversight bodies be considered criminal for such revelation." The motion was seconded. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was adopted.

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized John Irvine, Jr. (CAC) who moved to amend the motion by adding the words to the beginning of the amendment adopted in the previous motion so that it will read: "Requests the Congress to prepare legislation to insure that under no circumstances shall any person revealing criminal activities of the Central Intelligence Agency personnel to appropriate congressional and executive oversight bodies be considered criminal for such revelation." The motion was seconded. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was adopted.

It was

75-GS-54 VOTED: The General Synod adopts as amended the substitute resolution on the Central Intelligence Agency:

RESOLUTION ON CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

In the days preceding this meeting of the Tenth General Synod, the Commission on Central Intelligence Agency Activities within the United States made its report public. As persons who believe in a God of Love, openness, and truth and in a society based upon principles of justice, equality and citizen participation we are disturbed by the whole concept of covert intelligence gathering by nations. We believe that nations should seek to use the instruments of negotiation, reconciliation, and mutual agreement, rather than putting their trust in such activities as those of the Central Intelligence Agency and its counterparts in other nations.

Acknowledging that in the real world of 1975 relations among nations, intelligence agencies will exist, the Central Intelligence Agency (or its successor) among them, we, therefore, want to suggest ways in which the various intelligence agencies of the United States can operate to avoid the gross and shocking activities reported by the Rockefeller Commission. We welcome the investigation for it is a sign of a nation's health when its intelligence gathering apparatus can be subjected to public scrutiny. Such an investigation should not founder on the rock of assumed national security. At stake is our ability to exist as a free people and our impact upon the community of nations.

The Rockefeller Commission has documented significant illegal spying upon U.S. citizens by the Central Intelligence Agency. The report reveals agreements within the Department of Justice through which the Central Intelligence Agency would judge itself. Both President Ford and Vice President Rockefeller have indicated that repeated consideration has been given within the Central Intelligence

Agency to assassination attempts against foreign leaders. Such activities as these cannot continue if this nation is to have any integrity, at home or abroad.

Therefore, the Tenth General Synod of the United Church of Christ:

1. Calls upon all citizens to read the Rockefeller report and subsequent reports and to communicate their views to the President and members of Congress;

2. Urges the select committee of the House of Representatives and the Senate to continue their investigation to the fullest possible conclusion;

3. Asks the Department of Justice to determine whether any persons accused of crimes in the course of activities alleged to be illegal by the Rockefeller and subsequent investigative teams should be prosecuted;

4. Requests the President or the Congress to prepare legislation through which the intelligence gathering activities of the Central Intelligence Agency and other federal agencies may be brought to close scrutiny and governance within democratic and constitutional principles;

5. Requests the Congress by law and oversight to prohibit domestic surveillance by the Central Intelligence Agency except of its own current and former employees under clear guidelines;

6. Urges that the Congress of the United States limit the activities of the Central Intelligence Agency to the gathering and evaluation of information, and that covert paramilitary action and interference with the political affairs of any nation being specifically prohibited;

7. Requests the Congress to prepare legislation to insure that under no circumstances shall any person revealing criminal activities of Central Intelligence Agency personnel to appropriate congressional and executive oversight bodies be considered criminal for such revelation.

8. Urges the President and the Congress to pursue diligently alternative modes of international relations—through the United Nations, patterns of mutual agreement, disarmament and inspection arrangements.

8. RESOLUTION TO PRESIDENT FORD WITH REGARD TO MAKE-UP ON THE PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE ON REFUGEES

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized Dr. Washburn. On behalf of the business committee Dr. Washburn moved the adoption of the resolution to President Ford with regard to make-up on the Presidential Task Force on Refugees introduced by the Hawaii Conference. Mr. Vander Ploeg was recognized and moved an amendment to the motion to adopt a substitute resolution concerning the make-up on the Presidential Task Force on Refugees. The motion was seconded, and it was

75-GS-55 VOTED: The General Synod adopts the substitute resolution on the make-up of the Presidential Task Force on Refugees:

RESOLUTION ON THE MAKE-UP OF THE PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE ON REFUGEES

WHEREAS the formation of the Task Force on refugees was in direct response to the emergency situation in South-east Asia;

WHEREAS the vast majority of these refugees are Asians—ethnically and culturally;

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WHEREAS the Task Force named by President Ford has no Asians or Asian Americans;

THEREFORE, the Tenth General Synod requests that President Ford appoint Asians or Asian Americans to the Task Force.

This concluded the report of Division D.

9. RECOGNITION OF OTHER ECUMENICAL GUESTS

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized President Moss who stated that we have ecumenical representatives not only from overseas but also from within our own shores. He said that one of the great things about the United Church of Christ is that it does provide leadership for ecumenical councils. President Moss asked the General Synod to recognize the President of the National Council of Churches, the Rev. W. Sterling Cary the Conference Minister of Illinois, and the Rev. Hartland H. Helmich, Associate General Secretary of the National Council of Churches.

10. A PERIOD OF WORSHIP

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized Chaplain Gilliom who led the General Synod in a period of reflection and refreshment, concluding with the singing of the hymn "Have Thine Own Way."

11. REPORT OF DIVISION F, "THE CHURCH AND WORLD ISSUES"

Assistant Moderator recognized Mrs. Janice White, chairperson of Division F, who suggested a time frame for the consideration of the items to be reported by the Division; the World Food Crisis, 30 minutes; Transnational Business, 20 minutes; Proposal on Southern Africa, 30 minutes; Resolution on Indo-China, 15 minutes; and the Overture on the Bicentennial, 15 minutes.

12. THE WORLD FOOD CRISIS

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized Dr. Washburn. On behalf of the business committee Dr. Washburn referred the delegates to the materials received in the proposed Pronouncement and Proposal for Action on the World Food Crisis submitted by Robert V. Moss, the resolution from the Central Atlantic Conference on World Food Hunger found in Advance Materials, Section II, p. 231, the Overture from the Central Atlantic Conference to Combat World Hunger, the proposed amendment from the Connecticut Conference on Public Policy Imperatives, the Resolution from the Hawaii Conference on Third World People on the Advisory Commission, and the Covenant on the World Food Crisis submitted by the New Hampshire Conference and moved their adoption. The motion was seconded. Mr. Elicker indicated that with the consent of the General Synod consideration of the World Food Crisis issue will be divided into two parts, first the pronouncement and second the proposals for action.

Mrs. White was recognized and moved to amend the motion to adopt an alternative to the Pronouncement on the World Food Crisis. The motion was seconded and there was discussion. Motions were made and adopted to modify language and it was

75-GS-56 VOTED: The General Synod adopts as amended the alternative Pronouncement section on the World Food Crisis.

Mrs. White was recognized and moved to adopt the alternative to the Proposals for Action on the World Food Crisis which would include the insertion of the words "population

stabilization" in goal V of the section on Resource Allocation and the insertion of a new paragraph 5 in Objectives of Component IV on Fund Raising.

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized Dr. Wade M. Kornegay (MA) who moved to amend the motion to delete the proposed paragraph 5 in the Objectives of Component IX on Fund Raising and insert paragraphs 5 and 6 as follows:

"5. To instruct the Treasurer of the United Church of Christ to establish a Hunger Fund account, and to allocate to that fund all monies coming to his office from the Conferences and from the churches which are designated for Hunger but not earmarked for any specific Instrumentality, region or project.

6. To authorize the Executive Council to approve a budget for the co-ordination and implementation of the Hunger Program approved by the General Synod; to allocate funds to cover that budget as a first claim from monies which accumulate in the Hunger Fund; and to allocate such additional funds as may come in annually to appropriate hunger-related projects and programs. The motion was seconded. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was adopted.

It was

75-GS-57 VOTED: The General Synod adopts as amended the alternative Proposals for Action Section on the World Food Crisis.

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized Mary McWilliams (MO) who moved to amend the section on Co-ordination and Implementation to add a section:

4. That a significant number of women be made representatives to any group or committees which are convened to deal with the World Hunger issue."

The motion was seconded. Mrs. Jean Edwards of the business committee was recognized and moved to amend the amendment that it be changed to read: "That special efforts be made to include farmers, youth, women, and ethnic and racial minorities in the co-ordination and implementation of this proposal." The motion was seconded and upon being put to a vote the amendment to the amendment was adopted. A motion was made, seconded and adopted to add the phrase at the end of the first sentence in paragraph 2 of the Co-ordination and Implementation section to read "and a representative of the Council of Conference Executives."

Assistant Moderator Elicker recognized Donald Clark (CAC) who moved an amendment to the section on Co-ordination and Implementation to replace paragraph 1 with a new paragraph as follows:

"The Executive Council accept responsibility for the co-ordination of this action program on World Hunger. It will render progress reports to the Conferences and Churches and an evaluative report to the Twelfth General Synod together with recommendations regarding the future of the program."

The motion was seconded and there was discussion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was lost.

75-GS-58 VOTED: The General Synod adopts as amended the section on Co-ordination and Implementation on the World Food Crisis.

It was

75-GS-59 VOTED: The General Synod adopts as amended the Pronouncement on "The World Food Crisis."