

sion. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior acts:

July 1, 1943, ch. 182, title I, 57 Stat. 277.  
 July 2, 1942, ch. 472, title I, 56 Stat. 474.  
 June 28, 1941, ch. 258, title I, 55 Stat. 271.  
 May 14, 1940, ch. 189, title I, 54 Stat. 187.  
 June 29, 1939, ch. 248, 53 Stat. 891.  
 Apr. 27, 1938, ch. 180, title I, 52 Stat. 253.  
 June 16, 1937, ch. 359, title I, 50 Stat. 267.

#### SUBCHAPTER VI—UNITED NATIONS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION

##### § 279. United States membership in the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization

The President is hereby authorized to accept membership for the United States in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (hereinafter referred to as the "Organization") the Constitution of which is set forth in appendix I of the First Report to the Governments of the United Nations by the Interim Commission on Food and Agriculture, dated August 1, 1944.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, § 1, 59 Stat. 529.)

##### § 279a. Authorization of appropriations for payment of United States expenses in Organization; limitation of contributions

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be required for expenditure under the direction of the Secretary of State, for the payment by the United States of its proportionate share in the expenses of the Organization: *Provided*, That the percentage contribution of the United States to the total annual budget of the Organization shall not exceed 33.33 per centum.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, § 2, 59 Stat. 529; Sept. 21, 1950, ch. 976, § 1(b), 64 Stat. 902; Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 937, title IV, § 421, as added July 18, 1956, ch. 627, § 8(n), 70 Stat. 559; Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 937, title V, § 544(b), as added Pub. L. 85-141, § 11(b)(2), Aug. 14, 1957, 71 Stat. 365; Pub. L. 87-195, pt. IV, § 709, Sept. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 465.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1961—Pub. L. 87-195 struck out provisions which limited the annual appropriations to not more than \$3,000,000.

1957—Pub. L. 85-141, § 11(b)(2), added section 544(b) to act August 26, 1954, which section 544(b) amended this section by increasing the maximum percentage contribution from 31.5 to 33.33 per centum.

1956—Act July 18, 1956, increased authorized annual appropriation from \$2,000,000, to \$3,000,000, and inserted provisions limiting percentage contribution of United States to total annual budget to not more than 31.5 per centum.

1950—Joint Res. Sept. 21, 1950, increased authorized annual appropriation from \$1,250,000 to \$2,000,000.

#### REPEALS

Section 709 of Pub. L. 87-195, cited as a credit to this section, was repealed by section 401 of Pub. L. 87-565, pt. IV, Aug. 1, 1962, 76 Stat. 263, except insofar as section 709 affected this section.

Section 544(b) of act Aug. 26, 1954, cited as a credit to this section, was repealed by Pub. L. 85-477, ch. IV, § 401(h), June 30, 1958, 72 Stat. 270, except insofar as such section 544(b) affected this section.

Section 421 of act August 26, 1954, cited as a credit to this section was repealed by section 8(n) of Pub. L.

85-141, except insofar as section 421 affected this section.

#### SIMILAR PROVISIONS

Similar provisions were contained in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1946, act July 5, 1946, ch. 541, title I, 60 Stat. 453.

#### ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS

Annual appropriations to meet the obligations of membership in various international organizations were contained in acts listed in a note set out under section 269a of this title.

#### LIMITATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions by United States, except for special projects, limited to amount provided by Joint Res. Sept. 21, 1950, consent by State Department and reports to Congress, see section 262a of this title.

##### § 279b. Integration of International Institute of Agriculture with Organization

In adopting this subchapter, it is the sense of the Congress that the Government of the United States should use its best efforts to bring about, as soon as practicable, the integration of the functions and the resources of the International Institute of Agriculture with those of the Organization, in a legal and orderly manner, to effect one united institution in such form as to provide an adequate research, informational, and statistical service for the industry of agriculture.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, § 3, 59 Stat. 530.)

##### § 279c. Congressional authority necessary for acceptance of new obligations in Organization

Unless Congress by law authorizes such action, neither the President nor any person or agency shall on behalf of the United States accept any amendment under paragraph 1 of article XX of the Constitution of the Organization involving any new obligation for the United States.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, § 4, 59 Stat. 530.)

##### § 279d. Limitation on power of Conference to impose new obligations on United States

In adopting this subchapter the Congress does so with the understanding that paragraph 2 of article XIII does not authorize the Conference of the Organization to so modify the provisions of its Constitution as to involve any new obligation for the United States.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, § 5, 59 Stat. 530.)

#### SUBCHAPTER VII—SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION

##### § 280. Representation in South Pacific Commission; appointment of commissioners and alternates

The President is hereby authorized to accept membership for the United States in the South Pacific Commission, created by the Agreement Establishing the South Pacific Commission, signed on February 6, 1947, at Canberra, Australia, by delegates representing the Governments of Australia, the French Republic, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America, and