members of the official delegation from the persons recommended to him by the Council.

### (c) Authorization of appropriations and payments

For the purposes of this section there is authorized to be appropriated an amount equal to the assessment for United States membership in the Centre for fiscal years 1979, 1980, 1981, and 1982: *Provided*, That no appropriation is authorized and no payment shall be made to the Centre in excess of 25 per centum of the total annual assessment of such organization. Authorization for payment of such assessments shall begin in fiscal year 1981, but shall include earlier costs.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title II, §206, as added Pub. L. 91–243, §2, May 9, 1970, 84 Stat. 204; amended Pub. L. 93–54, §1(b), July 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 139; Pub. L. 94–422, title II, §201(8), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322; Pub. L. 96–199, title I, §114, Mar. 5, 1980, 94 Stat. 71; Pub. L. 106–208, §5(b), May 26, 2000, 114 Stat. 319.)

#### AMENDMENTS

 $2000{\rm -Subsec.}$  (c). Pub. L. 106–208, made technical correction to directory language of Pub. L. 96–199. See 1980 Amendment note below.

1980—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 96–199, as amended by Pub. L. 106–208, substituted "there is authorized to be appropriated an amount equal to the assessment for United States membership in the Centre for fiscal years 1979, 1980, 1981, and 1982" for "there are authorized to be appropriated not more than \$175,000 per year for fiscal years 1977, 1978, and 1979" in the existing provisions and inserted provision that the authorization for the payment of assessments should begin in fiscal year 1981 but should include earlier costs.

1976—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 94-422 substituted provisions authorizing appropriations of not more than \$175,000 per year for fiscal years 1977, 1978, and 1979 for provisions authorizing appropriations of not more than \$100,000 in fiscal year 1974, \$100,000 in fiscal year 1975, and \$125,000 in fiscal year 1976 and struck out "effective Lanuary 1, 1974" after "Provided That"

January 1, 1974," after "Provided, That". 1973—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 93-54 added subsec. (c) and repealed former subsec. (c) authorizing appropriation of \$100,000 annually for fiscal years 1971 through 1973.

#### § 470o. Transfer of personnel, property, etc., by Department of the Interior to Council; time limit

So much of the personnel, property, records, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds employed, held, used, programed, or available or to be made available by the Department of the Interior in connection with the functions of the Council, as the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall determine, shall be transferred from the Department to the Council within 60 days of the effective date of this Act.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title II,  $\S 207$ , as added Pub. L. 94–422, title II,  $\S 201(9)$ , Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The effective date of this Act, referred to in text, probably means the effective date of Pub. L. 94-422, which was approved on Sept. 28, 1976.

## § 470p. Rights, benefits, and privileges of transferred employees

Any employee in the competitive service of the United States transferred to the Council under the provisions of this section shall retain all the rights, benefits, and privileges pertaining thereto held prior to such transfer.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title II,  $\S 208$ , as added Pub. L. 94–422, title II,  $\S 201(9)$ , Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322.)

#### § 470q. Operations of Council; exemption

The Council is exempt from the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (86 Stat. 770), and the provisions of subchapter II of chapter 5, and chapter 7, of title 5 shall govern the operations of the Council.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, §209, as added Pub. L. 94-422, title II, §201(9), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Advisory Committee Act (86 Stat. 770), referred to in text, is Pub. L. 92–463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is classified to the Appendix of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

#### CODIFICATION

"Substituted in text for "the Administrative Procedure Act (80 Stat. 381)" on authority of Pub. L. 89–554, §7(b), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 631, the first section of which enacted Title 5, Government Organization and Employees

#### § 470r. Transmittal of legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments, to any officer or agency of the United States prior to submission thereof to Congress; prohibition

No officer or agency of the United States shall have any authority to require the Council to submit its legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments on legislation to any officer or agency of the United States for approval, comments, or review, prior to the submission of such recommendations, testimony, or comments to the Congress. In instances in which the Council voluntarily seeks to obtain the comments or review of any officer or agency of the United States, the Council shall include a description of such actions in its legislative recommendations, testimony, or comments on legislation which it transmits to the Congress.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title II,  $\S210$ , as added Pub. L. 94–422, title II,  $\S201(9)$ , Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322; amended Pub. L. 96–515, title III,  $\S301(k)$ , Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2999.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1980—Pub. L. 96-515 struck out provision requiring the Council, whenever it transmits any legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments on legislation to the President or Office of Management and Budget, to concurrently transmit copies thereof to the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs and the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

# § 470s. Rules and regulations; participation by local governments

The Council is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as it deems necessary to govern the implementation of section 470f of this title in its entirety. The Council shall, by regulation, establish such procedures as may be necessary to provide for participation by local