

RESOLUTION ON  
U.S. NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO

- WHEREAS, The United States has withdrawn from membership in the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) effective December 31, 1984; and
- WHEREAS, The Council of the American Library Association has on three occasions (January 1984, June 1984 and January 1985) noted the importance of UNESCO-related programs in support of the free flow of publications and other forms of information across national boundaries and world wide equality of access to information; and
- WHEREAS, The United States National Commission for UNESCO, which includes representation from the American Library Association and many other non-governmental organizations concerned with the several UNESCO program areas, provides an important vehicle for citizen participation in the formulation of government policy on UNESCO matters; and
- WHEREAS, ALA President E.J. Josey on March 22, 1985, urged that Congress assure that funds continue to be authorized, appropriated and expended by the Department of State to support the work of the Commission; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the American Library Association call upon Congress to authorize and appropriate \$250,000 per year to support the work of the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO in FY 1986 and FY 1987, as provided for in H.R. 2068; and be it
- FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to appropriate members of Congress, to the Secretary of State and to the United States National Commission for UNESCO.

Adopted by the Council of the  
American Library Association  
Chicago, Illinois  
July 10, 1985  
(Council Document #47.7)