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Representatives and observers from some 30 under-developed countries are currently in Cairo to attend a 10-day economic conference on the problems of developing nations (See Table attached). The conference, originally promoted by Yugoslavia and the UAR, has since attracted additional sponsors from nine Afro-Asian countries. Delegates from twelve other Afro-Asian states and four Latin American countries, as well as observers from four other Latin American nations, will be present.

The agenda, which as late as April was supposedly to be restricted to technical discussions among economic experts, has since been expanded to cover trade and general economic problems. One of the subjects to receive much attention at the conference will be the impact of the Common Market on the less-developed countries. This is suggested not so much by the final agenda, which appears all-inclusive, as by the national representation at the conference. Of the sixteen African nations who are associating with the Common Market only three - Mali, Somalia, and the Congo Republic - will be represented at Cairo. Of the non-associated states, however, ten are taking part in the conference.

That the conference may have strong anti-Western overtones is suggested by the fact that the eleven sponsoring nations have together received almost \$3 billion in Bloc economic aid, in which all but one - Libya - have shared. The majority of the sponsoring nations also have received or are now negotiating for Bloc military assistance. Moreover, nine of the sixteen nations sending delegates to Cairo have received Bloc aid totalling another \$1 billion. Of the major recipients of economic assistance from the Bloc only Syria and Iraq are not represented at the Cairo conference. On the other hand, because the representatives are in large part "technical experts" rather than leading political figures, because most of the agenda items are of a technical nature, and because the Egyptian Government has given the US Government assurances on the matter, there is a good chance that the conference will limit the propagandistic element in the presentations.

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Bloc Economic Aid Recipients at Cairo Conference

Million US \$

<u>Sponsoring Nations</u>	<u>Total Bloc a/</u>	<u>USSR</u>	<u>US b/</u>
Ceylon	58	30	82
Ethiopia	114	102	126
Ghana	196	95	32
Guinea	110	58	4
India	949	811	3300
Indonesia	641	368	400
Libya	0	0	140
Mali	85	44	3
Sudan	23	23	62
United Arab Republic	615	509	577
Yugoslavia	111	73	1406
	<u>2902</u>	<u>2113</u>	<u>6132</u>
<u>Nations Sending Delegates</u>			
Afghanistan	410	403	182
Algeria	0	0	0
Bolivia	0	0	209
Brazil	4	0	1582
Burma	91	7	93
Cambodia	65	6	229
Congo Republic	0	0	20
Cuba	357	200	40
Cyprus	1	0	8
Lebanon	0	0	78
Mexico	0	0	525
Pakistan	33	33	1618
Somali Republic	63	57	15
Tanganyika	0	0	14
Tunisia	46	28	267
	<u>1070</u>	<u>734</u>	<u>4880</u>
<u>Nations Sending Observers</u>			
Chile	0	0	521
Ecuador	0	0	79
Uruguay	0	0	59
Venezuela	0	0	153
			<u>812</u>

a. Includes 1954-61. During the first half of 1962 the USSR extended additional credits totaling \$228 million (Cuba, \$100 million; Afghanistan, \$104 million; Guinea, \$13 million; and Mali, \$11 million). Several of the European Satellites extended credits totaling \$65 million (UAR, \$57 million; Guinea, \$2 million; Mali, \$2 million; and Morocco, \$5 million).

b. Includes 1946-61. Includes AID commitments, PL 48 sales agreements (Title I), authorizations (Title II), and donations (Title III), and Export-Import Bank authorizations.

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