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**APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGREEMENTS BY SPECIALIZED AGENCIES**

The Secretary-General submits for the information of the General Assembly the following notification of approval by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations of the Draft Agreement entered into between it and the United Nations:

**FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS**

16 October 1946

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the Second Session of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations approved the Draft Agreement of 10 June 1946 between the United Nations and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. In this Draft, Article IX (Relations with the International Court of Justice) was left blank pending further consideration by the Economic and Social Council. The Conference sustained the position taken by the Negotiating Committee of FAO that FAO should receive the same right of access to the Court as that provided for in the Draft Agreement between the United Nations and the International Labor Organization.

The Director-General of FAO was, however, instructed to sign the Agreement, upon its approval by the General Assembly, on these terms. Should the Assembly not concur in the position of the Conference on Article IX, the Director-General was authorized to sign the agreement without any article on this subject and to continue discussions with the United Nations and report thereon to the next Session.

Although I have not received an official communication from the Economic and Social Council, it has been brought to my attention that the Council discussed the provision on relations with the International Court of Justice and agreed to recommend that FAO receive the same rights as those granted to the International Labor Organization. Should this be the case, the Agreement will then be open for mutual signature upon approval of the agreement without change, by the Assembly.

I have the honor to report, further, that the Conference emphasized the importance of bringing the agreement into force as soon as possible in order that close working relationships may be established with the United Nations.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Conference, I am transmitting the approved text of the resolution on relations with the United Nations.

I have the honor to be, Sir  
Your obedient Servant

John Boyd Orr (sgd)  
Director-General