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on 17 September 1953

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30. Transfer to the United Nations of functions and powers exercised by the League of Nations under the Slavery Convention of 25 September 1926: draft protocol prepared by the Secretary-General
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