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RULES FOR THE CALLING OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCES BY THE
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

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(adopted on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/1632))

The General Assembly,

Having considered the draft rules for the calling of non-governmental conferences by the Economic and Social Council, which were submitted by the Secretary-General after consultation with the Council,

Approves the following rules for the calling of non-governmental conferences by the Economic and Social Council:

Rule 1

The Economic and Social Council, after consultation with the Secretary-General, may at any time decide to call a non-governmental conference on any matter within its competence.

Rule 2

1. When the Council has decided to call a conference, as provided for in rule 1, it shall:

- (a) Prescribe the terms of reference;
- (b) Fix the date, the place and the appropriate duration of the conference and prepare its provisional agenda;
- (c) Determine who shall be invited;
- (d) ~~Make recommendations~~ make recommendations for financing, subject to the applicable regulations, rules and resolutions of the General Assembly;
- (e) ~~Make such other arrangements~~ make such other arrangements in connexion with the conference as it sees fit.

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2. In applying rule 2, sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph 1, the Economic and Social Council shall, when it decides to invite non-governmental organizations, have regard to the terms of Article 71 of the Charter. National organizations without consultative status may be invited only after consultation with the Member of the United Nations concerned.

3. The Council may decide to entrust the Secretary-General with any of the tasks mentioned in sub-paragraphs (b), (d) and (e) of paragraph 1. It may also authorize him to make such modifications as circumstances may require in carrying out any decision of the Council made pursuant to sub-paragraphs (b), (d) and (e).

Rule 3

The Secretary-General shall notify all Members of the United Nations of the Conference and shall send them copies of the provisional agenda. He shall also inform each Member State of the invitations issued.
