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**CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL
COURT OF JUSTICE AND THE REGISTRAR SHALL HAVE THEIR
TRAVEL EXPENSES REFUNDED**

Article 32(7) of the Statute of the International Court of Justice provides *inter alia*, that the General Assembly shall fix the conditions under which members of the International Court of Justice and the Registrar shall have their travelling expenses refunded.

The following draft regulations, drawn up after consultation between the Registrar and the Secretary-General, are based upon the same principles as those governing the provisional Travel Rules for the Secretariat, which were drafted in accordance with the rules proposed by the Advisory Group of Experts in their First Report on Administrative Personnel and Budgetary Questions to the Secretary-General. The regulations are submitted for the consideration and approval of the General Assembly.

THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE
PROVISIONAL TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE RULES

Travel Expenses

1. The United Nations shall pay subject to the conditions of these Regulations the travel expenses of the members, and of the Registrar of the International Court of Justice, necessarily incurred on duly authorized official journeys.

A duly authorized official journey shall consist of:

(a) Where the person concerned is obliged by the Statute, or decides to reside at the seat of the Court,

(i) a journey from his home at time of appointment, to the seat of the Court, in connection with the transfer of his residence;

(ii) a return journey every second calendar year after the year of appointment from the seat of the Court to his home at the time of appointment;

(iii) a journey upon termination of appointment from seat of the Court to his home at the time of appointment, or to any other place provided that the cost of the journey is not greater than the cost of a journey to his home at the time of appointment.

Where the wife and/or dependent children of a member of the Court or of the Registrar resides with him at the seat of the Court the United Nations shall reimburse their travel expenses for journeys as above.

(b) Where a member of the Court does not reside at the seat of the Court: one return journey for himself and one near relative each year from his home at the time of his appointment, to the seat of the Court, provided such journey is necessarily undertaken on official business at the decision of the Court or at the request of the President.

(c) When a session of the Court is held at a place other than the seat of the Court; the journey necessarily performed in attending the session.

(d) Other journeys on official business, undertaken with the authority of the President.

2. Travel expenses shall comprise actual transportation costs by ordinary first class transport on railroads, airlines, steamboat, and other usual means of conveyance, and shall include expenses normally incidental to transportation, e.g., taxicab fares from station, etc.

The cost of transportation of baggage in excess of weight or size carried free by transportation companies will not be allowable as an expense unless the excess is necessarily carried for official business reasons.

3. All travel will be by the most economical route: provided that travel by other routes may be allowed under written authority of the President when the official necessity therefore is satisfactorily established, but in other cases the travel expenses and subsistence allowances payable shall not exceed the amounts which would have been payable had the journey been by the most economical route.

Subsistence Allowances

4. A per diem allowance in lieu of subsistence expenses shall be paid to members of the Court and to the Registrar while in official travel status under 1 (a) (i), 1 (a) (iii), 1 (c) or 1 (d) above. The per diem will be regarded as covering all charges for meals, lodging, fees and gratuities to waiters and others, and other personal expenses.

5. The rates of subsistence allowance shall be \$25 (U.S.) for the President and \$20 (U.S.) for members of the court and the Registrar for each period of twenty-four hours after the time of departure.

Where the traveller receives either full subsistence (i.e. breakfast, lunch and dinner) or accommodation, but not both, at United Nations expense the rates of allowance shall be reduced to \$12. Where the traveller receives both full subsistence and accommodation at United Nations expense (e.g. where the cost of a passage includes both) he shall be paid an allowance of \$3 per day.

6. (a) Where a member of the Court or the Registrar, undertaking an official

journey, is accompanied by his wife and/or dependent children, and the transportation costs of the dependents are payable from United Nations funds (see section 1 (a)), a subsistence allowance of one-half of the appropriate rate payable to the member of the Court or to the Registrar in respect of that journey will be payable in respect of each dependent.

(b) Where dependents are travelling unaccompanied on an authorized journey, under 1 (a) (i) or 1 (a) (iii), the full rate of subsistence allowance will be payable in respect of one adult and one-half of that rate to each other dependent.

Application and Duration of Subsistence Allowance

7. Subsistence allowance shall be payable while the traveller is in travel status, i.e., while performing temporary duty at a place to and from which it is impracticable for him to travel daily from his home or from the seat of the Court, provided that no allowance shall be payable in respect of periods of leave or absence taken during periods of temporary duty.

Submission and Payment of Accounts

8. A detailed expense account must be rendered in support of each claim for reimbursement of travel expenses or subsistence allowances as soon as possible after completion of the trip. The claims should show every item of expense except where such expenses are to be covered by a subsistence allowance, and every advance drawn from any United Nations source, and must, as far as possible be supported by receipts showing the service to which the payment is related. All expenses must be shown in the actual currency in which they were made and must be certified as having been necessarily and solely incurred in the discharge of the official business of the Court.

Effective Date

9. These regulations shall become effective as of 1 January 1947. Journeys completed before that date shall be dealt with under the Travel Regulations of the Permanent Court of International Justice.

Amendment of Regulations

10. These regulations may be modified on the authority of the President of the Court, all such modifications being subject to approval by the next session of the General Assembly.
