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683 (VII). Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fourth session

The General Assembly,

Pending its consideration in due course of the questions dealt with in the report¹ of the International Law Commission covering the work of its fourth session,

Takes note of the report.

*391st plenary meeting,
6 November 1952.*

684 (VII). Methods and procedures of the General Assembly for dealing with legal and drafting questions

The General Assembly,

Considering that it is desirable to introduce adequate methods and procedures for dealing with the legal questions with which it is concerned, while leaving its

¹ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventh Session, Supplement No. 9.*

Committees sufficient latitude for conducting their proceedings concerning matters within their competence,

Taking note of the report² and recommendations of the Special Committee established under resolution 597 (VI) of 20 December 1951,

1. *Recommends:*

(a) That, whenever any Committee contemplates making a recommendation to the General Assembly to request an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice, the matter may, at some appropriate stage of its consideration by that Committee, be referred to the Sixth Committee for advice on the legal aspects and on the drafting of the request, or the Committee concerned may propose that the matter should be considered by a joint Committee of itself and the Sixth Committee;

(b) That, whenever any Committee contemplates making a recommendation to the General Assembly to refer a matter to the International Law Commission, the Committee may, at some appropriate stage of its consideration, consult the Sixth Committee as to the advisability of such a reference and on its drafting;

² See document A/2174.