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Annotated Supplementary List of Agenda Items

The Supplementary List of items for the agenda of the Sixth Regular Session of the General Assembly was issued on 11 October 1951 (Doc. A/1900). It contains nine items.

These are listed below with background notes for information.

This release supplements Press Release GA/672 which annotated the 58 items on the Provisional Agenda.

Additional items may still be submitted for Assembly consideration in accordance with Rule 15 of the Assembly Rules of Procedure.

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SUPPLEMENTARY LIST

- (1) Draft Protocol relating to the Status of Stateless Persons:
item proposed by the Secretary-General.

[NOTE: During its fifth session, the General Assembly decided to convene a conference of plenipotentiaries to draft and sign a Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and a Protocol. The Conference met in July 1951, when it drafted and signed the Convention. However, it decided not to draft a Protocol, and has referred the question back to the Assembly (Doc. A/1913).]

- (2) Appointment to fill a vacancy created in the United Nations Staff Pension Committee by the resignation of Dr. A. Nass: Item proposed by the Secretary-General.

[NOTE: Dr. Nass was elected by the fourth session of the General Assembly as alternate on the 9-member Committee, of which the Assembly elects three members and three alternates. Dr. Nass's term of office expires on 1 January 1953, and the Assembly will elect a successor for the rest of his term. Documentation will be issued later.]

(more)

- (3) Application of the Headquarters Agreement to representatives of non-governmental organizations: item proposed by the Economic and Social Council.

[NOTE: Article IV of the Headquarters Agreement between the UN and the United States provides for representation of non-governmental organizations at UN Headquarters. At its last session, the Economic and Social Council discussed the Secretary-General's report on the application of these provisions. It has requested the General Assembly to examine the matter and make arrangements for the attendance of non-governmental organizations at discussions of the Assembly or its Committees on problems which concern such organizations and are within the competence of the Economic and Social Council. A background document will be issued later.]

For other Assembly agenda items on the work of the Council, see the Provisional Agenda (Press Release GA/762, items 26-30).]

- (4) Admission of new Members. Right of candidate States to present proof of the conditions required under Article 4 of the Charter: item proposed by Peru.

[NOTE: Article 4 of the Charter states that Membership is open "to all peace-loving states which accept the obligations in the present Charter and, in the judgment of the organization, are able and willing to carry out these obligations." Peru requested the inclusion of this item by letter dated 4 October (Doc. A/1887/Rev.1). The Peruvian delegation will submit an explanatory memorandum later.]

- (5) Questions concerning the liquidation of the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation: Item proposed by France.

[NOTE: The International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation was established by the League of Nations. In 1946, the General Assembly of the United Nations transferred the Institute's assets to UNESCO, which took over the Institute's library and furniture. No arrangements have, however, been made for claims outstanding against the Institute, such as salaries and pensions. Since the Institute's headquarters were in Paris, claims have been addressed both to France and the United Nations.]

- (6) Violation by France in Morocco of the Principles of the Charter and the Declaration of Human Rights: item proposed by Egypt, by Iraq, and by Lebanon.

[NOTE: In similar communications dated 4, 6, 8 and 10 October (Docs. A/1894, 1898, 1904, 1908, 1918), Egypt, Iraq and Lebanon (and later Saudi Arabia and Syria) asked for inclusion of this item.

Explanations submitted by Egypt and Syria stated that "the conflict between France and Morocco, due to the claims of the Moroccan Government and people, has again reached a highly critical phase."

The explanatory notes go on to say that this state of affairs not only constitutes a violation of the Treaty of 1911 but is incompatible with the aims of the Charter and infringes its provisions and those of the Declaration of Human Rights. "The friendly representations made to the Government of France by the Arab League States have proved unsuccessful," the memoranda state, they feel obliged to bring the matter to the General Assembly "to satisfy the just aspirations of the Moroccan people and avoid the developments to which the state of tension might give rise."

A letter from Yemen on 9 October (Doc. A/1909) supports the Egyptian request.]

- (7) Financial and economic provisions in respect of Eritrea arising out of paragraph 19 of Annex XIV of the Treaty of Peace with Italy: item proposed by the United Kingdom.

[NOTE: The fifth session of the General Assembly resolved that Eritrea was to be federated as an autonomous unit under Ethiopian sovereignty by 15 September 1952. According to paragraph 9 of Annex XIV of the Peace Treaty -- which deals with economic and financial provisions for ceded Italian territory, other than colonies -- questions on the disposal of Italian interests were to form part of the general disposal of the former colonies.

The United Kingdom is Administering Authority for Eritrea during the interim period. In its explanatory note (Doc. A/1925), the United Kingdom considers that the Assembly should now adopt a resolution on economic and financial provisions for Eritrea, similar to that passed on Libya during the fifth session. They will submit a draft resolution after consultation with Ethiopia and Italy.]

- (8) Consideration of the Assembly's methods and procedures for dealing with legal and drafting questions: item proposed by the United Kingdom.

[NOTE: Inclusion of this item was requested by the United Kingdom in a letter dated 5 October (Doc. A/1897).

An explanatory memorandum is to follow.]

(9) Admission of new Members: item proposed by El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras.

[NOTE: In telegrams dated 6 October, El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras asked for inclusion of this item (Doc. A/1899). They also submitted an explanatory note (Doc. A/1906), stating that they will submit a concrete proposal "designed to bring about a satisfactory solution of this problem."

On 11 October, Nicaragua also requested inclusion of this Item (Doc. A/1907).]

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