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QUESTION OF THE PUNISHMENT OF WAR CRIMINALS AND PERSONS
WHO HAVE COMMITTED CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

Saudi Arabia: amendment to the draft convention (A/7174, annex)

Article 1

1. At the end of article 1 add the following paragraph:

"2. For the purpose of the Convention:

(a) Any persons accused of war crimes or crimes against humanity should be tried by a tribunal constituted of highly qualified judges of neutral States which were not parties to a given war nor judges who may be nationals of any State where acts against humanity may have been perpetrated;

(b) The provision of the preceding sub-paragraph (a) does not derogate from the right of a State to try its own nationals for war crimes or crimes against humanity;

(c) The trial of war criminals or criminals against humanity should not only be confined to nationals of a State or States defeated in war but also to nationals of victor States;

(d) The right of asylum should not be denied to any person whose accusation as being a war criminal or a criminal against humanity, is open to substantial doubt."

2. Number the present text of article 1, paragraph 1.
