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# REVISION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE Working paper prepared by the Secretariat

- 1. The revision of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council has been placed by the Secretary-General on the provisional agenda of the eighth session as a result of the adoption by the General Assembly of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration.
- 2. In accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 5 of the Trusteeship Agreement, Italy undertook to designate an accredited representative to be present at sessions of the Trusteeship Council at which the reports of the Administering Authority or petitions relating to the Trust Territory are considered. Article 11 lays down conditions under which the Advisory Council or its members may be represented at sessions of the Trusteeship Council.
- 3. As the existing rules do not fully provide for the specific conditions created with respect to these cases it would seem appropriate for the Council to adopt a set of additional rules which would regulate the participation of Italy as the Administering Authority and the members of the Advisory Council for Somaliland in the work of the Trusteeship Council. The Trusteeship Council may therefore wish to consider the adoption of the following rules:

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES RELATING TO THE PARTICIPATION IN THE SESSIONS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY AS THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY FOR THE TERRITORY OF SOMALILAND AND OF STATES MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE TRUST TERRITORY OF SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

In addition to such other of the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council as may be applicable, the following rules shall apply to the participation of the Government of Italy and of States Members of the Advisory Council for the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration who are not members of the Trusteeship Council, in the sessions of the Trusteeship Council.

#### Rule A

The Government of Italy shall be notified by the President of the Trusteeship Council, acting through the Secretary-General, of the date and place of the first meeting of each session of the Trusteeship Council and of the provisional agenda thereof. Such notification, as a rule, shall be given at least thirty days in advance of the date of the session. The Government of Italy shall also be notified of any addition to the agenda of a session by application of Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

#### Rule B

The Government of Italy shall be invited by the President of the Trusteeship Council, acting through the Secretary-General, to designate an accredited representative to be present at the sessions of the Trusteeship Council the provisional agenda of which includes the consideration of:

- (1) annual reports and other documents submitted by Italy as the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of Somaliland;
- (2) petitions relating to the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration;
- (3) reports, memoranda or statements submitted by the Advisory Council for Somaliland in conformity with Article 11 of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Territory of Somaliland under Italian Administration; and
- (4) any other questions relating to the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration.

#### Rule C

The Secretary-General shall submit to the members of the Council any request of the Government of Italy to be represented during the deliberations on specific items included in the provisional agenda, or during the deliberations on items which have been added to the agenda by the Trustesship Council in conformity with rule 10 of its Rules of Procedure.

#### Rule D

The Government of Italy may request the inclusion of items in the provisional agenda of a session of the Trusteeship Council, if such items concern the affairs of the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration or the operation of the International Trusteeship System as laid down in the Charter, and shall be invited to have present at the appropriate meetings of the Trusteeship Council an accredited representative.

#### Rule E

Credentials for the representative designated by the Government of Italy to take part in the deliberations of the Trusteeship Council and the names of alternates and advisers accompanying such representative shall be issued either by the Head of the State or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy and shall normally be communicated to the Secretary-General not less than twenty-four hours before the meeting at which the representative will take his seat.

#### Rule F

The Secretary-General shall communicate to the Government of Italy the official records of all public meetings of the Trusteeship Council and the records, including relevant documents, of the private meetings of the Council in which a representative of Italy has participated.

#### Rule G

The Secretary-General shall transmit promptly to the Government of Italy a copy of all written petitions received by him which relate to the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian Administration, except those which are manifestly inconsequential, a list of which, with a summary of their contents, shall be communicated to the Government of Italy.

### Rule H

The Governments of States Members of the United Nations Advisory Council for the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration (hereinafter referred to as "the Advisory Council for Somaliland"), who are not members of the Trusteeship Council, shall be notified by the President of the Trusteeship Council, acting through the Secretary-General, of the date and place of the first meeting of the session of the Council, the provisional agenda of which includes the consideration of questions specifically relating to the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration. Such notification, as a rule, shall be given at least thirty days in advance of the date of the session. The Governments of States Members of the Advisory Council for Somaliland shall be also notified of any addition to the agenda of a session by application of Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

### Rule I

Reports, memoranda, or statements submitted by the Advisory Council for Somaliland in conformity with Article 11 of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration, shall be included by the Secretary-General in the provisional agenda of the session which follows the receipt of such reports, memoranda or statements.

## Rule J

The Secretary-General shall communicate to the Governments of States Members of the Advisory Council for Somaliland who are not members of the Trusteeship Council the provisional agenda of each session and shall submit to the members of the Trusteeship Council, without delay, any request of any of such members of the Advisory Council for Somaliland to be represented during the deliberations on specific items included in the provisional agenda, or which may have been added to the agenda by the Trusteeship Council in conformity with rule 10 of its Rules of Procedure.

# Rule K

The provisions of Rules 15, 17 and 18 of the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council shall apply to the representation at sessions of the Trusteeship Council and to the credentials of representatives of the members of the Advisory Council for Somaliland who are not members of the Trusteeship Council.

#### Rule L

The Secretary-General shall communicate to the Governments of the States Members of the Advisory Council for Somaliland who are not members of the Trusteeship Council the official records of all public meetings of the Trusteeship Council and the records, including relevant documents, of the private meetings of the Council in which the representatives of the members of the Advisory Council for Somaliland have participated.