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PATTERN OF CONFERENCES

Letter dated 15 September 1983 from the Chairman of the Committee  
on Conferences to the President of the General Assembly

I write in connection with the procedures under paragraph 34 of General Assembly decision 34/401, according to which no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly should be permitted to meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly, unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. Those subsidiary organs that wish to meet submit their request through the Committee on Conferences.

I wish to inform you that the Committee on Conferences has received a number of requests from subsidiary organs of the General Assembly asking to meet at United Nations Headquarters during the thirty-eighth session of the Assembly.

Those organs, which have requested further meetings in order to finalize their reports, are as follows: Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean, Special Committee against Apartheid, Group of Experts on the Supply of Oil and Oil Products to South Africa, Meeting of permanent representatives to the United Nations of the oil-producing and oil-exporting countries committed to the oil embargo against South Africa, International Civil Service Commission, Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development, Working Group on the Financing of UNRWA, Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa, United Nations Council for Namibia and Committee on Relations with the Host Country.

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The Committee on Conferences does not object to these requests on the clear understanding that any meetings of these organs would have to be accommodated as facilities and services become available, so that the activities of the General Assembly itself would not be adversely affected.

Accordingly, I would be grateful if the General Assembly could explicitly authorize additional meetings for the above-mentioned bodies in accordance with their requests.

(Signed) Michael G. OKEYO  
Chairman of the  
Committee on Conferences

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