



Forty-third session

ORGANIZATION OF THE FORTY-THIRD REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY, ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ALLOCATION OF ITEMS

First report of the General Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 1st meeting, on 21 September 1988, the General Committee considered a memorandum by the Secretary-General relating to the organization of the forty-third regular session of the General Assembly, the adoption of the agenda and the allocation of items (A/BUR/43/1 and Corr.1 and Add.1). A summary of the discussion will appear in the summary record of the meeting (A/BUR/43/SR.1).

2. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General in paragraph 3 of his memorandum (A/BUR/43/1), the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to the provisions reproduced in annexes V, VI and VII of its rules of procedure.

II. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

A. General Committee

3. The General Committee took note of the General Assembly decisions relevant to its work which were brought to the Committee's attention by the Secretary-General in paragraph 4 of his memorandum (*ibid*).

B. Rationalization of work

4. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 6), who referred to resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986, the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to recommendations 2, 3 and 7 of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations, 1/ which read as follows:

(a) The relevant provisions of recommendation 2 read as follows:

"The number of conferences and meetings can be significantly reduced and their duration shortened without affecting the substantive work of the Organization. To this end:

...

"(b) The General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council should request their subsidiary bodies to review urgently their current agendas and schedules of meetings in order to reduce substantially their number, frequency and duration. In this context, the move towards biennialization of conferences and meetings, which has been initiated particularly in the economic and social fields, should be vigorously pursued;

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/41/49), para. 21.

"(c) As there continues to be large differences between planned and actual utilization of available conference resources by numerous United Nations bodies, these bodies should be requested to provide a more realistic assessment of their needs. The Committee on Conferences should, in co-operation with the bodies concerned, ensure that wastage of conference-service resources is minimized through a reduction in the projections of the length and, where appropriate, the frequency of meetings of those bodies that have consistently utilized a lower level of resources than planned;"

(b) The relevant provisions of recommendation 3 read as follows:

"The procedures and methods of work of the General Assembly and its subsidiary organs, particularly its Main Committees, should be streamlined and thereby made more effective. Many recommendations have been put forward to this effect. In this connection, the following points should be emphasized:

"(a) The high cost of holding meetings of the principal organs of the United Nations makes it imperative to utilize fully available services. The responsibility for this rests with the presiding officers of these organs, as well as the representatives of Member States;

"(b) The agenda of the General Assembly should be rationalized by grouping or merging, to the extent possible, related items and by setting an interval of two or more years for the discussion of certain items;

"(c) The possibility of holding the meetings of the Fourth Committee and the Special Political Committee in sequential order should be addressed;

"(d) The distribution of agenda items among the Main Committees of the General Assembly and between those Committees and the plenary meetings of the Assembly should be reviewed, in order to ensure the best possible use of the expertise of the Committees and of the time and resources available;

"(e) As a rule, the General Assembly should not create new subsidiary organs without discontinuing existing ones;"

(c) Recommendation 7 reads as follows:

"Since the cost of processing and distributing as official documents communications received from Member States is estimated at \$2 million per biennium, Member States should co-operate in significantly curtailing this practice. The provisions of General Assembly decision J4/401 should be strictly adhered to."

Furthermore, in connection with recommendation 3 (c) of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts (see para. (b) above), the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly, that, as at recent sessions, the holding of concurrent

meetings of the Special Political Committee and the Fourth Committee should be avoided, to the extent possible and with the necessary flexibility, during the forty-third session.

5. The General Committee took note of the information brought to its attention by the Secretary-General in his memorandum (*ibid.*, paras. 7 and 8) relating to the recommendations of the Economic and Social Council contained in its decision 1988/182 of 29 July 1988 on the in-depth study by the Special Commission of the Economic and Social Council on the In-depth Study of the United Nations Intergovernmental Structure and Functions in the Economic and Social Fields, and concerning the measures he has already undertaken in pursuance of the goal of renewal and reform.

C. Closing date of the session

6. Noting that the normal closing date would be Tuesday, 20 December, at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 9), the General Committee recommends that, in view of the financial problems still being faced by the United Nations and in the context of the process of renewal and reform under way, and in the light of the concurrence expressed by the regional groups prior to the convening of the forty-third session, no closing date should be decided upon at this time and that every effort should be made to curtail to the maximum extent practicable the duration of the forty-third session.

D. Schedule of meetings

7. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 10), the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that, as a cost-saving measure, morning meetings should start at 10 a.m. promptly for all plenary meetings and meetings of the Main Committee during the forty-third session.

8. Also at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 11), the General Committee recommends that, in order to avoid the late start of meetings and as a cost-saving measure, the General Assembly should waive, as decided at the 3rd plenary meeting of its forty-second session, on 18 September 1987, the requirement of the presence of at least one third of the members to declare a plenary meeting open and permit the debate to proceed and one quarter of the members to declare a meeting of the Main Committee open and permit the debate to proceed. This recommendation would be made on the understanding that it would not involve any permanent change in the relevant provisions of rules 67 and 108 of the rules of procedure pertaining to the opening of meetings (see A/42/PV.3).

9. In this connection, the General Committee also recommends to the General Assembly that delegations should be reminded of the utmost importance of punctuality in the interest of ensuring an effective and orderly organization of work and achieving economies for the United Nations.

E. General debate

10. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/43/1, paras. 13 and 14), the General Committee recommends that:

(a) The general debate should begin on Monday, 26 September and end on Friday, 14 October 1988;

(b) The list of speakers in the general debate should be closed on Wednesday, 28 September, at 6 p.m.

11. On the proposal of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 15), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to the decision taken by the Assembly at the 3rd plenary meeting of its forty-second session, namely that the practice of expressing congratulations in the General Assembly Hall after a speech had been delivered was prohibited and recommends that the provision should also apply during the forty-third session.

F. Explanations of vote, right of reply and length of statements

12. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 16), the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 of its decision 34/401 (A/520/Rev.15, annex VI), which read as follows:

"6. Explanations of vote should be limited to ten minutes.

"7. When the same draft resolution is considered in a Main Committee and in plenary meeting, a delegation should, as far as possible, explain its vote only once, i.e., either in the Committee or in plenary meeting, unless that delegation's vote in plenary meeting is different from its vote in the Committee.

"8. Delegations should exercise their right of reply at the end of the day whenever two meetings have been scheduled for that day and whenever such meetings are devoted to the consideration of the same item."

13. Furthermore, in connection with the length of statements, with a view to streamlining the procedures of the General Assembly and as a cost-saving measure, the General Committee draws the attention of the Assembly, as it did at the forty-second session, to rules 72 and 114 of the rules of procedure and paragraph 22 of annex VI thereof for appropriate action in plenary meeting and the Main Committees.

G. Records of meetings

14. As at past sessions (*ibid.*, para. 18), verbatim records will continue to be provided during the forty-third session, for the plenary meetings of the Assembly and meetings of the First Committee and summary records will be provided to the

General Committee, the Credentials Committee and the other Main Committees of the Assembly. In accordance with the recommendation of the Special Committee on the Rationalization of the Procedures and Organization of the General Assembly (A/520/Rev.15, annex V, para. 108 (b)), the General Committee recommends that the Assembly should maintain for the forty-third session the practice whereby the Special Political Committee may obtain, on specific request, transcriptions of the debates of some of its meetings, or portions thereof. These transcriptions, which would not be part of the official records of the Committee, would be provided as the required services became available. Furthermore, the General Committee wishes to draw the Assembly's attention to paragraphs 8 and 9 of its resolution 38/32 E of 25 November 1983, which read as follows:

"8. Decides that the practice of reproducing statements in extenso as separate documents shall be discontinued for all its subsidiary organs that are entitled to summary records;

"9. Decides further that any exceptions to this rule may be made by the body concerned only if the statements are to serve as bases for discussion and if, after hearing a statement of the relevant financial implications, the body decides that one or more statements in extenso may be included in the summary record, or reproduced as separate documents or as annexes to authorized documents;"

In this connection, the General Committee also recommends to the General Assembly that the practice not to reproduce in extenso statements made in a Main Committee should be maintained for the forty-third session.

H. Election of the Chairmen of the Main Committees

15. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 20), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraphs 18 and 19 of its decision 34/401, which read as follows:

"18. Before the conclusion of a session of the General Assembly, regional groups should agree on the distribution of chairmanships among them for the following session.

"19. Candidates for the chairmanships of the Main Committees should be nominated as soon as possible."

I. Concluding statements

16. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 21), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 17 of its decision 34/401, which reads as follows:

"17. To save time at the end of the session, the practice of making concluding statements in the General Assembly and its Main Committees should be dispensed with except for statements by the presiding officers."

J. Questions related to the programme budget

17. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, paras. 22 and 23), who referred to rule 153 of the rules of procedure, the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraphs 12 and 13 of its decision 34/401, which read as follows:

"12. It is imperative that Main Committees should allow sufficient time for the preparation of the estimate of expenditures by the Secretariat and for its consideration by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee and that they should take this requirement into account when they adopt their programme of work.

"13. Furthermore:

(a) A mandatory deadline, not later than 1 December, should be established for the submission to the Fifth Committee of all draft resolutions with financial implications;

(b) The Fifth Committee should, as a general practice, consider accepting without debate the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the financial implications of draft resolutions up to a prescribed limit, namely, \$25,000 on any one item;

(c) Firm deadlines should be set for the early submission of the reports of subsidiary organs which require consideration by the Fifth Committee;

(d) A minimum period of forty-eight hours should be allowed between the submission and the voting of a proposal involving expenditure in order to allow the Secretary-General to prepare and present the related statement of administrative and financial implications."

If the General Assembly decides to curtail the duration of the forty-third session, the mandatory deadline mentioned above should be adjusted accordingly. Furthermore, the General Committee draws the attention of the Assembly to paragraph 6 of its resolution 35/10 A of 3 November 1980, which reads as follows:

"6. Decides that all proposals affecting the schedule of conferences and meetings made at sessions of the General Assembly shall be reviewed by the Committee on Conferences when administrative implications are being considered under the requirements of rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly."

18. Also at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 22), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to regulation 4.9 of the Regulations Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (resolution 37/234, annex), which reads as follows:

"Regulation 4.9. No Council, Commission or other competent body shall take a decision involving either a change in the programme budget approved by the General Assembly or the possible requirement of expenditure unless it has received and taken account of a report from the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of the proposal."

K. Documentation

19. On the proposal of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/43/1, para. 24), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 28 of its decision 34/401, which reads as follows:

"28. The General Assembly, including its Main Committees, should merely take note of those reports of the Secretary-General or subsidiary organs which do not require a decision by the Assembly and should neither debate nor adopt resolutions on them, unless specifically requested to do so by the Secretary-General or the organ concerned."

20. Furthermore, the General Committee took note of the proposal by the Secretary-General that the Committee should examine in depth the question of how to control and limit documentation (*ibid.*, para. 25).

L. Resolutions

21. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 26), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 32 of its decision 34/401, which reads as follows:

"32. Whenever possible, resolutions requesting the discussion of a question at a subsequent session should not call for the inclusion of a separate new item and such discussion should be held under the item under which the resolution was adopted."

22. Furthermore, at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, paras. 27 and 28), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to recommendation 3 (f) of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts, which reads as follows:

"(f) Efforts should be made to reduce the number of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly. Resolutions should request reports of the Secretary-General only in cases where that would be indispensable for facilitating the implementation of these resolutions or the continued examination of the question."

The Committee also draws the Assembly's attention to the relevant recommendations made by the Presidents of the General Assembly (A/40/377, appendix).

M. Special conferences

23. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/43/1, para. 29), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to recommendation 6 of the Committee on Conferences, 2/ adopted by the Assembly in paragraph (b) of its decision 34/405, which reads as follows:

"(b) The Committee, taking into account difficulties encountered in ensuring adequate preparation of meetings, including timely distribution of documentation, as well as the ability of Member States to participate fully, recommends that the General Assembly should instruct the Main Committees to review the number of special conferences of the United Nations already proposed and scheduled in their respective fields of activity prior to deciding upon the scheduling of new and additional special conferences, thus bearing in mind the relevant portions of General Assembly resolution 33/55."

The General Committee also draws the Assembly's attention to recommendation 2 (d) of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts, which reads as follows:

"Until 1978, a number of resolutions had requested that only one major conference be scheduled annually. The decision of the General Assembly that no more than five special conferences should take place in a given year and that no more than one special conference should be convened at the same time should be strictly implemented."

24. Furthermore, at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 30), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to the relevant provisions of recommendation 4 of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts which reads as follows:

"The existing principle that United Nations bodies should meet at their respective established headquarters, as provided for in General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, should be strictly enforced. Whenever the Assembly accepts an invitation from the Government of a Member State to hold a conference or meeting away from established headquarters, the additional cost should be borne in full by that Government. The methods of budgeting these costs should be improved so as to ensure that all additional costs are accounted for."

N. Meetings of subsidiary organs

25. The General Committee, in the light of recommendations submitted by the Committee on Conferences (A/43/600), recommends to the General Assembly that the following subsidiary organs should be authorized to meet during the forty-third session:

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 32 (A/34/32), para. 79.

- (a) Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies;
- (b) Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa;
- (c) Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa;
- (d) Committee on Relations with the Host Country;
- (e) Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People;
- (f) Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa;
- (g) Special Committee against Apartheid;
- (h) United Nations Council for Namibia;
- (i) Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
- (j) World Food Council.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

26. The General Committee considered the draft agenda of the forty-third session submitted by the Secretary-General in his memorandum (A/BUR/43/1 and Corr.1 and Add.1, para. 34). All the items contained in the draft agenda formed part of the following documents:

- (a) Provisional agenda of the forty-third session (A/43/150);
- (b) Supplementary list (A/43/200);
- (c) Additional items (A/43/241-A/43/243).

27. The General Committee took note of the suggestions of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 33) regarding:

- (a) The grouping of related items under a single heading;
- (b) The staggering of items over two or more years.

28. With regard to item 113 of the draft agenda (Question of East Timor), the General Committee recommends that the consideration of this item should be deferred to the forty-fourth session and that the item should be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

29. Following the withdrawal of item 147 of the draft agenda (Fortieth anniversary of the establishment of the Government of the Republic of Korea) and item 150 (Situation on the Korean peninsula and implementation of the relevant resolution on the question of Korea adopted by the General Assembly at its thirtieth session) by their sponsors, the General Committee decided to replace them with the following item: "Promotion of peace, reconciliation and dialogue in the Korean peninsula."

30. In connection with item 149 of the draft agenda (Declaration proclaiming climate as part of the common heritage of mankind), the General Committee decided to revise the item as follows: "Conservation of climate as part of the common heritage of mankind."

31. Taking into account paragraphs 26 to 30 above, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following agenda: 3/

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 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
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9. General debate (P.9).

3/ Abbreviations used in the present document:

- (P.): item on the provisional agenda (A/43/150);
- (S.): item on the supplementary list (A/43/200);
- (A.): additional items (A/43/241 A/43/243).

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 - (c) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;
 - (d) Election of seventeen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;
 - (e) Election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
 - (f) Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.
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 - (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;
 - (d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;
 - (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;
 - (f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission;

- (g) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Pension Committee;
 - (h) Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit;
 - (i) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women;
 - (j) Appointment of the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia;
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 - (d) Conventional disarmament;

- (e) Nuclear disarmament;
 - (f) Objective information on military matters;
 - (g) Implementation of General Assembly resolutions in the field of disarmament;
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133. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Drafting of an International Convention against the Recruitment, Use, Financing and Training of Mercenaries (P.134).
134. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fortieth session (P.135).
135. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (P.136).
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5/ See para. 29.

IV. ALLOCATION OF ITEMS

32. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/43/1 and Corr.1 and Add.1, para. 35), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 4 of its decision 34/401 (A/520/Rev.15, annex VI), which reads as follows:

"4. Substantive items should normally be discussed initially in a Main Committee and, therefore, items previously allocated to plenary meetings should henceforth be referred to a Main Committee unless there are compelling circumstances requiring their continued consideration in plenary meeting."

33. Taking into account the recommendations in section III above regarding the inclusion of items in the agenda, the General Committee approved the allocation of items contained in paragraph 49 of the Secretary-General's memorandum (A/BUR/43/1 and Corr.1 and Add.1) with the following modifications:

(a) Plenary meetings

(i) Item 12 (Report of the Economic and Social Council)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that, on the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 37), the plenary meeting of the morning of Thursday, 27 October, should be devoted to the observance of the fortieth anniversary of the World Health Organization.

(ii) Item 18 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples)

The General Committee decided on the proposal of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 38), to recommend that the General Assembly should refer to the Fourth Committee chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/43/23) relating to specific Territories so that the Assembly might deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.

(iii) Item 29 (Question of Namibia)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that hearings of the organizations concerned would be held in the Fourth Committee.

(iv) Item 34 (Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas))

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Fourth Committee in conjunction with the consideration of the item in plenary meeting.

(v) Item 36 (Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that the representatives of the Organization of African Unity and of national liberation movements recognized by that organization would be permitted to participate in the discussion in plenary meeting and that organizations and individuals having a special interest in the question would be permitted to be heard by the Special Political Committee.

(vi) Item 38 (Fortieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly, on the suggestion of the Secretary-General (*ibid.*, para. 42), to devote the plenary meeting of the morning of Thursday, 8 December, to the commemoration of the fortieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

(vii) Item 47 (Question of Cyprus)

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should defer a decision on the allocation of the item to an appropriate time in the future.

(viii) Item 142 (Observer status for the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America in the General Assembly)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(ix) Item 146 (Promotion of peace, reconciliation and dialogue in the Korean peninsula)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting and that the observers of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea may participate in the consideration of the item.

(x) Item 149 (Emergency assistance to Jamaica)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(b) First Committee

(i) Item 64 (General and complete disarmament)

The General Committee decided, on the proposal of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/43/1, para. 46), to recommend that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/43/488), which is to be considered directly in plenary meeting under item 14, should be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 64.

The General Committee, by 11 votes to 4, with 5 abstentions, rejected a proposal to allocate sub-item (k) (Dumping of nuclear wastes in Africa) to the Second Committee and decided to recommend that the sub-item should be allocated to the First Committee.

(ii) Item 141 (Implementation of the conclusions of the Third Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and establishment of a preparatory committee for the Fourth Review Conference)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the First Committee.

(iii) Item 145 (Liability for the illegal transfer and/or use of prohibited weapons and weapons or substances which cause unnecessary human suffering)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the First Committee.

(c) Special Political Committee

Item 140 (Science and peace)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Special Political Committee.

(d) Second Committee

(i) Item 143 (Responsibility of States for the protection of the environment and prevention of environmental pollution as a result of the accumulation of toxic and radioactive wastes, and strengthening of international co-operation for the purpose of resolving the problem)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Second Committee.

- (ii) Item 148 (Conservation of climate as part of the common heritage of mankind)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Second Committee on the understanding that the item would first be introduced at a plenary meeting before its consideration by the Second Committee.

(e) Third Committee

- (i) Item 95 (c) (United Nations Development Fund for Women)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the operations, management and budget of the United Nations Development Fund for Women should be referred to the Second Committee for consideration under item 84.

- (ii) Item 144 (Responsibility of States to ban in their territory, and to refrain from instigating or supporting in the territory of other States, chauvinistic, racist and other manifestations that may cause discord between peoples and involvement of Governments and the mass media in combating such manifestations and in educating peoples and youth in the spirit of peaceful co-operation and international entente; and evaluation of the implementation of the Declaration on the Promotion among Youth of the Ideals of Peace, Mutual Respect and Understanding between Peoples)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Third Committee.

(f) Fifth Committee

- (i) Item 49 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that the report of the Special Commission of the Economic and Social Council on the In-depth Study of the United Nations Intergovernmental Structure and Functions in the Economic and Social Fields would be considered directly in plenary meeting. Such a decision should in no way prejudice the arrangements to be made for the future consideration of the item.

- (ii) Item 50 (Current financial crisis of the United Nations)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that such a decision should in no way prejudice the arrangements to be made for the future consideration of the item.

(iii) Item 118 (Joint Inspection Unit)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit dealing with subject-matters assigned to other Main Committees would be referred also to those Committees.

34. Taking into account paragraphs 32 and 33 above, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following allocation of items: 6/

6/ For the abbreviations used in the allocation of items, see footnote 3.

Plenary meetings

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 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
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9. General debate (P.9).
10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (P.10).
11. Report of the Security Council (P.11).
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters I, II, III (sections A and B (a)), VI (section C) and VII) (P.12). 1/

1/ The chapters of the report listed below would be referred also to the Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Committees, as follows:

- (a) Chapter I Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Committees
- (b) Chapter II Second and Third Committees
- (c) Chapters VI (section C) and VII Second, Third and Fifth Committees

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13. Report of the International Court of Justice (P.13).
14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (P.14). 8/
15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs (P.15):
 - (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;
 - (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.
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 - (a) Election of members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;
 - (b) Election of twelve members of the World Food Council;
 - (c) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;
 - (d) Election of seventeen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;
 - (e) Election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
 - (f) Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.
17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (P.17): 9/
 - (h) Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit;
 - (i) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee of the United Nations Development Fund for Women;
 - (j) Appointment of the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia
 - (k) Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.
18. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (P.18): 10/

8/ See para. 33 (b) (i).

9/ For sub-items (a) to (g), see "Fifth Committee", item 15.

10/ See para. 33 (a) (ii).

19. Admission of new Members to the United Nations (P.19).
20. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee (P.20).
21. Right of peoples to peace (P.21).
22. The situation in Central America: threats to international peace and security and peace initiatives (P.22).
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24. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference (P.24).
25. Co-operation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States (P.25).
26. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity (P.26).
27. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States (P.27).
28. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System (P.28).
29. Question of Namibia (P.29). 11/
30. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (P.30).
31. Zone of peace and co-operation of the South Atlantic (P.31).
32. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte (P.32).
33. Judgment of the International Court of Justice of 27 June 1986 concerning military and paramilitary activities in and against Nicaragua: need for immediate compliance (P.33).
34. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (P.34). 12/
35. Law of the sea (P.35).
36. Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa (P.36). 13/

11/ See para. 33 (a) (iii).

12/ See para. 33 (a) (iv).

13/ See para. 33 (a) (v).

37. Question of Palestine (P.37).
38. Fortieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (P.38). 14/
39. Critical economic situation in Africa: United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990 (P.39).
40. The situation in the Middle East (P.40).
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42. Question of peace, stability and co-operation in South-East Asia (P.42).
43. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 (P.43).
44. Launching of global negotiations on international economic co-operation for development (P.44).
45. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council (P.45).
46. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security (P.46).
47. Consequences of the prolongation of the armed conflict between Iran and Iraq (P.48).
48. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (P.49). 15/
49. Observer status for the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America in the General Assembly (S.2). 16/
50. Promotion of peace, reconciliation and dialogue in the Korean peninsula. 17/

14/ See para. 33 (a) (vi).

15/ See para. 33 (f) (i).

16/ See para. 33 (a) (viii).

17/ See para. 33 (a) (ix).

51. Emergency assistance to Jamaica (A.3). 18/
52. Conservation of climate as part of the common heritage of mankind (A.1). 19/

18/ See para. 33 (a) (x).

19/ See para. 33 (d) (ii).

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14. General and complete disarmament (P.64): 20/
 - (a) Contribution of the specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to the cause of arms limitation and disarmament;
 - (b) Prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of radiological weapons;

- (c) Notification of nuclear tests;
- (d) Conventional disarmament;
- (e) Nuclear disarmament;
- (f) Objective information on military matters;
- (g) Implementation of General Assembly resolutions in the field of disarmament;
- (h) Naval armaments and disarmament;
- (i) Prohibition of the production of fissionable material for weapons purposes;
- (j) Review of the role of the United Nations in the field of disarmament: report of the Disarmament Commission;
- (k) Dumping of nuclear and industrial wastes in Africa.

15. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (P.65):

- (a) Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly;
- (b) Freeze on nuclear weapons;
- (c) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons;
- (d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia;
- (e) World Disarmament Campaign;
- (f) Implementation of General Assembly resolution 42/39 H on a nuclear-arms freeze;
- (g) United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme;
- (h) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;
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 - (a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;
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 - (c) Status of multilateral disarmament agreements;
 - (d) Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies;
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 - (f) Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Declaration of the 1980s as the Second Disarmament Decade;
 - (g) Climatic effects of nuclear war including nuclear winter;
 - (h) Economic and social consequences of the armaments race and its extremely harmful effects on world peace and security;
 - (i) Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the tenth special session;
 - (j) Non-use of nuclear weapons and prevention of nuclear war;
 - (k) Cessation of the nuclear-arms race and nuclear disarmament: report of the Conference on Disarmament;
 - (l) Prevention of nuclear war;
 - (m) Disarmament Week;
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20. Question of Antarctica (P.70).
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23. Comprehensive system of international peace and security (P.73).
24. Verification in all its aspects (P.140).
25. Implementation of the conclusions of the Third Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and establishment of a preparatory committee for the Fourth Review Conference (S.1). 21/
26. Liability for the illegal transfer and/or use of prohibited weapons and weapons or substances which cause unnecessary human suffering (S.5). 22/

21/ See para. 33 (b) (ii).

22/ See para. 33 (b) (iii).

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8. Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations (P.81).
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10. Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa (P.36). 24/

23/ See para. 33 (c).

24/ See para. 33 (a) (v).

Second Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters I, II, III (sections B (b), F and G), IV, VI (sections A to C and E), VII and VIII) (P.12). 25/
2. Development and international economic co-operation (P.82):
 - (a) International development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade;
 - (b) Trade and development;
 - (c) Food problems;
 - (d) New and renewable sources of energy;
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 - (f) Long-term trends in social and economic development;
 - (g) Long-term strategy for sustainable and environmentally sound development.
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25/ The chapters of the report listed below would be referred also to plenary meetings and to the Third, Fourth and Fifth Committees, as follows:

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| (a) Chapter I | Plenary meetings, Third, Fourth and Fifth Committees |
| (b) Chapter II | Plenary meetings and Third Committee |
| (c) Chapter IV (section E) | Fifth Committee |
| (d) Chapters III (section B (b)) and VI (section A) | Third Committee |
| (e) Chapters VI (section C) and VII | Plenary meetings, Third and Fifth Committees |
| (f) Chapter VI (section E) | Fourth Committee |
| (g) Chapter VIII | Third and Fifth Committees |

26/ See para. 33 (e) (i).

- (a) Operational activities of the United Nations system;
 - (b) United Nations Development Programme;
 - (c) United Nations Population Fund;
 - (d) United Nations Children's Fund;
 - (e) World Food Programme.
5. Training and research (P.85):
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 - (b) United Nations University.
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- (a) Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator;
 - (b) Special programmes of economic assistance.
7. Responsibility of States for the protection of the environment and prevention of environmental pollution as a result of the accumulation of toxic and radioactive wastes, and strengthening of international co-operation for the purpose of resolving the problem (S.3). 27/
8. Conservation of climate as part of the common heritage of mankind (A.1). 28/

27/ See para. 33 (d) (i).

28/ See para. 33 (d) (ii).

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7. Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons and the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons (P.92).
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