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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE TENTH REGULAR SESSION AND ALLOCATION OF
ITEMS TO COMMITTEES, AND ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

Report of the General Committee

1. The General Committee, at its 102nd meeting held on 21 September 1955, considered the memorandum of the Secretary-General on the organization of the tenth regular session (A/BUR/140) and began consideration of the provisional agenda (A/2915), the supplementary list of items (A/2942) and the request by India for the inclusion of an additional item (A/2949 and Add.1), as contained in the memorandum of the Secretary-General relating to the adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to Committees (A/BUR/141). The consideration of the latter memorandum was completed at the 103rd meeting held on 22 September 1955.
2. The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that item 18 of the provisional agenda, "The International Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy: report of the Secretary-General" and item 6 of the supplementary list, "Progress in developing international co-operation for the peaceful uses of atomic energy: reports of Governments" should be included in the agenda as sub-items (a) and (b) under a general heading "Peaceful uses of atomic energy".
3. The General Committee further decided to recommend that item 4 of the supplementary list, "Co-ordination of information relating to the effects of atomic radiation upon human health and safety" and the additional item proposed by India, "Dissemination of information on the effects of atomic radiation and on the effects of experimental explosions of thermo-nuclear bombs" should be included in the agenda as sub-items (a) and (b) under a general heading "Effects of atomic radiation".

4. The General Committee decided, by 7 votes to 4, with 4 abstentions, to recommend that item 1 of the supplementary list, "Application, under the auspices of the United Nations, of the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples in the case of the population of the Island of Cyprus", should not be included in the agenda.
5. The General Committee decided, by 8 votes to 5, with 2 abstentions, to recommend that item 3 of the supplementary list, "The question of Algeria", should not be included in the agenda.
6. With regard to item 5 of the supplementary list, "The question of West Irian (West New Guinea)", the President stated that the interested parties had informed him that they wished the discussion on the inclusion of this item to be postponed for a few days. The General Committee agreed, without objection, to take up this question at a later date.
7. The General Committee decided to recommend the inclusion in the agenda of item 7 of the supplementary list, "Establishment and maintenance of a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea", the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and of Poland requesting that their abstentions be recorded.
8. Statements were made with respect to the inclusion of items 20 and 23 of the provisional agenda;^{1/} after discussion, it was decided to recommend these items for inclusion. The remaining items were recommended for inclusion without discussion.

I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

9. Taking into account the decisions contained in paragraphs 2 to 8 above, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following agenda for the tenth regular session:

^{1/} See A/BUR/SR.102.

AGENDA OF THE TENTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of the Netherlands
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation
3. Appointment of a Credentials Committee
4. Election of the President
5. Constitution of the Main Committees and election of officers
6. Election of Vice-Presidents
7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter
8. Adoption of the agenda
9. Opening of the general debate
10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization
11. Report of the Security Council
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council
13. Report of the Trusteeship Council
14. Election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council
15. Election of six members of the Economic and Social Council
16. Election of two members of the Trusteeship Council
17. Regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of all armed forces and all armaments. Conclusion of an international convention (treaty) on the reduction of armaments and the prohibition of atomic, hydrogen and other weapons of mass destruction: report of the Disarmament Commission
18. Peaceful uses of atomic energy:
 - (a) The International Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy: report of the Secretary-General
 - (b) Progress in developing international co-operation for the peaceful uses of atomic energy: reports of Governments

19. The Korean question:
 - (a) Report of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea
 - (b) Reports of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission in Korea
 - (c) Problem of ex-prisoners of the Korean war
20. Treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa: report of the Secretary-General
21. Admission of new Members to the United Nations: reports of the Security Council and of the Committee of Good Offices
22. Report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
23. The question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of apartheid of the Government of the Union of South Africa: report of the United Nations Commission on the Racial Situation in the Union of South Africa
24. Economic development of under-developed countries:
 - (a) Question of the establishment of a special United Nations fund for economic development: report submitted in accordance with resolution 822 (IX) of 11 December 1954
 - (b) Question of the establishment of an international finance corporation: report of the Economic and Social Council
 - (c) Programmes of technical assistance: report of the Economic and Social Council
25. Report of the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency
26. Question of assistance to Libya: report of the Secretary-General
27. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
28. Draft international covenants on human rights
29. Recommendations concerning international respect for the right of peoples and nations to self-determination: report of the Economic and Social Council

30. Question of South West Africa:
 - (a) Voting procedure on questions relating to reports and petitions concerning the Territory of South West Africa: advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice
 - (b) Report of the Committee on South West Africa
31. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter: reports of the Secretary-General and of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories:
 - (a) Information on social conditions
 - (b) Information on other conditions
 - (c) General questions relating to the transmission and examination of information
 - (d) Offers of study and training facilities under resolution 845 (IX) of 22 November 1954
32. Consideration of communications relating to the cessation of the transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter: reports of the Secretary-General and of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories:
 - (a) Communication from the Government of the Netherlands concerning the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam
 - (b) Other communications, if any
 - (c) Procedures concerning the consideration of communications
33. Question of the renewal of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories
34. Election, if required, to fill vacancies in the membership of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories
35. The Togoland unification problem and the future of the Trust Territory of Togoland under British administration: report of the Trusteeship Council
36. Financial reports and accounts and reports of the Board of Auditors:
 - (a) United Nations, for the financial year ended 31 December 1954
 - (b) United Nations Children's Fund, for the financial year ended 31 December 1954

- (c) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, for the financial year ended 30 June 1955
 - (d) United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, for the financial year ended 30 June 1955
 - (e) United Nations Refugee Emergency Fund, for the financial year ended 31 December 1954
37. Supplementary estimates for the financial year 1955
38. Budget estimates for the financial year 1956
39. Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly:
- (a) Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
 - (b) Committee on Constitutions
 - (c) Board of Auditors
 - (d) Investments Committee: confirmation of the appointment made by the Secretary-General
 - (e) United Nations Administrative Tribunal
 - (f) United Nations Staff Pension Committee
40. Report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds
41. Headquarters of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General
42. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions
43. Review of audit procedures of the United Nations and the specialized agencies: reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
44. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund:
- (a) Annual report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
 - (b) Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on the third actuarial valuation of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund as of 30 September 1954

- (c) Amendments to the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, including report on article XI
 - (d) Acceptance by the specialized agencies of the jurisdiction of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal in matters involving applications alleging non-observance of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: report of the Secretary-General
45. Administrative and budgetary co-ordination between the United Nations and the specialized agencies: reports of the Secretary-General and of Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
 46. Audit reports relating to expenditure by specialized agencies of technical assistance funds allocated from the Special Account
 47. Organization of the Secretariat: report of the Secretary-General
 48. Use of income derived from the Staff Assessment Plan: report of the Secretary-General
 49. Report of the Special Committee on Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgments
 50. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventh session
 51. Question of the correction of votes in the General Assembly and its Committees: report of the Secretary-General
 52. Arbitral procedure: comments of Governments on the draft on arbitral procedure prepared by the International Law Commission
 53. Question of the continuation of the United Nations Tribunal in Libya: report of the Secretary-General
 54. Registration and publication of treaties and international agreements: report of the Secretary-General
 55. Proposal to call a General Conference of the Members of the United Nations for the purpose of reviewing the Charter (Article 109 of the Charter)
 56. Personnel questions: report of the Secretary-General
 57. Application of the Federal Republic of Germany for membership in the International Civil Aviation Organization
 58. The question of Morocco

59. Effects of atomic radiation:
 - (a) Co-ordination of information relating to the effects of atomic radiation upon human health and safety
 - (b) Dissemination of information on the effects of atomic radiation and on the effects of experimental explosions of thermo-nuclear bombs
60. Establishment and maintenance of a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea
61. Question of the safety of commercial aircraft flying in the vicinity of, or inadvertently crossing, international frontiers
62. Advisory services in the field of human rights
63. Draft convention on the nationality of married women

II. ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS TO COMMITTEES

10. With regard to the item "Registration and publication of treaties and international agreements: report of the Secretary-General", the Secretary-General explained the reasons why he had proposed (A/BUR/141, page 13) its allocation in the first instance to the Fifth Committee; at some appropriate stage in that Committee's consideration it would be referred to the Sixth Committee for advice as to the legal aspects of the question and in order that any required amendments to the regulations might be drafted.
11. The General Committee recommends the following allocation of items to Committees:

PLENARY MEETINGS

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11. Report of the Security Council
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters I, VII, VIII and IX)
13. Election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council
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1. Treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa: report of the Secretary-General
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SECOND COMMITTEE

1. Report of the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency
2. Economic development of under-developed countries:
 - (a) Question of the establishment of a special United Nations fund for economic development: report submitted in accordance with resolution 822 (IX) of 11 December 1954
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 - (c) Programmes of technical assistance: report of the Economic and Social Council
3. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters II, III and IV)
4. Question of assistance to Libya: report of the Secretary-General

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1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
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16. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapter X)
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1. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventh session
2. Question of the continuation of the United Nations Tribunal in Libya: report of the Secretary-General
3. Question of the correction of votes in the General Assembly and its Committees: report of the Secretary-General

4. Arbitral procedure: comments of Governments on the draft on arbitral procedure prepared by the International Law Commission

III. ORGANIZATION OF THE TENTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

12. On the proposal of the Secretary-General, the General Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve the following arrangements relating to the schedule of meetings:
 - (a) That both plenary and Committee meetings should begin at 10.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m.
 - (b) That a five-day working week be established, it being understood that extended morning meetings on Saturdays may be scheduled, should this prove necessary, later in the session
13. The General Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve, in accordance with rule 2 of the rules of procedure, 10 December 1955 as the closing date of the tenth session
