

TREATMENT OF INDIANS IN THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

REPORT OF THE FIRST COMMITTEE *

BELGIUM, BRAZIL, CUBA, DENMARK and NORWAY: JOINT DRAFT RESOLUTION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING the reports submitted by the Governments of India and of the Union of South Africa following upon the resolution of the General Assembly of 8 December 1946, which drew their attention to the desirability of their reaching an agreement;

CONSIDERING that, according to the opinion expressed by the said resolution, the treatment of Indians in the Union should be in conformity with the international obligations under the agreements concluded between the two Governments and the relevant provisions of the Charter; that, in consequence, if no direct agreement should be reached between the two Governments it is, above all, necessary to determine the rights and obligations of the two States; that, according to the Charter and to the Statute of the International Court of Justice, the Court is particularly designed to deal with such questions;

CALLS UPON the two Governments, after inviting the Government of Pakistan to take part in their negotiations, to continue their efforts with a view to reaching an agreement settling their dispute through a round table conference or other direct means or, if necessary, by mediation or conciliation, and, should they fail to reach such an agreement, to submit the question of the extent of the said obligations under the agreements concluded between them and under the relevant provisions of the Charter to the International Court of Justice.

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