



Seventeenth session

PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES

Note by the Secretary-General

1. At its sixteenth session, by resolution 1720 (XVI), the General Assembly decided that the United Nations work on permanent sovereignty over natural wealth and resources should be continued and recommended that priority be given for discussion of this matter in the Second Committee at the next session.
2. The following basic documents are before the Assembly in connexion with this item:

Note by the Secretary-General on permanent sovereignty over natural resources (A/4905); 1/

Report of the Commission on Permanent Sovereignty over Natural Resources (E/3511);

Summary records of the relevant meetings of the Economic and Social Council (1177th to 1179th and 1181st meetings);

Revised study by the Secretariat on the status of permanent sovereignty over natural resources (A/AC.97/5/Rev.1 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1);

Chapter V, section I, of the Report of the Economic and Social Council (1961) (A/4820); 2/

Report of the Second Committee (A/5060).1/

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 87.

2/ Ibid., Supplement No. 3 (A/4820).

3. The draft resolution submitted by the Commission on Permanent Sovereignty over Natural Resources will be found in paragraph 4 of the report of the Second Committee (A/5060) and the amendments thereto in documents E/L.914 and Corr.1, E/L.915, E/L.918 and E/L.919.

4. In resolution 1720 (XVI) the Assembly also requested that the Commission's report and the revised study by the Secretariat should be printed. It is expected that the printed version of these documents will become available later in the course of the present session.
