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PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LAW OF  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Report of the Secretary-General

ADDENDUM

With reference to paragraphs 147-166 of the report of the Secretary-General on the progressive development of the law of international trade (A/6396), describing the activities of the International Chamber of Commerce in the field of harmonization and unification of the law of international trade, the Council of the International Chamber of Commerce at its 108th session held in Paris on 15 and 16 November 1966 adopted unanimously a resolution, the text of which is reproduced below.

The International Chamber of Commerce,

Taking cognizance of the report on "The Progressive Development of the Law of International Trade" submitted to the twenty-first session of the United Nations General Assembly, in accordance with the terms of resolution 2102 (XX) adopted by it on 20 December 1965;

Noting that this report suggests the creation of a Commission on International Trade Law whose object would be, among others, to co-ordinate the work of different organizations active in this field, to prepare, and promote the adoption of, new international conventions, model and uniform laws, and the codification and wider acceptance of international trade terms, provisions, customs and practices,

Observing with satisfaction that the report, in its description of the activities and methods of the above-mentioned organizations, recognizes the importance of the ICC's own action toward progressive development of international trade law and thus reflects the extent to which its contribution has been welcomed,

Considering that the work already accomplished by the International Chamber of Commerce enables it to make a constructive contribution in the field of the development of international trade law and convinced that this is a sector in which businessmen are particularly competent, given their daily experience of these questions,

Recalling that such institutions as the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, and the Trade and Development Board of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development have been anxious to assure themselves, through appropriate procedure, of the co-operation of the business community,

Expresses the wish that, should the General Assembly establish a Commission on International Trade Law, the procedural rules of this new body will be such as to associate the business community represented by the ICC on a world-wide scale with the Commission's work on a consultative basis.

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