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

Report of the General Committee

The General Committee, at its 75th, 76th and 77th meetings held on 8, 9 and 10 November 1951, considered the provisional agenda (A/1870), the supplementary list of items (A/1900), requests for the inclusion of additional items (A/1938, A/1941, A/1943, A/1944, A/1946) and the allocation of agenda items to committees. The Committee also considered a memorandum of the Secretary-General on the organization of the session (A/BUR/125).

I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1. The General Committee considered that certain items on the provisional agenda and the supplementary list relating to the same question could usefully be grouped together or combined under a single item. The General Committee therefore decided to recommend to the General Assembly:

(i) To add, with a minor drafting change, item 2 of the supplementary list as point (f) under item 42 of the provisional agenda, the combined item to read

"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 Contributions

"(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".

(ii) To combine items 4 and 9 of the supplementary list as follows:

"Admission of new Members, including the right of candidate States

- to present proof of the conditions required under Article 4 of the Charter".
2. The General Committee decided to recommend the deletion of point (d) "Other related questions" under item 26 of the provisional agenda "Economic development of under-developed countries: report of the Economic and Social Council". Any "other related questions" apart from those mentioned under (a), (b) and (c) of item 26 would be covered by item 11 of the provisional agenda "Report of the Economic and Social Council", the chapters of which will be allocated to the Committees of the Assembly as appropriate according to their subject matter.
  3. The General Committee approved a recommendation by the Secretary-General that item 48 of the provisional agenda "Status of claims for injuries incurred in the service of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General" be not included in the agenda of the sixth session. All Members of the Assembly having been informed of the status of claims by a report of the Secretary-General, already circulated as document A/1851, the General Committee considers that this item need not appear on the agenda of the session unless a Member should request a debate thereon.
  4. The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly the deletion of point (c) "Draft code of offences against peace and security of mankind" under item 50 of the provisional agenda "Report of the International Law Commission covering the work of its third session," and to recommend the inclusion of this item in the provisional agenda of the seventh session.
  5. The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that consideration of the question of placing item 6 of the supplementary list "Complaint of violation by France in Morocco of the Principles of the Charter and the Declaration of Human Rights" on the final agenda of the General Assembly be postponed for the time being.
  6. With regard to the request for the inclusion of the additional item "The representation of China in the United Nations" (A/1941), the General Committee adopted the following resolution:

"The General Committee

"Considering that the General Assembly at its fifth session determined that it did not wish to take action on the question of Chinese representation without serious consideration and for that purpose established a committee to consider the question and to make a recommendation to the General Assembly,

"Considering that as recently as 5 November 1951, at the end of the fifth session of the General Assembly, the General Assembly expressed its desire not to refer the matter for consideration to the sixth session, thereby expressing the sense of the General Assembly that the consideration of this question is not opportune or appropriate,

"Recommends that the General Assembly decide to reject the request of the Soviet Union for the inclusion in the agenda of the sixth session of the General Assembly of the additional item entitled "The representation of China in the United Nations"; and

"Recommends that the General Assembly decide to postpone consideration, for the duration of the meeting in Paris of the sixth regular session, of any further proposals to exclude representatives of the National Government of China from the Assembly or to seat representatives of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China to represent China in the Assembly".

7. Taking the above decisions into account, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following agenda:

AGENDA OF THE SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Iran
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. Adoption of the agenda
8. Opening of the general debate
9. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization
10. Report of the Security Council
11. Report of the Economic and Social Council
12. Report of the Trusteeship Council
13. Election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council
14. Election of six members of the Economic and Social Council
15. Election of members of the International Court of Justice:
  - (a) Election of a member of the Court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. J. P. de Barros e Azevedo
  - (b) Election of five members of the Court in accordance with Article 13, paragraph 1, of the Statute
16. International control of atomic energy: report of the Committee of Twelve
17. The problem of the independence of Korea: report of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea
18. Methods which might be used to maintain and strengthen international peace and security in accordance with the Purposes and Principles of the Charter: report of the Collective Measures Committee
19. Threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of Greece:
  - (a) Report of the United Nations Special Committee on the Balkans
  - (b) Repatriation of Greek children: reports of the Secretary-General and of the international Red Cross organizations

/20. Libya:

20. Libya:
  - (a) Annual report of the United Nations Commissioner in Libya
  - (b) Annual reports of the Administering Powers in Libya
21. Libya. Problem of war damages: report of the Secretary-General
22. The appropriate adjustment of the frontiers between Egypt and the former Italian colony of Libya, with particular reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 of Annex XI of the Treaty of Peace with Italy
23. Threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of China and to the peace of the Far East, resulting from Soviet violations of the Sino-Soviet Treaty of Friendship and Alliance of 14 August 1945 and from Soviet violations of the Charter of the United Nations
24. Palestine:
  - (a) Report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine
  - (b) Assistance to Palestine refugees: report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.
25. Treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa
26. Economic development of under-developed countries: report of the Economic and Social Council:
  - (a) Financing of economic development of under-developed countries
  - (b) Land reform
  - (c) Technical assistance for the economic development of under-developed countries
27. Relief and rehabilitation of Korea: reports of the United Nations Agent General for Korean Reconstruction
28. Co-ordination between the United Nations and the specialized agencies:
  - (a) Administrative budgets of the specialized agencies and development of common services: report of the Secretary-General
  - (b) Concentration of effort and resources: report of the Economic and Social Council
29. Draft International Covenant on Human Rights and measures of implementation: report of the Economic and Social Council
30. Refugees and stateless persons:
  - (a) Report of the High Commissioner for Refugees
  - (b) Report of the Economic and Social Council

31. Problems of assistance to refugees: reports of the International Refugee Organization and of the High Commissioner for Refugees
32. Information on the implementation of Trusteeship Council and General Assembly resolutions relating to Trust Territories: report of the Secretary-General
33. Rural economic development of the Trust Territories: report of the Trusteeship Council
34. Abolition of corporal punishment in Trust Territories: reports of Administering Authorities
35. Administrative unions affecting Trust Territories: report of the Trusteeship Council
36. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories:
  - (a) Economic conditions and development in Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Committee on Information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter
  - (b) Summary and analysis of information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter: report of the Secretary-General
  - (c) Information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter: report of the Special Committee
37. Election of two members of the Special Committee on Information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter
38. Question of South West Africa:
  - (a) Implementation of the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice: report of the Ad Hoc Committee on South West Africa
  - (b) Examination of any report on the administration of the Territory of South West Africa which may be submitted by the Government of the Union of South Africa: report of the Ad Hoc Committee on South West Africa
39. Financial reports and accounts, and reports of the Board of Auditors:
  - (a) United Nations, for the financial year ended 31 December 1950
  - (b) United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, for the financial year ended 31 December 1950
  - (c) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, for the period 1 May 1950 to 31 December 1950
  - (d) United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, from date of inception to 30 June 1951

40. Supplementary estimates for 1951: report of the Secretary-General
41. Budget estimates for the financial year 1952:
  - (a) Budget estimates prepared by the Secretary-General
  - (b) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
42. 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 Contributions
  - (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
43. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: annual report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
44. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions
45. Permanent staff regulations of the United Nations: report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
46. Headquarters of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General
47. United Nations telecommunications system: report of the Secretary-General
48. Draft Declaration on Rights and Duties of States: report of the Secretary-General
49. Report of the International Law Commission covering the work of its third session, including:
  - (a) Reservations to multilateral conventions
  - (b) Question of defining aggression
  - (c) Review of the Statute of the International Law Commission with the object of recommending revisions thereof to the General Assembly

50. Reservations to the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide: advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice
51. Designation of non-member States to which a certified copy of the Revised General Act for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes shall be communicated by the Secretary-General for the purpose of accession to this Act: report of the Secretary-General
52. Regulations to give effect to article III, section 8, of the Headquarters Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America: report of the Secretary-General
53. Ways and means for making the evidence of customary international law more readily available: report of the Secretary-General
54. Development of a twenty-year programme for achieving peace through the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General
55. Question of the full participation of Italy in the work of the Trusteeship Council
56. Request of the Government of China for revision of the Chinese text of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide
57. Relations with the World Meteorological Organization
58. Draft Protocol relating to the Status of Stateless Persons
59. Application of the Headquarters Agreement to representatives of non-governmental organizations
60. Admission of new Members, including the right of candidate States to present proof of the conditions required under Article 4 of the Charter
61. Questions concerning the liquidation of the International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation
62. Economic and financial provisions in respect of Eritrea arising out of paragraph 19 of Annex XIV of the Treaty of Peace with Italy
63. Consideration of the Assembly's methods and procedures for dealing with legal and drafting questions
64. Installation of the Assistant Secretary-General, Department of Social Affairs
65. Appointment of an impartial international commission under United Nations supervision to carry out a simultaneous investigation in the Federal Republic of Germany, in Berlin, and in the Soviet Zone of Germany in order to determine whether existing conditions there make it possible to hold genuinely free elections throughout these areas



66. Regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of all armed forces and all armaments
67. Measures to combat the threat of a new world war and to strengthen peace and friendship among the nations
68. Complaint of hostile activities of the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Governments of Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania and Albania, as well as the Governments of Czechoslovakia and Poland, against Yugoslavia.

## II. ESTABLISHMENT OF AD HOC COMMITTEES

8. The General Committee recommends the establishment of an Ad Hoc Political Committee and of a Joint Second and Third Committee on which each Member may be represented by one person, as provided in rules 96 and 100 of the rules of procedure.

## III. ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS TO COMMITTEES

9. The General Committee recommends the following allocation of agenda items to Committees:

### PLENARY MEETINGS

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Iran
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation
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4. Election of the President
5. Constitution of the Main Committees and election of officers
6. Election of Vice-Presidents
7. Adoption of the agenda
8. Opening of the general debate
9. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization
10. Election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council
11. Election of six members of the Economic and Social Council
12. Election of members of the International Court of Justice
  - (a) Election of a member of the Court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. J. P. de Barros e Azevedo
  - (b) Election of five members of the Court in accordance with Article 13, paragraph 1, of the Statute
13. Installation of the Assistant Secretary-General, Department of Social Affairs
14. Development of a twenty-year programme for achieving peace through the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General

FIRST COMMITTEE

1. International control of atomic energy: report of the Committee of Twelve
2. The problem of the independence of Korea: report of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea
3. Methods which might be used to maintain and strengthen international peace and security in accordance with the Purposes and Principles of the Charter; report of the Collective Measures Committee
4. Threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of China and to the peace of the Far East, resulting from Soviet violations of the Sino-Soviet Treaty of Friendship and Alliance of 14 August 1945 and from Soviet violations of the Charter of the United Nations
5. Admission of new Members, including the right of candidate States to present proof of the conditions required under Article 4 of the Charter
6. Regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of all armed forces and all armaments
7. Measures to combat the threat of a new world war and to strengthen peace and friendship among the nations

AD HOC POLITICAL COMMITTEE

1. Report of the Security Council
2. Threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of Greece:
  - (a) Report of the United Nations Special Committee on the Balkans
  - (b) Repatriation of Greek children: reports of the Secretary-General and of the international Red Cross organization
3. Libya:
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4. The appropriate adjustment of the frontiers between Egypt and the former Italian colony of Libya, with particular reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 of Annex XI of the Treaty of Peace with Italy
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  - (a) Report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine
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6. Treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa
7. Appointment of an impartial international commission under United Nations supervision to carry out a simultaneous investigation in the Federal Republic of Germany, in Berlin, and in the Soviet Zone of Germany in order to determine whether existing conditions there make it possible to hold genuinely free elections throughout these areas
8. Complaint of hostile activities of the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Governments of Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania and Albania, as well as the Governments of Czechoslovakia and Poland, against Yugoslavia

SECOND COMMITTEE

1. Economic development of under-developed countries: report of the Economic and Social Council (chapter III)
  - (a) Financing of economic development of under-developed countries
  - (b) Land reform
  - (c) Technical assistance for the economic development of under-developed countries
2. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapter II)
3. Economic and financial provisions in respect of Eritrea arising out of paragraph 19 of Annex XIV of the Treaty of Peace with Italy
4. Libya. Problem of war damages: report of the Secretary-General

THIRD COMMITTEE

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters IV, V and VI)
2. Draft International Covenant on Human Rights and measures of implementation: report of the Economic and Social Council
3. Refugees and stateless persons:
  - (a) Report of the High Commissioner for Refugees
  - (b) Report of the Economic and Social Council
4. Problems of assistance to refugees: reports of the International Refugee Organization and of the High Commissioner for Refugees
5. Draft Protocol relating to the Status of Stateless Persons

JOINT SECOND AND THIRD COMMITTEE

1. Relations with the World Meteorological Organization
2. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters I, VII, VIII and IX)  
(Note: Section I of chapter VIII to be discussed in joint meeting with the Fifth Committee)
3. Co-ordination between the United Nations and the specialized agencies:
  - (a) Administrative budgets of the specialized agencies and development of common services: report of the Secretary-General

(b) Concentration of effort and resources: report of the Economic and Social Council

(Note: To be discussed in joint meeting with the Fifth Committee)

4. Relief and rehabilitation of Korea: reports of the United Nations Agent General for Korean Reconstruction

#### FOURTH COMMITTEE

1. Report of the Trusteeship Council
2. Information on the Implementation of Trusteeship Council and General Assembly resolutions relating to Trust Territories: report of the Secretary-General
3. Rural economic development of the Trust Territories: report of the Trusteeship Council
4. Abolition of corporal punishment in Trust Territories: reports of Administering Authorities
5. Administrative unions affecting Trust Territories: report of the Trusteeship Council
6. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories:
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  - (a) Implementation of the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice: report of the Ad Hoc Committee on South West Africa
  - (b) Examination of any report on the administration of the Territory of South West Africa which may be submitted by the Government of the Union of South Africa: report of the Ad Hoc Committee on South West Africa

9. Question of the full participation of Italy in the work of the Trusteeship Council.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

1. Financial reports and accounts, and reports of the Board of Auditors:
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  - (b) United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, for the financial year ended 31 December 1950
  - (c) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, for the period 1 May 1950 to 31 December 1950
  - (d) United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, from date of inception to 30 June 1951
2. Budget estimates for the financial year 1952:
  - (a) Budget estimates prepared by the Secretary-General
  - (b) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions  
(Note: Including chapter X of the report of the Economic and Social Council)
3. Supplementary estimates for 1951: report of the Secretary-General
4. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions
5. Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly:
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  - (d) Investments Committee: confirmation of the appointment made by the Secretary-General
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  - (a) Administrative budgets of the specialized agencies and development of common services: report of the Secretary-General
  - (b) Concentration of effort and resources: report of the Economic and Social Council
- (Note: To be discussed in joint meeting with the Joint Second and Third Committee)
- 7. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapter VIII, section I)
- 8. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: annual report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
- 9. Permanent staff regulations of the United Nations: report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
- 10. Headquarters of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General
- 11. United Nations telecommunications system: report of the Secretary-General
- 12. Questions concerning the liquidation of the International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation

#### SIXTH COMMITTEE

- 1. Draft Declaration on Rights and Duties of States: report of the Secretary-General
  - 2. Report of the International Law Commission covering the work of its third session, including:
    - (a) Reservations to multilateral conventions
    - (b) Question of defining aggression
    - (c) Review of the Statute of the International Law Commission with the object of recommending revisions thereof to the General Assembly
  - 3. Reservations to the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide: advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice
  - 4. Designation of non-member States to which a certified copy of the Revised General Act for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes shall be communicated by the Secretary-General for the purpose of accession to this Act: report of the Secretary General
  - 5. Regulations to give effect to article III, section 8, of the Headquarters Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America: report of the Secretary-General
- /6. Ways



6. Ways and means for making the evidence of customary international law more readily available: report of the Secretary-General
7. Request of the Government of China for revision of the Chinese text of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide
8. Application of the Headquarters Agreement to representatives of non-governmental organizations
9. Consideration of the Assembly's methods and procedures for dealing with legal and drafting questions

#### IV. ORGANIZATION OF THE SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

10. 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 shall begin at 10.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m.
  - (b) That a six-day working week be established, and that normally on Saturdays one extended meeting be scheduled for Committees from 10.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
11. On the proposal of the Secretary-General, the General Committee recommends that the Christmas recess should extend from 23 to 27 December inclusive, it being understood that 1 January 1952 will be an official holiday.
12. On the proposal of the Secretary-General, the General Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve, in accordance with rule 2 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, 26 January 1952 as the target date for the closing of the sixth session.

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