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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE NINTH REGULAR SESSION  
AND ALLOCATION OF ITEMS TO COMMITTEES, AND ORGANIZATION  
OF THE SESSIONReport of the General Committee

1. The General Committee, at its 92nd meeting held on 22 September 1954, considered the memorandum of the Secretary-General on the organization of the session (A/BUR/139) and began consideration of the provisional agenda (A/2667) and the supplementary list of items (A/2715) as contained in the memorandum of the Secretary-General relating to the adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to Committees (A/BUR/138). The consideration of this latter memorandum was completed at the 93rd meeting held on 23 September 1954.
2. Statements were made with respect to the inclusion of items 21, 22, 23 and 61,<sup>1/</sup> and of items 62, 64 and 65;<sup>2/</sup> after discussion, it was decided to recommend these items for inclusion. The remaining items were recommended for inclusion without discussion; the allocation of items proposed by the Secretary-General was also approved without discussion.

## I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

3. The General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following agenda for the ninth regular session:

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<sup>1/</sup> See A/BUR/SR.92

<sup>2/</sup> See A/BUR/SR.93

AGENDA OF THE NINTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of India
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 members of the International Court of Justice:
  - (a) Election of a member of the Court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sir Benegal Rau
  - (b) Election of five members of the Court
17. The Korean question:
  - (a) Report of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea
  - (b) Report of the United Nations Agent General for Korean Reconstruction
18. Report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
19. 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
20. Regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of all armed forces and all armaments: report of the Disarmament Commission
21. Admission of new Members to the United Nations:
  - (a) Report of the Committee of Good Offices
  - (b) Admission of Laos and Cambodia

22. Treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa: report of the United Nations Good Offices Commission
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. Appointment of members of the Peace Observation Commission
25. Economic development of under-developed countries:
  - (a) Question of the establishment of a special United Nations fund for economic development: summary by the Secretary-General of comments of Governments on the report of the Committee of Nine, report of Mr. Raymond Scheyven and report of the Economic and Social Council
  - (b) Question of the establishment of an international finance corporation: report of the Economic and Social Council
  - (c) International flow of private capital for the economic development of under-developed countries
  - (d) Land reform
26. Programmes of technical assistance: report of the Economic and Social Council
27. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
28. Freedom of information: report of the Economic and Social Council
29. Question of organizing an international professional conference to prepare the final text of an International Code of Ethics for the use of information personnel: report of the Secretary-General
30. Forced labour: report of the Economic and Social Council
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 economic conditions
  - (b) Information on other conditions
  - (c) Transmission of information
  - (d) Participation of Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories
32. Cessation of the transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter: report of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories:
  - (a) Communication from the Government of Denmark concerning Greenland
  - (b) Other communications
33. Election to fill vacancies in the membership of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories

34. Question of South West Africa: report of the Committee on South West Africa
35. The Togoland unification problem: special 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 1953
  - (b) United Nations Children's Fund, for the financial year ended 31 December 1953
  - (c) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, for the financial year ended 30 June 1954
  - (d) United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, for the financial year ended 30 June 1954
  - (e) United Nations Refugee Emergency Fund, for the period 1 March 1952 to 31 December 1953
37. Supplementary estimates for the financial year 1954
38. Budget estimates for the financial year 1955
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 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
40. Headquarters of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General
41. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions
42. Report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds
43. Administrative and budgetary co-ordination between the United Nations and the specialized agencies: reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
44. 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
45. Audit reports relating to expenditure by specialized agencies of technical assistance funds allocated from the Special Account
46. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund:
  - (a) Annual report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
  - (b) 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

- (c) Admission of staff members of the Interim Commission for the International Trade Organization to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
- (d) Revision of the administrative rules of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
- 47. System of allowances to members of commissions, committees and other subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly or other organs of the United Nations: reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
- 48. Awards of compensation made by the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice
- 49. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixth session
- 50. International criminal jurisdiction: report of the 1953 Committee on International Criminal Jurisdiction
- 51. Question of defining aggression: report of the Special Committee on the Question of Defining Aggression
- 52. The future of the Trust Territory of Togoland under United Kingdom Trusteeship
- 53. Organization of the Secretariat
- 54. Personnel policy of the United Nations
- 55. Translation of some official documents of the General Assembly into the Arabic language in accordance with rule 59 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly
- 56. The Morocco question
- 57. The Tunisia question
- 58. Draft International Covenants on Human Rights
- 59. Status of women in private law: customs, ancient laws and practices affecting the human dignity of women
- 60. Amendment to the rules of procedure of the General Assembly; proposal for a new rule concerning corrections of vote
- 61. The question of West Irian (West New Guinea)
- 62. 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
- 63. Complaint by the Union of Burma regarding aggression against it by the Government of the Republic of China
- 64. Draft articles on the continental shelf
- 65. Economic development of fisheries and question of fishery conservation and regulation
- 66. Establishment of a world food reserve

## II. ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS TO COMMITTEES

4. 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 India
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 (chapters I, VI, VII and VIII)
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 Sir Penegal Rau
  - (b) Election of five members of the Court
16. Appointment of members of the Peace Observation Commission

### FIRST COMMITTEE

1. The Korean question:
  - (a) Report of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea
2. 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
3. Regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of all armed forces and all armaments: report of the Disarmament Commission

4. The Tunisia question
5. The Morocco question
6. The question of West Irian (West New Guinea)
7. 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.

#### AD HOC POLITICAL COMMITTEE

1. Report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
2. Admission of new Members to the United Nations:
  - (a) Report of the Committee of Good Offices
  - (b) Admission of Laos and Cambodia
3. Treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa: report of the United Nations Good Offices Commission
4. 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
5. Complaint by the Union of Burma regarding aggression against it by the Government of the Republic of China

#### SECOND COMMITTEE

1. Establishment of a world food reserve
2. Economic development of fisheries and question of fishery conservation and regulation
3. The Korean question:
  - (b) Report of the United Nations Agent General for Korean Reconstruction
4. Economic development of under-developed countries:
  - (a) Question of the establishment of a special United Nations fund for economic development: summary by the Secretary-General of comments of Governments on the report of the Committee of Nine, report of Mr. Raymond Scheyven and report of the Economic and Social Council
  - (b) Question of the establishment of an international finance corporation: report of the Economic and Social Council

- (c) International flow of private capital for the economic development of under-developed countries
- (d) Land reform
- 5. Programmes of technical assistance: report of the Economic and Social Council
- 6. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters II and III)

#### THIRD COMMITTEE

- 1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- 2. Forced labour: report of the Economic and Social Council
- 3. Freedom of information: report of the Economic and Social Council
- 4. Question of organizing an international professional conference to prepare the final text of an International Code of Ethics for the use of information personnel: report of the Secretary-General
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- 6. Status of women in private law: customs, ancient laws and practices affecting the human dignity of women
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  - (d) Participation of Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories
- 3. Cessation of the transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter: report of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories:
  - (a) Communication from the Government of Denmark concerning Greenland
  - (b) Other communications



4. Election to fill vacancies in the membership of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories
5. Report of the Trusteeship Council
6. The Togoland unification problem: special report of the Trusteeship Council
7. The future of the Trust Territory of Togoland under United Kingdom Trusteeship

#### FIFTH COMMITTEE

1. Financial reports and accounts, and reports of the Board of Auditors:
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  - (e) United Nations Refugee Emergency Fund, for the period 1 March 1952 to 31 December 1953
2. Review of audit procedure of the United Nations and the specialized agencies: reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
3. Report of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds
4. System of allowances to members of commissions, committees and other subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly or other organs of the United Nations: reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
5. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions
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  - (b) 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
  - (c) Admission of staff members of the Interim Commission for the International Trade Organization to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
  - (d) Revision of the administrative rules of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapter IX)
13. Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly:
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  - (b) Committee on Contributions
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14. Headquarters of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General
15. Personnel policy of the United Nations
16. Awards of compensation made by the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice
17. Supplementary estimates for the financial year 1954

#### SIXTH COMMITTEE

1. Draft articles on the continental shelf
2. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixth session
3. International criminal jurisdiction: report of the 1953 Committee on International Criminal Jurisdiction
4. Question of defining aggression: report of the Special Committee on the Question of Defining Aggression
5. Amendment to the rules of procedure of the General Assembly: proposal for a new rule concerning corrections of vote

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

5. 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.
6. The General Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve, in accordance with rule 2 of the rules of procedure, 10 December 1954 as the closing date for the ninth session.

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