- "(a) By a signatory which has not yet ratified?
- "(b) By a State entitled to sign or accede but which has not yet done so?";
- 2. Invites the International Law Commission:
- (a) In the course of its work on the codification of the law of treaties, to study the question of reservations to multilateral conventions both from the point of view of codification and from that of the progressive development of international law; to give priority to this study and to report thereon, especially as regards multilateral conventions of which the Secretary-General is the depositary, this report to be considered by the General Assembly at its sixth session;
- (b) In connexion with this study, to take account of all the views expressed during the fifth session of the General Assembly, and particularly in the Sixth Committee:
- 3. Instructs the Secretary-General, pending the rendering of the advisory opinion by the International Court of Justice, the receipt of a report from the International Law Commission and further action by the General Assembly, to follow his prior practice with respect to the receipt of reservations to conventions and with respect to the notification and solicitation of approvals thereof, all without prejudice to the legal effect of objections to reservations to conventions as it may be recommended by the General Assembly at its sixth session.

305th plenary meeting, 16 November 1950.

## 479 (V). Rules for the calling of non-governmental conferences by the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly,

Having considered the draft rules<sup>7</sup> for the calling of non-governmental conferences by the Economic and Social Council, which were submitted by the Secretary-General after consultation with the Council.

Approves the following rules for the calling of non-governmental conferences by the Economic and Social Council:

#### Rule 1

The Economic and Social Council, after consultation with the Secretary-General, may at any time decide to call a non-governmental conference on any matter within its competence.

#### Rule 2

- 1. When the Council has decided to call a conference, as provided for in rule 1, it shall:
  - (a) Prescribe the terms of reference;
- (b) Fix the date, the place and the appropriate duration of the conference and prepare its provisional agenda;

- (c) Determine who shall be invited;
- (d) Make recommendations for financing, subject to the applicable regulations, rules and resolutions of the General Assembly;
- (e) Make such other arrangements in connexion with the conference as it sees fit.
- 2. In applying rule 2, sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph 1, the Economic and Social Council shall, when it decides to invite non-governmental organizations, have regard to the terms of Article 71 of the Charter. National organizations without consultative status may be invited only after consultation with the Member of the United Nations concerned.
- 3. The Council may decide to entrust the Secretary-General with any of the tasks mentioned in sub-paragraphs (b), (d) and (e) of paragraph 1. It may also authorize him to make such modifications as circumstances may require in carrying out any decision of the Council made pursuant to sub-paragraphs (b), (d) and (e).

### Rule 3

The Secretary-General shall notify all Members of the United Nations of the conference and shall send them copies of the provisional agenda. He shall also inform each Member State of the invitations issued.

320th plenary meeting, 12 December 1950.

480 (V). 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

The General Assembly

Decides to defer until its sixth session consideration of the question of the designation of non-member States to which a certified copy of the Revised General Act<sup>8</sup> for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes shall be communicated by the Secretary-General for the purpose of accession to this Act.

> 320th plenary meeting, 12 December 1950.

# 481 (V). Regulations to give effect to article III, section 8, of the Headquarters Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America

The General Assembly.

Bearing in mind the provisions of article III, section 8, of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Head-quarters of the United Nations, approved by General Assembly resolution 169 (II) of 31 October 1947,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifth Session, Sixth Committee, Annexes, Agenda item 53, document A/1333.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See resolution 268 A (III).