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**ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST REGULAR SESSION
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

*Adopted by the General Assembly
at its 4th plenary meeting,
on 24 September 1976*

Plenary meetings

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2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation (item 2).
3. Credentials of representatives to the thirty-first session of the General Assembly (item 3):
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14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (item 14).
15. Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council (item 15).
16. Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council (item 16).
17. Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations (item 17).
18. Election of fifteen members of the Industrial Development Board (item 18).
19. Election of nineteen members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (item 19).
20. Election of twelve members of the World Food Council (item 20).
21. Election of twelve members of the Board of Governors of the United Nations Special Fund (item 21).
22. Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (item 22).
23. Election of the members of the International Law Commission (item 23).
24. Election of seventeen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (item 24).
25. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 25).¹
26. Admission of new Members to the United Nations (item 26).
27. Question of Palestine (item 27):
 - (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People;
 - (b) Report of the Secretary-General.
28. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity: report of the Secretary-General (item 28).
29. The situation in the Middle East (item 29).
30. Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea (item 30).
31. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (item 56):²
 - (d) Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General.
32. United Nations Environment Programme (item 60):³
 - (d) Election of the Executive Director.
33. United Nations Special Fund (item 62):⁴
 - (b) Confirmation of the appointment of the Executive Director.
34. Question of Namibia (item 85):⁵
 - (d) Appointment of the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia.
35. One hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Amphictyonic Congress of Panama (item 117).
36. Question of Cyprus (item 118).⁶
37. Observer status for the Commonwealth Secretariat at the United Nations (item 119).
38. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte (item 122).
39. Policies of *apartheid* of the Government of South Africa (item 52):
 - (a) Report of the Special Committee against *Apartheid*;
 - (b) Report of the Secretary-General.

¹ See also "Fourth Committee", item 9.

² For subitems (a) to (c), see below "Second Committee", item 2.

³ For subitems (a) to (c), see below "Second Committee", item 6.

⁴ For subitem (a), see below "Second Committee", item 8.

⁵ For subitems (a) to (c), see below "Fourth Committee", item 2.

⁶ The General Assembly decided to consider this item directly in plenary meetings with the understanding that it would, when considering the item, invite the Special Political Committee to meet for the purpose of affording representatives of the Cypriot communities an opportunity to take the floor in the Committee in order to express their views, and that it would resume its consideration of the item taking into account the report of the Special Political Committee.

First Committee

1. International co-operation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (item 31).
2. Preparation of an international convention on principles governing the use by States of artificial earth satellites for direct television broadcasting: report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (item 32).
3. Implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security: report of the Secretary-General (item 33).
4. Reduction of military budgets: report of the Secretary-General (item 34).
5. Incendiary and other specific conventional weapons which may be the subject of prohibitions or restrictions of use for humanitarian reasons: report of the Secretary-General (item 35).
6. Chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons: report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (item 36).
7. Urgent need for cessation of nuclear and thermonuclear tests and conclusion of a treaty designed to achieve a comprehensive test ban: report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (item 37).
8. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 3467 (XXX) concerning the signature and ratification of Additional Protocol II of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (item 38).
9. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace: report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Indian Ocean (item 39).
10. World Disarmament Conference: report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the World Disarmament Conference (item 40).
11. Effective measures to implement the purposes and objectives of the Disarmament Decade (item 41).
12. Implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa (item 42).
13. Comprehensive study of the question of nuclear-weapon-free zones in all its aspects: report of the Secretary-General (item 43).
14. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (item 44).
15. Convention on the prohibition of military or any other hostile use of environmental modification techniques: report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (item 45).
16. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia (item 46).
17. Conclusion of a treaty on the complete and general prohibition of nuclear weapon tests (item 47).
18. Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (item 48).
19. General and complete disarmament (item 49):
 - (a) Report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament;
 - (b) Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency;
 - (c) Report of the Secretary-General.

20. Strengthening of the role of the United Nations in the field of disarmament: report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Review of the Role of the United Nations in the Field of Disarmament (item 50).
21. Implementation of the conclusions of the first Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (item 116).

Special Political Committee

1. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (item 51).
2. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (item 53):
 - (a) Report of the Commissioner-General;
 - (b) Report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
 - (c) Report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine;
 - (d) Report of the Secretary-General.
3. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations (item 54).
4. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories (item 55).
5. Situation arising out of unilateral withdrawal of Ganges waters at Farakka (item 121).
6. Question of Cyprus (item 118).⁶

Second Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters II, III (sections A to E, H to K and M), IV, V, VI (section A) and VII (sections B to D and F)] (item 12).⁷
2. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (item 56):⁸
 - (a) Report of the Conference on its fourth session;
 - (b) Report of the Trade and Development Board;
 - (c) Report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.
3. United Nations Industrial Development Organization: report of the Industrial Development Board (item 57).
4. United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Executive Director (item 58).
5. Operational activities for development (item 59):
 - (a) United Nations Development Programme;
 - (b) United Nations Capital Development Fund;
 - (c) Technical co-operation activities undertaken by the Secretary-General;
 - (d) United Nations Volunteers programme;
 - (e) United Nations Fund for Population Activities;
 - (f) United Nations Children's Fund;
 - (g) World Food Programme.
6. United Nations Environment Programme (item 60):⁹
 - (a) Report of the Governing Council;
 - (b) Report of the Secretary-General;
 - (c) Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements: report of the Secretary-General.
7. Food problems: report of the World Food Council (item 61).
8. United Nations Special Fund (item 62):¹⁰
 - (a) Report of the Board of Governors.
9. United Nations University (item 63):
 - (a) Report of the Council of the United Nations University;
 - (b) Report of the Secretary-General.
10. Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator: reports of the Secretary-General (item 64).
11. Revision of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade (item 65).

⁷ The parts of the report listed below have been referred also to the Third and Fifth Committees as follows:

Chapters II, IV (section A) and V Third Committee
 Chapters III (sections D, E and H to J), IV (section F) and VII (sections C and F) Fifth Committee
 Chapter VII (section D) Third and Fifth Committees

⁸ For subitem (d), see above "Plenary meetings", item 31.

⁹ For subitem (d), see above "Plenary meetings", item 32.

¹⁰ For subitem (b), see above "Plenary meetings", item 33.

12. Development and international economic co-operation: implementation of the decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its seventh special session (item 66):
 - (a) Report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System;
 - (b) Reports of the Secretary-General.
13. Economic co-operation among developing countries: report of the Secretary-General (item 67).
14. Technical co-operation among developing countries (item 68).

Third Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters II, III (sections F, G and L), IV (section A), V, VI (sections B to D) and VII (section D)] (item 12).¹¹
2. Elimination of all forms of racial discrimination (item 69):
 - (a) Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination: report of the Secretary-General;
 - (b) Reports of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;
 - (c) Status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination: report of the Secretary-General;
 - (d) Status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of *Apartheid*.
3. Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa (item 70).
4. Human rights and scientific and technological developments (item 71).
5. World social situation: report of the Secretary-General (item 72).

¹¹ The parts of the report listed below have been referred also to the Second and Fifth Committees as follows:

Chapters II, IV (section A) and V Second Committee
 Chapters III (sections F and G) and VI (sections B to D) Fifth Committee
 Chapter VII (section D) Second and Fifth Committees

Fourth Committee

6. Policies and programmes relating to youth: reports of the Secretary-General (item 73).
7. Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (item 74).
8. United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace: report of the Secretary-General (item 75).
9. Importance of the universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination and of the speedy granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples for the effective guarantee and observance of human rights: report of the Secretary-General (item 76).
10. Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance (item 77).
11. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: report of the High Commissioner (item 78).
12. National experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress: report of the Secretary-General (item 79).
13. Freedom of information (item 80):
 - (a) Draft Declaration on Freedom of Information;
 - (b) Draft Convention on Freedom of Information.
14. Status of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights: report of the Secretary-General (item 81).
15. United Nations conference for an international convention on adoption law (item 82).
16. Preservation and further development of cultural values (item 83).
17. Co-operation and assistance in the application and improvement of mass communications for social progress and development (item 120).

1. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations (item 84):
 - (a) Report of the Secretary-General;
 - (b) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.
2. Question of Namibia (item 85):¹²
 - (a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;
 - (b) Report of the United Nations Council for Namibia;
 - (c) United Nations Fund for Namibia: report of the Secretary-General.
3. Question of Southern Rhodesia: report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 86).
4. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia and Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa: report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 87).
5. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (item 88):
 - (a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;
 - (b) Reports of the Secretary-General.
6. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapter VII (section E)] (item 12).
7. United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa: report of the Secretary-General (item 89).
8. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Secretary-General (item 90).
9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [chapters relating to specific Territories] (item 25).¹³

¹² For subitem (d), see above "Plenary meetings", item 34.

¹³ See also "Plenary meetings", item 25.

Fifth Committee

1. Financial reports and accounts, and reports of the Board of Auditors (item 91):
 - (a) United Nations;
 - (b) United Nations Development Programme;
 - (c) United Nations Children's Fund;
 - (d) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
 - (e) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;
 - (f) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
 - (g) Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme;
 - (h) United Nations Fund for Population Activities.
2. Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 (item 92).
3. Medium-term plan (item 93):
 - (a) Medium-term plan for the period 1978-1981 and revised plan for 1977;
 - (b) Implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit: report of the Secretary-General.
4. Financial emergency of the United Nations: report of the Negotiating Committee on the Financial Emergency of the United Nations (item 94).
5. Review of the intergovernmental and expert machinery dealing with the formulation, review and approval of programmes and budgets (item 95).
6. Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency: report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (item 96).
7. Joint Inspection Unit (item 97):
 - (a) Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit;
 - (b) Question of the continuation of the Joint Inspection Unit.
8. Pattern of conferences: report of the Committee on Conferences (item 98).
9. United Nations accommodation (item 99):
 - (a) Utilization of office accommodation in the United Nations system;
 - (b) Utilization of office accommodation and conference facilities at the Donaupark Centre in Vienna: report of the Secretary-General.
10. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions (item 100).
11. Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of subsidiary organs of the General Assembly (item 101):
 - (a) Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
 - (b) Committee on Contributions;
 - (c) Board of Auditors;
 - (d) Investments Committee: confirmation of the appointments made by the Secretary-General;
 - (e) United Nations Administrative Tribunal;
 - (f) International Civil Service Commission;
 - (g) United Nations Staff Pension Committee.
12. Personnel questions (item 102):
 - (a) Composition of the Secretariat: report of the Secretary-General.
 - (b) Other personnel questions: report of the Secretary-General.
13. Report of the International Civil Service Commission (item 103).
14. United Nations pension system: report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (item 104).
15. Financing of the United Nations Emergency Force and of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force: report of the Secretary-General (item 105).
16. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters III (sections D to J), IV (section F), VI (sections B to D), VII (sections A, C, D and F) and VIII (sections G and H)] (item 12).¹⁴

¹⁴ The parts of the report listed below have been referred also to the Second and Third Committees as follows:

Chapters III (sections D, E and H to J), IV (section F) and VII (sections C and F)	Second Committee
Chapters III (sections F and G) and VI (sections B to D)	Third Committee
Chapter VII (section D)	Second and Third Committees

Sixth Committee

1. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its twenty-eighth session (item 106).
2. Conference of plenipotentiaries on succession of States in respect of treaties: report of the Secretary-General (item 107).
3. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its ninth session (item 108).
4. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (item 109).
5. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (item 110).
6. Respect for human rights in armed conflicts: report of the Secretary-General (item 111).
7. Implementation by States of the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961: report of the Secretary-General (item 112).
8. Measures to prevent international terrorism which endangers or takes innocent human lives or jeopardizes fundamental freedoms, and study of the underlying causes of those forms of terrorism and acts of violence which lie in misery, frustration, grievance and despair and which cause some people to sacrifice human lives, including their own, in an attempt to effect radical changes: report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on International Terrorism (item 113).
9. Resolutions adopted by the United Nations Conference on the Representation of States in Their Relations with International Organizations (item 114):
 - (a) Resolution relating to the observer status of national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the League of Arab States;
 - (b) Resolution relating to the application of the Convention in future activities of international organizations.
10. Consolidation and progressive evolution of the norms and principles of international economic development law (item 115).