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ORGANIZATION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH REGULAR SESSION  
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA  
AND ALLOCATION OF ITEMS

Memorandum by the Secretary-General

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## I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Secretary-General has the honour to place before the General Committee, for its consideration, the following observations and proposals in connexion with the report to be made to the plenary meeting by the General Committee regarding the organization of the twenty-fifth regular session of the General Assembly, the adoption of the agenda and the allocation of items.

## II. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

### Schedule of meetings

2. It is suggested that both plenary and committee meetings should begin promptly at 10.30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

3. It is proposed that a five-day working week should be established, on the understanding that meetings on Saturdays, as well as night meetings, may be scheduled should this prove necessary.

### General debate

4. In view of the considerable number of items already inscribed on the draft agenda and of the time which will be required for the meetings commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Organization, the General Committee may wish to draw the General Assembly's attention to the procedure approved at the twenty-fourth session concerning the general debate, particularly in connexion with the list of speakers and the exercise of the right of reply.<sup>1/</sup> In addition, experience has shown that it may be desirable for delegations to exercise their right of reply at the end of the day whenever two meetings have been scheduled for that day.

### Commemorative session

5. The Committee for the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the United Nations will soon submit a report (A/8060) on the organization of the commemorative session. In connexion with that session, the General Committee may wish to recommend that

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<sup>1/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda item 8, document A/7700, paragraph 17.

priority should be given in the plenary and in the Main Committees to the consideration of those items for which documents must be prepared for adoption at the commemorative session.

Closing date of the session

6. In accordance with the provisions of rule 2 of the rules of procedure, the Secretary-General wishes to suggest that, following the practice of the General Assembly to meet for a period of thirteen weeks, the General Committee propose to the Assembly that the closing date of the twenty-fifth session should be Tuesday, 15 December 1970.

Verbatim records of the Main Committees

7. The Secretary-General wishes to draw to the General Committee's attention the fact that in previous years, in accordance with a recommendation made by the Fifth Committee at the second session, verbatim records have been authorized "for one Main Committee at a time, the Committee which, in the opinion of the General Committee, has the most important items on its agenda".<sup>2/</sup> The Secretary-General suggests that the First Committee be provided with verbatim services. As previously, the verbatim records would be the official records of the First Committee and the summary records would remain the official records of all other Main Committees. In this connexion, the General Committee may wish to recommend that the General Assembly should modify its practice regarding the verbatim transcription of debates in the Special Political Committee in view of the Assembly's decision, in paragraph 10 (a) of resolution 2538 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, that "no United Nations body or organ shall have both verbatim and summary records".

Seating arrangements

8. In accordance with the established practice, the Secretary-General has caused lots to be drawn for the purpose of choosing the Member to occupy the first desk on

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<sup>2/</sup> Ibid., Second Session, Plenary Meetings, vol. II, annex 6 (b), document A/498, p. 1501.

the Assembly floor from which the alphabetical seating order will begin. The Ivory Coast was the name drawn and, consequently, the delegation of that country will sit at the first desk at the right of the President and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order would be followed by the Main Committees.

#### Use of the General Assembly Hall by Main Committees

9. Since there are only five conference rooms available, the Secretary-General suggests that all the Main Committees make full use of the General Assembly Hall when no plenary meeting is being held and, in particular, use the voting machine on a rotating basis.

### III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

10. All proposals for the inclusion of items in the agenda of the twenty-fifth session have been communicated to the members of the General Assembly in the following documents:

- (a) Provisional agenda of the twenty-fifth regular session of the General Assembly (A/8000/Rev.1);
- (b) Supplementary list of items proposed for inclusion in the agenda of the twenty-fifth regular session of the General Assembly (A/8050/Rev.1).

The items proposed for inclusion are listed in the draft agenda, which appears in paragraph 16 below.

11. In connexion with item 12 of the draft agenda (Report of the Economic and Social Council), the Secretary-General wishes to draw the attention of the General Committee to a number of reports which the General Assembly specifically requested or which the Economic and Social Council decided to transmit to the Assembly. These reports, which will be considered under agenda item 12, deal with the following questions:

- (a) Population and its relation to economic and social development  
[Economic and Social Council resolution 1347 (XLV) of 30 July 1968];
- (b) Exploitation and conservation of living marine resources  
[resolution 2413 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968];
- (c) International co-operation on questions related to the oceans  
[resolution 2414 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968];
- (d) Increase in the production and use of edible protein  
[resolution 2416 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968];
- (e) Outflow of trained professional and technical personnel at all levels from the developing to the developed countries, its causes, its consequences and practical remedies for the problems resulting from it  
[resolution 2417 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968];
- (f) International co-operation with a view to the use of computers and computation techniques for development [resolution 2458 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968];
- (g) Human resources for development [resolution 2460 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1444 (XLVII) of 31 July 1969];
- (h) Economic and social consequences of disarmament [decision taken by the Economic and Social Council on 12 May 1970];
- (i) Trends in the social situation of children [Economic and Social Council resolution 1493 (XLVIII) of 26 May 1970].

12. With regard to item 31 of the draft agenda (Implementation of the results of the Conference of Non-Nuclear-Weapon States), the Secretary-General would like to remind the General Committee that the First Committee, at its 1722nd meeting, on 12 December 1969, decided that the wording of paragraph 9 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/L.497, which later became resolution 2605 A (XXIV), would cover the inclusion in the provisional agenda of the twenty-fifth session of the question of convening a session of the Disarmament Commission early in 1971.

13. With regard to item 77 of the draft agenda (Pattern of conferences), the General Assembly, in paragraph 15 of resolution 2609 (XXIV), requested the Joint Inspection Unit to submit a report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session. The Secretary-General has been informed by the Chairman of the Joint

Inspection Unit that the report will not be available until the twenty-sixth session. It is suggested, therefore, that sub-item (b) of item 77 should be deleted. The item would thus read:

"Pattern of conferences: report of the Secretary-General."

14. Item 101 of the draft agenda (Establishment of a United Nations Fund for Namibia) refers to a question which already appears as item 64 of the draft agenda (Question of Namibia). The Committee may wish, therefore, to propose to the General Assembly the inclusion of item 101 as a sub-item of item 64. Item 64 would thus read:

"Question of Namibia:

- (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) Establishment of a United Nations Fund for Namibia;
- (d) Appointment of the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia."

15. With regard to item 102 of the draft agenda (Second United Nations Development Decade: social policy and planning in national development), the Secretary-General would like to remind the members of the General Committee of the fact that in his request for the inclusion of this item (A/8041) the Acting Permanent Representative of Sweden suggested that the General Assembly should consider the matter in connexion with agenda item 43 (Second United Nations Development Decade).

16. Subject to the General Committee's recommendations regarding paragraphs 11 to 15 above, the draft agenda of the twenty-fifth session would consist of the following items:<sup>3/</sup>

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<sup>3/</sup> Abbreviations used in the present document:

- (P. ) : an item on the provisional agenda (A/8000/Rev.1);
- (S. ) : an item on the supplementary list (A/8050/Rev.1).

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Liberia (P.1).
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation (P.2).
3. Credentials of representatives to the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly (P.3):
  - (a) Appointment of the Credentials Committee;
  - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
4. Election of the President (P.4).
5. Constitution of the Main Committees and election of officers (P.5).
6. Election of Vice-Presidents (P.6).
7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations (P.7).
8. Adoption of the agenda (P.8).
9. General debate (P.9).
10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (P.10).
11. Report of the Security Council (P.11).
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council (P.12).<sup>4/</sup>
13. Report of the Trusteeship Council (P.13).
14. Report of the International Court of Justice (P.14).
15. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (P.15).
16. Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council (P.16).
17. Election of nine members of the Economic and Social Council (P.17).
18. Election of fifteen members of the Industrial Development Board (P.18).
19. Election of fourteen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (P.19).
20. Fourth International Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy: report of the Secretary-General (P.20).

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<sup>4/</sup> See paragraph 11 above.

21. Installation of mechanical means of voting: report of the Secretary-General (P.21).
22. The situation in the Middle East (P.22).
23. 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 (P.23).
24. Special programme of activities in connexion with the tenth anniversary 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 (P.24).
25. Celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations (P.25).
26. Question of the reservation exclusively for peaceful purposes of the sea-bed and the ocean floor, and the subsoil thereof, underlying the high seas beyond the limits of present national jurisdiction, and the use of their resources in the interests of mankind (P.26):
  - (a) Report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor beyond the Limits of National Jurisdiction;
  - (b) Marine pollution and other hazardous and harmful effects which might arise from the exploration and exploitation of the sea-bed and the ocean floor, and the subsoil thereof, beyond the limits of national jurisdiction: report of the Secretary-General;
  - (c) Views of Member States on the desirability of convening at an early date a conference on the law of the sea: report of the Secretary-General.
27. International co-operation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (P.27).
28. Question of general and complete disarmament: report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (P.28).
29. Question of chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons: report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (P.29).
30. Urgent need for suspension of nuclear and thermonuclear tests: report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (P.30).
31. Implementation of the results of the Conference of Non-Nuclear-Weapon States: report of the Secretary-General (P.31). 5/



32. Establishment, within the framework of the International Atomic Energy Agency, of an international service for nuclear explosions for peaceful purposes under appropriate international control: report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (P.32).
33. Consideration of measures for the strengthening of international security: report of the Secretary-General (P.33).
34. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (P.34).
35. The policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa: report of the Special Committee on the Policies of Apartheid of the Government of the Republic of South Africa (P.35).
36. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Commissioner-General (P.36).
37. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations (P.37).
38. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development: report of the Trade and Development Board (P.38).
39. United Nations Industrial Development Organization (P.39):
  - (a) Report of the Industrial Development Board;
  - (b) Confirmation of the appointment of the Executive Director.
40. United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Executive Director (P.40).
41. Operational activities for development (P.41):
  - (a) Activities of the United Nations Development Programme: reports of the Governing Council;
  - (b) Activities undertaken by the Secretary-General.
42. United Nations Capital Development Fund (P.42).
43. Second United Nations Development Decade (P.43).
44. United Nations Conference on the Human Environment: report of the Secretary-General (P.44).
45. Question of the establishment of an international university: report of the Secretary-General (P.45).

46. Permanent sovereignty over natural resources: report of the Secretary-General (P.46).
47. Creation of the post of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Secretary-General (P.47).
48. Respect for human rights in armed conflicts: report of the Secretary-General (P.48).
49. Housing, building and planning: report of the Secretary-General (P.49).
50. Measures to be taken against nazism and racial intolerance: report of the Secretary-General (P.50).
51. Question of the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity: report of the Secretary-General (P.51).
52. Freedom of information (P.52):
  - (a) Draft Declaration on Freedom of Information;
  - (b) Draft Convention on Freedom of Information.
53. Question of the elderly and the aged (P.53).
54. Town twinning as a means of international co-operation: report of the Economic and Social Council (P.54).
55. Elimination of all forms of racial discrimination (P.55):
  - (a) International Year for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination: report of the Secretary-General;
  - (b) Measures for effectively combating racial discrimination and the policies of apartheid and segregation in southern Africa: report of the Secretary-General;
  - (c) Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, submitted under article 9 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
  - (d) Status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination: report of the Secretary-General.
56. Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance (P.56):
  - (a) Draft Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Religious Intolerance;
  - (b) Draft International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Intolerance and of Discrimination Based on Religion or Belief.

57. Youth, its education in the respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, its problems and needs, and its participation in national development: report of the Secretary-General (P.57).
58. Human rights and scientific and technological developments: report of the Secretary-General (P.58).
59. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (P.59).
60. Technical assistance in the field of narcotics: report of the Secretary-General (P.60).
61. 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 (P.61).
62. The 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 (P.62).
63. Information from Non-Self Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations (P.63):
  - (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.
64. Question of Namibia (P.64):
  - (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) Appointment of the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia.
65. Question of Territories under Portuguese administration (P.65):
  - (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 Secretary-General.

66. 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 (P.66).
67. Question of Fiji: 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 (P.67).
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69. 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, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination 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 (P.69).
70. 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 (P.70);
  - (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 Secretary-General.
71. United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa: report of the Secretary-General (P.71).
72. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Secretary-General (P.72).
73. Financial reports and accounts for the year ended 31 December 1969 and reports of the Board of Auditors (P.73):
  - (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.
74. Supplementary estimates for the financial year 1970 (P.74).
75. Budget estimates for the financial year 1971 (P.75).
76. Planning estimate for the financial year 1972 (P.76).
77. Pattern of conferences (P.77):<sup>6/</sup>
- (a) Report of the Secretary-General;
  - (b) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit.
78. Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly (P.78):
- (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) United Nations Staff Pension Committee.
79. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions (P.79).
80. Audit reports relating to expenditure by the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency (P.80):
- (a) Allocations from the Technical Assistance Account of the United Nations Development Programme;
  - (b) Allocations from the Special Fund Account of the United Nations Development Programme.

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<sup>6/</sup> See paragraph 13 above.

81. Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency: reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (P.81).
82. Implementation of the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee of Experts to Examine the Finances of the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies (P.82):
  - (a) Report of the Secretary-General;
  - (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.
83. Publications and documentation of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General (P.83).
84. Personnel questions (P.84):
  - (a) Composition of the Secretariat: report of the Secretary-General;
  - (b) Other personnel questions.
85. Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (P.85).
86. United Nations International School: report of the Secretary-General (P.86).
87. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its twenty-second session (P.87).
88. Consideration of principles of international law concerning friendly relations and co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Committee on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States (P.88).
89. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its third session (P.89).
90. Report of the Special Committee on the Question of Defining Aggression (P.90).
91. Need to consider suggestions regarding the review of the Charter of the United Nations (P.91).
92. Declaration on Universal Participation in the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (P.92).

93. Question of issuing special invitations to States which are not Members of the United Nations or members of any of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency or parties to the Statute of the International Court of Justice to become parties to the Convention on Special Missions (P.93).
94. Amendment to Article 22 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice (Seat of the Court) and consequential amendments to Articles 23 and 28 (P.94).
95. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law: report of the Secretary-General (P.95).
96. Progressive development and codification of the rules of international law relating to international watercourses (P.96).
97. Rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly (P.97).
98. Status of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 2456 B (XXIII) concerning the signature and ratification of Additional Protocol II of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (P.98).
99. Economic and social consequences of the armaments race and its extremely harmful effects on world peace and security (P.99).
100. The role of modern science and technology in the development of nations and the need to strengthen economic and technico-scientific co-operation among States (P.100).
101. Establishment of a United Nations Fund for Namibia (S.1). <sup>7/</sup>
102. Second United Nations Development Decade: social policy and planning in national development (S.2). <sup>8/</sup>
103. Review of the role of the International Court of Justice (S.3).
104. Restoration of the lawful rights of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations (S.4).

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<sup>7/</sup> See paragraph 14 above.

<sup>8/</sup> See paragraph 15 above.

105. Withdrawal of United States and all other foreign forces occupying South Korea under the flag of the United Nations (S.5).
106. Dissolution of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea (S.6).
107. Question of Korea: report of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea (S.7).
108. Question of the breadth of the territorial sea and related matters (S.8).



## IV. ALLOCATION OF ITEMS

17. The allocation of items proposed in paragraph 20 below follows the pattern adopted by the General Assembly in previous years. The following items of the draft agenda have not been considered previously by the General Assembly:

- 96. Progressive development and codification of the rules of international law relating to international watercourses (P.96).
- 97. Rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly (P.97).
- 98. Status of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 2456 B (XXIII) concerning the signature and ratification of Additional Protocol II of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (P.98).
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- 103. Review of the role of the International Court of Justice (S.3).
- 108. Question of the breadth of the territorial sea and related matters (S.8).

In view, however, of their subject matter, the Secretary-General would suggest to the General Committee that they should be allocated as follows:

Item 96 . . . . .	Sixth Committee
Item 97 . . . . .	Plenary meetings
Item 98 . . . . .	First Committee
Item 100 . . . . .	Second Committee
Item 101 . . . . .	Fourth Committee
Item 102 . . . . .	Second Committee
Item 103 . . . . .	Sixth Committee

No recommendation has been made regarding the allocation of items 99 and 108 since their subject matter may be considered as falling within the competence of more than one committee.

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18. In connexion with item 12 of the draft agenda (Report of the Economic and Social Council), the Secretary-General proposes that, as in previous years, the various parts of the report<sup>9/</sup> should be assigned to the Main Committees in accordance with their respective fields of competence or to plenary meetings. Bearing that consideration in mind, the Secretary-General wishes to recommend the following allocation:

Chapters I to VI . . . . .	Second Committee
Chapter VII	
Section A, except paragraphs 234 to 239 . . . . .	Third Committee
Section A, paragraphs 234 to 239 . . . . .	Second Committee
Section B . . . . .	Third Committee
Chapter VIII . . . . .	Second Committee
Chapter IX . . . . .	Third Committee
Chapter X	
Sections A to C . . . . .	Second Committee
Section D . . . . .	Third Committee
Chapter XI	
Section A . . . . .	Third Committee
Sections B to D . . . . .	Second Committee
Section E . . . . .	Plenary meetings
Sections F to J . . . . .	Second Committee
Section K . . . . .	Third Committee
Section L . . . . .	Second Committee
Section M . . . . .	Third Committee
Chapter XII . . . . .	Fifth Committee

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## Chapter XIII

## Sections A and B

- (a) Substantive aspects . . . . . Second and Third Committees
- (b) Administrative and budgetary aspects . . . . . Fifth Committee
- Section C . . . . . Second Committee
- Section D . . . . . Fourth Committee
- Section E
  - (a) Substantive aspects . . . . . Second Committee
  - (b) Administrative and budgetary aspects . . . . . Fifth Committee

Chapters XIV and XV . . . . . Plenary meetings

In addition, the General Committee may wish to bear in mind that:

- (a) Chapter III, section A, paragraphs 42 to 44 (Natural resources satellites), might be of interest to the First Committee;
- (b) Chapter V, section B, paragraphs 125 and 181 (Headquarters of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East), might also be of concern to the Fifth Committee, and chapter V, section C (Travel and subsistence expenses of members of the Executive Committee of the Economic Commission for Africa), might be of interest to that Committee;
- (c) Chapter VII, section A, paragraphs 234 to 239 (Social policy and planning in national development in the Second United Nations Development Decade), might be of interest to the Third Committee;
- (d) Chapter VII, section A, paragraph 240 and 241 (Social factors in improving nutrition), and chapter VII, section B, paragraphs 251 to 257 (Housing, building and planning in the Second United Nations Development Decade), might be of interest to the Second Committee;
- (e) Chapter VIII (World population situation) might be of interest to the Third Committee;
- (f) Chapter IX, section J (Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights), might be of interest to the Fourth Committee;
- (g) Chapter XIV, section B (Measures to improve the organization of the work of the Council), section D (Calendar of conferences and meetings for 1971 and 1972) and section G (Financial implications of actions of the Council), might also be of concern to the Fifth Committee.

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19. With regard to item 23 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples), the General Committee may wish to consider referring to the Fourth Committee, as was done at previous sessions, all the chapters of the report of the Special Committee relating to specific territories. This would again enable the General Assembly to deal in plenary meetings with the question of the implementation of the Declaration in general.

20. Subject to the recommendations of the General Committee regarding the adoption of the draft agenda and the considerations set forth in paragraphs 17 to 19 above, the Secretary-General suggests to the Committee the following allocation of agenda items:10/

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10/ For the abbreviations used in the allocation of items, see foot-note 3.

Plenary meetings

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Liberia (P.1).
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  - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
4. Election of the President (P.4).
5. Constitution of the Main Committees and election of officers (P.5).
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9. General debate (P.9).
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13/ Chapter XIII (sections A and B) would be referred also to the Third and Fifth Committees; chapter XIII (section E) would be referred also to the Fifth Committee.

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14/ Chapter XIII (sections A and B) would be referred also to the Second and Fifth Committees.

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15/ For sub-item (c), see above "Plenary meetings" item 25.

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