Branch Offices

It is proposed to establish at least two offices away from headquarters to serve as centres for distribution of information about United Nations activities, and to assist in arranging for and conducting conferences in those areas. The offices may also be used in the recruitment of personnel for the Secretariat. One of the offices will be at Geneva and another will be located, at a place to be later decided, in the Pacific Area.

XI. SIXTH COMMITTEE: LEGAL QUESTIONS

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The Committee was confronted initially with an agenda of eighteen items. Ten, of varying degrees of importance and interest, were for consideration in all their aspects by Committee VI alone. Subsequently, the General Assembly added to this category a draft resolution proposing a study by the Economic and Social Council of the Crime of Genocide.

Of the remaining items, two, relating respectively to the administration of the International Court of Justice and the use of the Peace Palace at the Hague, were referred to a Joint Fifth and Sixth Committee. One, relating to the treatment of Indians in South Africa, was referred to a Joint First and Sixth Committee and is dealt with under the heading of Committee I; the remaining five were primarily for consideration by other Committees, Committee VI being asked to examine their legal aspects only. It has been found convenient to deal with these last five items under the headings of the Committees particularly concerned, viz.:—

Joint Second and Third Committee

Consideration and approval of agreements concluded with specialized agencies.

Report of the Economic and Social Council, and report of the Secretary-General on the transfer of certain functions and activities of the League of Nations.