

and, if it deems that such a session is required, so to advise the Secretary-General in order that he may obtain the views of the members of the United Nations thereon ;

“(e) To conduct investigations and appoint commissions of inquiry within the scope of its duties, as it may deem useful and necessary, provided that decisions to conduct such investigations or inquiries shall be made by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting. An investigation or inquiry elsewhere than at the headquarters of the United Nations shall not be conducted without the consent of the State or States in whose territory it is to take place ;

“(f) To report to the next regular session of the General Assembly on any changes in its constitution, its duration or its terms of reference which may be considered desirable in the light of experience ;

“3. The Interim Committee is hereby authorized to request advisory opinions of the International Court of Justice on legal questions arising within the scope of its activities ;

“4. In discharging its duties, the Interim Committee shall at all times take into account the responsibilities of the Security Council under the Charter for the maintenance of international peace and security as well as the duties assigned by the Charter or by the General Assembly or by the Security Council to other Councils or to any committee or commission. The Interim Committee shall not consider any matter of which the Security Council is seized and which the latter has not submitted to the General Assembly ;

“5. The rules of procedure governing the proceedings of the Interim Committee and such sub-committees and commissions as it may set up shall be those adopted by the Interim Committee on 9 January, 1948, with such changes and additions as the Interim Committee may deem necessary, provided that they are not inconsistent with any provision of this resolution or with any applicable rule of procedure of the General Assembly. The Interim Committee shall be convened by the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Chairman elected during the previous session or the head of his delegation, to meet at the headquarters of the United Nations not later than 31 January, 1949. At the opening meeting, the Chairman elected during the previous session of the Interim Committee, or the head of his delegation, shall preside until the Interim Committee has elected a Chairman. The Interim Committee shall meet as and when it deems necessary for the conduct of its business. No new credentials shall be required for representatives who were duly accredited on the Interim Committee during its previous session ;

“6. The Secretary-General shall provide the necessary facilities and assign appropriate staff as required for the work of the Interim Committee, its sub-committees and commissions.”

This resolution was subsequently adopted by the Assembly by 40 votes (N.Z.) to 6, with 1 abstention.