

2. *Invites* Member States to submit their comments on the draft articles concerning diplomatic intercourse and immunities not later than 1 June 1959;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to circulate such comments so as to facilitate the discussion of the subject at the fourteenth session of the General Assembly;

4. *Decides* to include the item entitled "Diplomatic intercourse and immunities" in the provisional agenda of its fourteenth session with a view to the early conclusion of a convention on diplomatic intercourse and immunities;

5. *Decides* to consider at its fourteenth session the question to what body the formulation of the convention should be entrusted.

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5 December 1958.*

**1289 (XIII). Relations between States and inter-governmental organizations**

*The General Assembly,*

*Taking note* of paragraph 51 of the report of the International Law Commission covering the work of its tenth session,<sup>1</sup> which refers to *ad hoc* diplomacy and, in particular, to diplomatic conferences, and of paragraph 52 of the same report, which refers to relations between States and international organizations,

*Considering* the importance and development of international organizations,

*Considering* the observations made by Governments at the twelfth and thirteenth sessions of the General Assembly, particularly on the question referred to in paragraph 52 of the report,

*Invites* the International Law Commission to give further consideration to the question of relations between States and inter-governmental international organizations at the appropriate time, after study of diplomatic intercourse and immunities, consular intercourse and immunities and *ad hoc* diplomacy has been completed by the United Nations and in the light of the results of that study and of the discussion in the General Assembly.

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5 December 1958.*

**1290 (XIII). Report of the International Law Commission covering the work of its tenth session (chapter V)**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the questions dealt with in chapter V of the report of the International Law Commission covering the work of its tenth session,<sup>1</sup>

*Takes note* of chapter V of the said report.

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5 December 1958.*

**1291 (XIII). Question of the publication of a United Nations juridical yearbook**

*The General Assembly,*

*Considering* that it is a function of the General Assembly to take appropriate measures to encourage the development of international law,

*Considering* that the publication of a United Nations juridical yearbook may constitute a useful measure for that purpose,

*Recalling* its resolution 176 (II) of 21 November 1947,

*Having considered* the discussion in the Sixth Committee on the question of the publication of a juridical yearbook,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the question of the publication of a United Nations juridical yearbook, covering in addition the technical and financial implications of such a publication, taking into account the suggestions made during the discussion in the Sixth Committee, and to circulate the report to Member States before the fourteenth session of the General Assembly;

2. *Decides* to place this question on the provisional agenda of its fourteenth session.

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5 December 1958.*

**1306 (XIII). Question of initiating a study of the juridical régime of historic waters, including historic bays**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having received* the resolution adopted on 27 April 1958 by the United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea<sup>3</sup> requesting the General Assembly to arrange for the study of the juridical régime of historic waters, including historic bays, and for the communication of the results of such study to all States Members of the United Nations,

*Decides* to place the question of initiating a study of the juridical régime of historic waters, including historic bays, on the provisional agenda of its fourteenth session.

*783rd plenary meeting,  
10 December 1958.*

**1307 (XIII). Convening of a second United Nations conference on the law of the sea**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having received* the resolution adopted on 27 April 1958 by the United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea,<sup>4</sup> requesting the General Assembly to study at its thirteenth session the advisability of convening a second international conference of plenipotentiaries for further consideration of questions left unsettled by the Conference,

*Recalling* that the Conference made an historic contribution to the codification and progressive development of international law by preparing and opening for signature conventions on nearly all of the subjects covered by the draft articles on the law of the sea drawn up by the International Law Commission,<sup>5</sup>

*Noting* that no proposal concerning the breadth of the territorial sea or fishery limits received the two-thirds majority required for adoption by the Conference,

*Believing* that the desire for agreement on these two vital issues continues, and that agreement thereon would contribute substantially to the lessening of international

<sup>3</sup> United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea, *Official Records, Volume II: Plenary Meetings* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: 58.V.4, Vol. II), annexes, document A/CONF.13/L.56, resolution VII.

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid.*, resolution VIII.

<sup>5</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 9 (A/3159), para. 33.*

tensions and to the preservation of world order and peace,

*Convinced* that to reach such agreement it is necessary to undertake considerable preparatory work so as to ensure reasonable probabilities of success,

1. *Decides* that a second international conference of plenipotentiaries on the law of the sea should be called for the purpose of considering further the questions of the breadth of the territorial sea and fishery limits;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convoke the conference at the earliest convenient date in March or April 1960 at the European Office of the United Nations in Geneva;

3. *Invites* all States Members of the United Nations and States members of the specialized agencies to participate in the conference and to include among their

representatives experts competent in the matters to be considered;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite the specialized agencies and inter-governmental bodies concerned with the matters to be considered to send observers to the conference;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to arrange for the necessary staff and facilities which would be required for the conference, and to present to the conference recommendations concerning its methods of work and procedures, and other questions of an administrative nature;

6. *Refers* to the conference for its information the relevant records of the United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea held in 1958.

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10 December 1958.*