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and
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Agreement regarding the arrangements for the fifth session of the Economic Commission for Africa and the accompanying meetings. Signed at Leopoldville, on 26 December 1962, and at New York, on 11 January 1963

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
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Accord relatif à l'organisation de la cinquième session de la Commission économique pour l'Afrique et des réunions qui l'accompagneront. Signé à Léopoldville, le 26 décembre 1962, et à New York, le 11 janvier 1963

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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

No. 6472. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (LEOPOLDVILLE) REGARDING THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA AND THE ACCOMPANYING MEETINGS. SIGNED AT LEOPOLDVILLE, ON 26 DECEMBER 1962, AND AT NEW YORK, ON 11 JANUARY 1963

Whereas, on the invitation of the Republic of the Congo (Léopoldville) (hereinafter referred to as " the Government "), the fifth session of the Economic Commission for Africa (hereinafter referred to as " the Session ") is to be held at Leopoldville from 18 February to 3 March 1963 (if necessary, to be prolonged by decision of the Session), a meeting of the Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Community Development is to be held at Leopoldville from 4 to 9 February 1963, and the pre-session meeting on the work programme and priorities is to be held at Leopoldville from 13 to 15 February 1963, therefore the United Nations and the Government hereby agree as follows :

I. PREMISES, EQUIPMENT, UTILITIES AND STATIONERY SUPPLIES

(1) The Government shall make available at its expense such conference rooms and offices in the Palais de la Nation as are necessary for the Session and the two meetings aforementioned. These facilities shall include (a) for the Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Community Development, a conference room with seating and table accommodation for thirty participants, together with four adjoining offices, (b) for the pre-session meeting on the work programme and priorities, a conference room with seating and table accommodation for 115 participants, together with such other offices and facilities as are necessary for the Session, and (c) for the Session, a large conference room for plenary meetings and the meetings of one of the two Committees of the Whole, another large room for the second Committee of the Whole with seating and table accommodation for 100 participants, a smaller conference room for the Drafting Committee, a delegates' lounge, and twenty-five offices for the United Nations Secretariat, including working areas for documents reproduction and documents distribution.

(2) The Government shall at its expense furnish, equip and maintain in good repair all the aforementioned rooms and offices in a manner adequate to the effective conduct of the Session. The large conference room for plenary

¹ Came into force on 11 January 1963 by signature.

meetings and the large committee room shall be equipped by the United Nations for simultaneous interpretation in two languages, but the Government shall at its expense provide four interpreter's booths : two for the plenary room and two for the large committee room. The Government shall also provide suitable facilities for the reception, information and registration services, a counter for the distribution of documents, and suitable facilities for the press, radio and film operations.

(3) The Government shall provide—if possible within the Session area—bank, post office, telephone and cable facilities, a first-aid station employing the services of a nurse, and a travel service.

(4) The Government shall pay for all necessary public utility services, including telephone communications of the secretariat of the Session within Leopoldville.

(5) Any damage to the premises in the Session area, injury to persons using such premises or damage to furniture or equipment provided by the Government shall be made good at the expense of the Government, without prejudice to the Government's right of recourse as long as such right is not contrary to this Agreement.

(6) The Government shall provide at its expense all stationery supplies required for the adequate functioning of the Session.

II. HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

The Government shall make all necessary arrangements to provide hotel accommodation for forty-five participants of ministerial rank and, in addition, to make available approximately 150 single bedrooms and 100 double bedrooms (the costs to be computed at reasonable commercial rates and borne by the participants occupying the rooms). The rooms shall be made available not later than 11 February. The Government shall also make all necessary arrangements to provide suitable hotel accommodation for fifty delegates and officers of the Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Community Development.

III. TRANSPORTATION

The Government shall provide at its expense five chauffeur-driven automobiles and five small motor-buses, together with drivers, for use by the senior and lower-level staff of the Session. The Government shall also make available at its expense such additional transportation as may be necessary to transport participants in the Session from the airport servicing Leopoldville to their hotels, from their hotels to the Session area, from the Session area to official receptions, and from their hotels to the airport. Any damage to persons or property caused

or suffered in using transportation referred to in this section shall be made good at the expense of the Government, without prejudice to the Government's right of recourse as long as such right is not contrary to this Agreement.

IV. POLICE PROTECTION

The Government shall furnish at its expense such police protection and, if necessary, military protection as may be required to ensure the efficient functioning of the Session without interference of any kind. Such services shall be under the direct supervision and control of a senior officer provided by the Government, who shall work in close co-operation with the responsible United Nations official so as to ensure a proper atmosphere of security and tranquillity.

V. LOCAL PERSONNEL FOR THE SESSION

(1) The Government shall at its expense engage and remunerate a stenographer and a messenger to assist, from the beginning of January 1963, the ECA official in charge of administration; four French-language typists; six documents distribution workers (auxiliary office staff); a supervisor of mimeographing and documents make-up; six conference room employees, six huis-siers, six messengers and four receptionists; and such telephone operators, cleaning personnel and maintenance personnel (including electricians) as may be required. This personnel shall be available in two groups, from 6 and 11 February 1963, in accordance with the requirements of the ECA official in charge of administration.

(2) The Government shall also engage and remunerate at its expense the drivers of the automobiles and motor-buses referred to in section III above.

(3) The Government agrees to indemnify and save harmless the United Nations from any and all actions, causes of actions, claims or other demands arising out of the employment for the United Nations of the personnel referred to in this section.

VI. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

(1) The Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations¹ shall be applicable with respect to the Session. Accordingly, United Nations officials performing functions in connexion with the Session shall enjoy the privileges and immunities provided for in articles V and VII of the said Convention.

(2) Officials of the specialized agencies performing functions in connexion with the Session shall enjoy the privileges and immunities provided for in the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies.¹

¹ See footnote 1, p. 251 of this volume.

² See footnote 2, p. 251 of this volume.

(3) Without prejudice to the provisions of the preceding paragraphs, all participants and other persons performing functions in connexion with the Session shall enjoy such privileges and immunities, facilities and favourable treatment as are essential to the free exercise of those functions.

(4) All participants and other persons performing functions in connexion with the Session who are not nationals of the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville) shall be permitted to enter and leave the Republic. They shall receive facilities enabling them to expedite their travel. Any visas required for such persons shall be granted without charge.

(5) The area designated under section I shall be deemed to constitute United Nations premises, and access to the Session area and to office space therein shall be under the control and authority of the United Nations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the respective representatives of the United Nations and of the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville) have signed this Agreement on 26 December 1962.¹

For the United Nations :

(*Signed*) Philippe DE SEYNES
Under-Secretary for Economic
and Social Affairs

For the Republic of the Congo
(Leopoldville) :

(*Signed*) J. BOMBOKO

¹ On behalf of the United Nations, the Agreement was signed at New York on 11 January 1963.