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The United Nations and the Government of Italy (hereinafter called "the Government"), desiring to give effect to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 926 (X)² concerning the programme of advisory services in human rights, have agreed as follows:

Article I

SEMINAR ON FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

- 1. A United Nations seminar on freedom of information will be held in Rome, Italy.
- 2. The duration of the seminar shall be from 7 to 20 April 1964 inclusive.
- 3. The purpose of the seminar shall be to provide an opportunity for exchange of experience in the field of freedom of information.

Article II

PARTICIPATION IN THE SEMINAR

Participation in the seminar shall be open to:

- (a) National participants and alternates nominated by the Governments of countries in Europe which are members of the United Nations or of a specialized agency. A Chairman shall be elected by the national participants from among themselves to preside at the seminar. Vice-chairmen and rapporteurs shall also be elected as appropriate in the same manner;
 - (b) Observers from other States Members of the United Nations;
- (c) Representatives from any specialized agencies of the United Nations which may be invited by the United Nations to send representatives;

¹ Came into force on 18 March 1964, upon signature, in accordance with article VII (1).

² United Nations, Official Records of the General Assembly, Tenth Session, Supplement No. 19, (A/3116), p. 13.

- (d) Observers from non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council which may be invited by the United Nations to send observers;
 - (e) Members of the United Nations Secretariat.

Article III

SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE UNITED NATIONS

- 1. The United Nations shall provide the following services in connexion with the seminar:
- (a) The services of the members of the United Nations Secretariat mentioned in Article II (e) above;
- (b) The preparation of background working papers which will be used as the basis for discussions at the seminar;
- (c) The translation of the background working papers into English, French, Spanish and Russian, as required;
- (d) The preparation of the draft report of the seminar and the reproduction and distribution of the final report following its approval by the seminar.
- 2. The United Nations shall also defray the following costs in connexion with the seminar:
- (a) The travel expenses and subsistence allowances of not more than one participant from each of the participating countries (see Article II (a) above), with the exception of the host country;
- (b) The services of simultaneous interpreters for interpretation into and from English, French, Spanish and Russian, as required.

Article IV

CO-OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THE SEMINAR

- 1. The Government shall act as host to the seminar.
- 2. The Government shall nominate officials as liaison officer and assistant liaison officers between the United Nations and the Government who shall be responsible for making the necessary arrangements concerning the contributions of the Government described in paragraph 3 below.
- 3. The Government shall provide and defray the costs of:
- (a) Adequately furnished and equipped conference premises and the maintenance of the said premises during the seminar;
- (b) Office accommodation for the officers and staff of the seminar, the liaison officer and the local personnel mentioned below;

- (c) Simultaneous interpretation equipment and the services of a technician to operate and maintain the equipment;
- (d) The services of translators to make provisional translations of the draft final report into French, Spanish and Russian;
- (e) An information officer to assist in liaison with local press, radio and film media;
- (f) The local administrative personnel required for the proper conduct of the seminar, including reproduction and distribution of working papers and other seminar documents, the personnel to include a documents officer, information-reception clerks, three English speaking secretary-stenographers (one able to work in French), three copy-typists (at least one able to work in Russian, one in Spanish and one in French), mimeograph operators, collators, messengers and security personnel, as appropriate;
 - (g) Amplification equipment for one conference room;
- (h) Postal, telegraph and telephone facilities for official work in connexion with the seminar; office supplies and equipment needed for the reproduction of technical papers and other documents required for the proper conduct of the seminar, including English, French, Spanish and Russian keyboard typewriters:
 - (i) Two cars placed at the disposal of the United Nations Secretariat.

Article V

If the expenses mentioned in Article IV, para. 3, are assumed by the United Nations, they will be reimbursed to the United Nations by the Government up to the amount of \$8,000 in consideration of the fact that the seminar is held in Rome at the place made available by the Food and Agriculture Organization rather than at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The reimbursement to the United Nations will take place as soon as possible after the close of the seminar and in any case within four months after the close.

Article VI

FACILITIES, PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

The Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, 1 to which Italy is a party, 2 shall be applicable in respect of the seminar. According-

¹ See footnote 1, p. 12 of this volume. ² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 286, p. 329.

ly, officials of the United Nations performing functions in connexion with the seminar shall enjoy the privileges and immunities provided under Articles V and VII of the said Convention.

- 2. Officials of the specialized agencies attending the seminar in pursuance of paragraph 1 (c) of Article II of this Agreement shall be accorded the privileges and immunities provided under Articles VI and VIII of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the specialized agencies.¹
- 3. Without prejudice to the provisions of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, all participants and all persons performing functions in connexion with the seminar shall enjoy such privileges and immunities, facilities and courtesies as are necessary for the independent exercise of their functions in connexion with the seminar.
- 4. All participants and all persons performing functions in connexion with the seminar, who are not nationals of Italy, shall have the right of entry into and exit from Italy. They shall be granted facilities for speedy travel. Visas, where required, shall be granted free of charge.

Article VII

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. This Agreement shall come into force upon signature, or, if it is not signed on the same day on behalf of both parties, on the day on which the second signature is affixed.
- 2. This Agreement may be modified by written agreement between the United Nations and the Government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorized representatives of the United Nations and the Government, respectively, have signed this Agreement this 18th of March, 1964, in two copies.

For the United Nations:

For the Government of Italy:

John P. HUMPHREY

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¹ See footnote 1, p. 386 of this volume.