

Chapter III

PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

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INTRODUCTORY NOTE

Article 31 and rule 37 of the Charter and rules 27 and 29 of the provisional rules of procedure provide for invitations to non-members: (1) where a Member of the United Nations has been set forth in the *Annuaire*, 1946-1951; (2) where the United Nations is a party to a dispute (Article 32); (3) where the dispute is of a nature which is a subject of controversy affecting the interests of the United Nations; and (4) where members of the Secretariat or other persons are invited to supply information.

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¹ See tabulations C.1 (a), C.2 (a).

² Case 1.

³ Case 2.

rule 39, the Council in extending the invitation made extensive discussion a request from an entity whose discussion arose over the designation under which an

invitation was denied,⁶ the Council took no cognizance of a communication from a régime it had previously declared illegal, while in the second,⁶ it rejected after

⁶ Case 3.

⁶ Case 4.

⁶ Case 5.

****A. IN THE CASE OF PERSONS INVITED
IN AN INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY**

****B. IN THE CASE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF UNITED
NATIONS ORGANS OR SUBSIDIARY ORGANS**

C. IN THE CASE OF MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS

1. Invitation when the Member brought to the attention of the Security Council

(a) A MATTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 35, PARAGRAPH 1, OF THE CHARTER

Question ^a	State invited	Request for invitation	Decision of the Council: Invitations extended and renewed ^b
1. Multiple by the Government of Cyprus	Cyprus	S/6489, O.R. 18th yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1966, pp. 38-39	1274th meeting (1275th meeting)
		S/7359	1286th meeting
		S/7636	1338th meeting
		S/7999	1362nd meeting
		S/8263	1383rd meeting
		S/8305	1385th meeting (1386th meeting)
		S/8471	1398th meeting
		S/8644	1432nd meeting
		S/8926	1459th meeting
2. The Palestine Question	Syria	S/7419, O.R. 20th yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1966, pp. 38-39	1288th meeting (1289th-1295th meetings)
	Israel	S/7422	1288th meeting (1289th-1295th meetings)
		S/7540, O.R. 20th yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1966, pp. 28-29	1305th meeting (1307th-1310th, 1312th-1314th, 1316th, 1317th, 1319th meetings)
		S/7546	
3. Complaint by the Democratic Republic of the Congo	Democratic Republic of the Congo	S/7503, O.R. 21st yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1966, pp. 38-39	1302nd meeting (1303rd, 1304th, 1306th meetings)
		S/8216, O.R. 22nd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1967, pp. 201-203	1372nd meeting (1374th, 1376th, 1378th meetings)
4. Situation in the Middle East (I)	United Arab Republic	S/7907, O.R. 22nd yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1967, pp. 69-70	1343rd meeting (1344th-1361st, 1365th meeting)
	Israel	S/8044, O.R. 22nd yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1967, pp. 70-71	1365th meeting (1366th meeting)
(II)	United Arab Republic	S/8207, O.R. 22nd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1967, pp. 191-192	1369th meeting (1370th, 1371st meetings)
	Israel	S/8209, O.R. 22nd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1967, pp. 192-193	1369th meeting (1370th, 1371st meetings)
	United Arab Republic	S/8226, O.R. 22nd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1967, pp. 193-194	1372nd meeting (1375th, 1377th, 1379th meetings)

Question *	State invited	Request for invitation	Decision of the Council: invitations extended and renewed *
	Jordan	S/8484, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Jan.-March. 1968, pp. 278-279	1401st meeting (1402nd-1407th meetings)
	Israel	S/8486, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Jan.-March 1968, pp. 280-281	1401st meeting (1402nd-1407th meetings)
	Jordan	S/8516, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Jan.-March 1968, p. 307	1409th meeting (1410th-1412th meetings)
	Israel	S/8517, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Jan.-March 1968, p. 307	1409th meeting (1410th-1412th meetings)
		Apr.-June 1968, pp. 139-140	
	Jordan	S/8616, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Apr.-June 1968, pp. 186-187	1434th meeting (1435th-1440th meetings)
	Israel	S/8617, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Apr.-June 1968, p. 187	1434th meeting (1435th-1440th meetings)
	Jordan	S/8721, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1968, p. 113	1434th meeting (1435th-1440th meetings)
	Israel	S/8724, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1968, pp. 115-116	1434th meeting (1435th-1440th meetings)
		S/8794, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1968, pp. 115-116	1446th meeting (1447th-1449th meetings)
		S/8797	
	Israel	S/8805, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1968, pp. 240-241	1448th meeting (1449th, 1451st, 1452nd meetings)
	United Arab Republic	S/8806, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for July-Sept. 1968, pp. 241-242	1448th meeting (1449th, 1451st, 1452nd meetings)
	United Arab Republic	S/8878, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1968, p. 104	1456th meeting (1457th meeting)
	Israel	S/8879, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1968, pp. 104-105	1456th meeting (1457th meeting)
	Lebanon	S/8945, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1968, pp. 104-105	1460th meeting (1461st, 1462nd meetings)
	Israel	S/8946, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1968, pp. 104-105	1460th meeting (1461st, 1462nd meetings)
5. The Question of South West Africa	Nigeria	S/8355 O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Jan.-March. 1968, pp. 71-72	1387th meeting
		S/8356	
	Chile	S/8397, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Jan.-March 1968, pp. 177-178	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
		S/8403	
	Guyana	S/8397	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
	Indonesia	S/8407	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
	Nigeria	S/8413	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
	Turkey	S/8402	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
	United Arab Republic	S/8415	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
	Yugoslavia	S/8408	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
	Zambia	S/8418	1391st meeting (1392nd-1397th meetings)
	Colombia	S/8422	1392nd meeting (1394th-1397th meetings)
6. Complaint by Haiti	Haiti	S/8593, O.R., 23rd yr., Suppl. for Apr.-June 1968, pp. 168-169	1427th meeting

2. Invitations when the interests of a Member were considered specially affected

(a) TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT VOTE IN THE DISCUSSIONS

Question ^a	State invited	Request for Invitation	Decision of the Council: Invitations extended and renewed ^b
1. Complaint by the Government	Turkey	S/7202	1274th meeting (1275th meeting)
	Greece	S/7355	1286th meeting
	Turkey	S/7634	1338th meeting
	Greece	S/8264	1383rd meeting
	Turkey	S/8265	1383rd meeting
	Greece	S/8298	1385th meeting (1386th meeting)
	Turkey	S/8299	1385th meeting (1386th meeting)
	Greece	S/8472	1398th meeting
	Turkey	S/8467	1398th meeting
	Turkey	S/8640	1432nd meeting
	Greece	S/8641	1432nd meeting
	Turkey	S/8922	1459th meeting
	Greece	S/8925	1459th meeting
2. Situation in Southern Rhodesia	Sierra Leone	S/7239	1276th meeting (1277th meeting)
	Algeria	S/7242	1276th meeting (1277th meeting)
	Kenya	S/7245	1277th meeting
	Greece	S/7246	1277th meeting
	India	S/7292	1278th meeting (1279th-1285th meetings)
	Pakistan	S/7295	1278th meeting (1279th-1285th meetings)
	Senegal	S/7297	1278th meeting (1279th-1285th meetings)
	Zambia	S/7613	1331st meeting (1332nd-1333rd, 1335th-1340th meetings)
	Senegal	S/7615	1331st meeting (1332nd-1333rd, 1335th-1340th meetings)
	Algeria	S/7623	1331st meeting (1332nd-1333rd, 1335th-1340th meetings)
	Pakistan	S/7624	1331st meeting (1332nd-1333rd, 1335th-1340th meetings)
	Jamaica	S/8465	1339th meeting (1400th, 1413th, 1415th, 1428th meetings)
	Zambia	S/8469	1339th meeting (1400th, 1413th, 1415th, 1428th meetings)
3. The Palestine Question	Iraq	S/7427	1288th meeting (1289th-1295th meetings)
	Syria	S/7547	1305th meeting (1307th-1310th, 1312th-1314th, 1316th, 1317th, 1319th meetings)
	United Arab Republic	S/7548	1305th meeting (1307th-1310th, 1312th-1314th, 1316th, 1317th, 1319th meetings)
	Saudi Arabia	S/7554	1308th meeting (1313th, 1314th meetings)
	Israel	S/7590	1320th meeting (1321st-1328th meetings)
	United Arab Republic	S/7591	1320th meeting (1321st-1328th meetings)
4. Complaint by the United Kingdom	United Arab Republic	S/7447	1296th meeting (1297th-1300th meetings)
	Yemen	S/7449	1296th meeting (1297th-1300th meetings)
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5. Complaint by the Democratic Republic of the Congo	Tanzania	S/7512	1302nd meeting (1303rd-1304th, 1306th meetings)
	Tanzania	S/7517	1302nd meeting (1303rd-1304th, 1306th meetings)
	Burundi	S/7521	1302nd meeting (1303rd-1304th, 1306th meetings)
	Central African Republic	S/7519	1302nd meeting (1303rd-1304th, 1306th meetings)
	Congo (Brazzaville)	S/7520	1302nd meeting (1303rd-1304th, 1306th meetings)

		Request for invitation	Decision of the Council: Invitations extended and renewed	
	Portugal	S/8221	1372nd meeting (1374th, 1376th, 1378th meetings)	
	Burundi	S/8228	1372nd meeting (1374th, 1376th, 1378th meetings)	
	Zambia	S/8231	1372nd meeting (1374th, 1376th, 1378th meetings)	
	Algeria	S/8233	1372nd meeting (1374th, 1376th, 1378th meetings)	
6. Situation in the Middle East (I)	Israel	S/7903	1341st meeting (1342nd-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	United Arab Republic	S/7904	1341st meeting (1342nd meeting)	
	Syria	S/7908	1343rd meeting (1344th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	Jordan	S/7912 S/7909	1343rd meeting (1344th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	Iraq	S/7914	1345th meeting (1346th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	Morocco	S/7915	1345th meeting (1346th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	Saudi Arabia	S/7920	1346th meeting (1347th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	Kuwait	S/7921	1346th meeting (1347th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	Tunisia	S/7928	1348th meeting (1349th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
	Libya	S/7934	1348th meeting (1349th-1361st, 1365th, 1366th meetings)	
(II)	Algeria	S/8045	1366th meeting	
	Israel	S/8209	1369th meeting (1370th, 1371st meetings)	
	Jordan	S/8210	1369th meeting (1370th, 1371st meetings)	
	Syria	S/8211	1369th meeting (1370th, 1371st meetings)	
		S/8214	1369th meeting (1370th, 1371st meetings)	
	Jordan	S/8234	1373rd meeting (1375th, 1377th, 1379th-1382nd meetings)	
	Syria	S/8237	1375th meeting (1377th, 1379th-1382nd meetings)	
	Israel	S/8232	1373rd meeting (1375th, 1377th, 1379th-1382nd meetings)	
		S/8487	1401st meeting (1402nd-1407th meetings)	
	United Arab Republic	S/8488	1401st meeting (1402nd-1407th meetings)	
		Morocco	S/8490	1401st meeting (1402nd-1407th meetings)
		Syria	S/8491	1402nd meeting (1403rd-1407th meetings)
		Saudi Arabia	S/8499	1406th meeting
		Israel	S/8518	1409th meeting (1410th-1412th meetings)
		Syria	S/8522	1410th meeting (1411th-1412th meetings)
	United Arab Republic	S/8526	1411th meeting (1412th meeting)	
	Iraq	S/8527	1411th meeting (1412th meeting)	
	Saudi Arabia	S/8530	1412th meeting	
	Jordan	S/8570	1419th meeting (1420th-1426th meetings)	
	Israel	S/8725	1434th meeting (1435th-1440th meetings)	
	United Arab Republic	S/8726	1434th meeting (1435th-1440th meetings)	
	Iraq	S/8727	1434th meeting (1435th-1440th meetings)	
	Syria	S/8730	1436th meeting (1437th-1440th meetings)	
	Saudi Arabia	S/8733	1436th meeting (1437th-1440th meetings)	
	Israel	S/8797	1446th meeting (1447th meeting)	
	United Arab Republic	S/8799	1446th meeting (1447th meeting)	
	Jordan	S/8822	1453rd meeting (1454th meeting)	

were no objections to inviting "Mr. Rouhi El-Khatib under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure of the

****3. Invitations not expressly under Article 32 or rule 39**

was in accordance with rule 39 which provided for the invitation of persons whom the Council considered "competent".

At the 1280th meeting on 18 May 1966 in connexion with the situation in Southern Rhodesia, in response to

"necessary or desirable" for the Council to pronounce secured after consultations with all members of the Council was that Mr. El-Khatib be invited in accordance with rule 39 "that is to say as a person whom the Council

communication addressed to the Secretary-General from a source in Southern Rhodesia, the President (Netherlands) had received some communications from "the side of the Smith régime". Since those communications were addressed

ariat and other persons.

copies of telegrams from Salisbury which he had received from a Mr. Lardner Burke "who calls himself Charter and had requested an invitation to participate in

After the representative of Algeria had reiterated the argument that Mr. El-Khatib's competence was based on the fact that he was Mayor of Jerusalem, the President, in a communication which he had undertaken under rule 39, he proposed

sia After recalling the provisions of Article 32 of the

Council unless his ruling was challenged.

"... the legal status of Southern Rhodesia is that of

the consultations with his delegation, the question was raised whether Mr. El-Khatib would be invited in his capacity as Mayor of Jerusalem, since that was the post

of the sixteenth session of the General Assembly, and Article 32 of the Charter does not apply. In the circumstances, it is for the Council to decide what consi-

appear before the Council in his capacity as Mayor of Jerusalem, "the more so since the pertinent General Assembly resolutions provide ... that there shall be no change in the status of Jerusalem". Consequently, whether the President stated this explicitly or not, as his delegation undertook it, he would speak to the Council in his official capacity.

members of the Council copies of the telegrams I received from Salisbury on this subject.

"I need hardly recall to the Council that in several resolutions on the subject the Council has labelled the régime in Southern Rhodesia as illegal. For this reason, and in line with the policy of the Secretariat, not to interfere with the internal affairs of States, I do not intend to reply to the various telegrams from Salisbury."

After further discussion, the President stated that he

that the Council should invite Mr. Rouhi El-Khatib to

declared:

that it was neither necessary nor desirable for the Council to attempt to reach conclusions on matters of substance or matters of competence. "We know very well why

of the Secretary-General. Unless any representative wishes to speak on the subject, I think that the state-

been the universal opinion that we should welcome him and bear what he had to say." In this connexion, he felt that it was in the best interests of all concerned that

At the 1445th meeting on 24 August in connexion with the situation in Czechoslovakia, the President (Brazil)

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Rouhi El-Khatib took a place at the Council table.¹⁴

article of the Charter concerning the circulation of an official Security Council document of a telegram from the German Democratic Republic in which the latter requested an invitation to participate in the proceedings

¹³ For the text of relevant statements, see: 1420th meeting (PV): President (United Kingdom), p. 7; Jordan, pp. 6-7;

¹⁵ 1280th meeting, para. 6.

1421st meeting: President (United Kingdom), pp. 2-5, 6-10, 11, 16, 20, 23-25; Algeria, pp. 6, 7-10, 16-20, 21; Hungary, pp. 16, 22; Belgium, p. 17; USSR, p. 11.

¹⁶ For the text of relevant statements, see: 1280th meeting: President (Netherlands), paras. 4, 9; Nigeria, para. 2; Secretary-General, para. 6.

1421st meeting, p. 20.

1445th meeting (PV), p. 2.

of the Security Council.¹⁸ Speaking in connexion with

The representative of the USSR, after reading out the

it was more than logical to hear that representative and

to the Security Council to set forth the views of the

The representative of France reiterating his Govern-
ment's position on this matter observed that France did

bers.¹⁹ Noting that the arguments put forward for
preventing the representative of the German Democratic

national affairs. Then representative, therefore, could
not be allowed to participate in the debate of the Council.

The representative of Hungary noted that as far as the
definition of statehood was concerned, there were certain
criteria such as territory, population and government,
de facto or *de jure* in the territory. These criteria had all
been met by the German Democratic Republic, and
whether a certain State recognized it or not was another

the United Nations or the Security Council. In any
event, there were precedents in which invitations to take
part in the work of the Council were sent not only to
non-member States, but even to countries which were not
formally or officially States. In view of these considera-
tions and in accordance with the Charter and rules of
procedure, he proposed that the German Democratic
Republic be invited to take part in the work of the Council

The representative of the United Kingdom asserted
that his Government did not recognize that there existed
a State or a Government other than that of the Federal
Republic of Germany entitled to speak at the

The representative of Bulgaria questioned the tactic by
which certain States accused the German Democratic
Republic of participation in the attack against Czecho-

"to hear the person who asked to be heard would add
nothing new to our proceedings" serving only to delay
and confuse those proceedings "which indeed doubtless
is the object of the application".

before the Council in order to reply to those accusations.
As regards the argument of recognition, a fact that certain
States did not recognize the German Democratic Repub-
lic had nothing to do with whether or not the represen-
tatives of that State should be invited to participate in the

The representative of the United States was of the view
that while "it is true that the régime established by the
Soviet Union in the zone of Germany which it has

Council's discussion. Moreover, there had even been
cases in which some persons had been invited to partici-
pate in the Council's deliberations, although their status

useful purpose could be served by the hearing of that
régime, since its representative would be "nothing more
than a proxy for the Government of the Soviet Union
which is already adequately and permanently represented
on this Council". With regard to the Charter provision
relevant to the situation, there could be no ambiguity,
since both Article 32 and rule 6 were applicable only to
States, whereas the régime of the Soviet zone of East
Germany was neither a State nor entitled in any way to
speak for the German people.

when a representative of the Turkish Cypriot community
was invited to participate in the debate to clarify matters
for the Council. In the light of those circumstances, if
the Security Council was to have a full grasp of the
situation, the German Democratic Republic must be
invited to participate.²⁰

The representative of Denmark maintained that only
the Federal Republic of Germany was entitled to speak
on behalf of the German people in international affairs

The USSR proposal to invite the German Democratic
Republic to participate in the debate was put to the vote
and rejected. There were 2 votes in favour, 9 against and
4 abstentions.²¹

of the person who applied to be heard would serve no
request for a hearing.

the United Nations who were not members of the Security Council,
but whose interests were considered especially affected by the latter
(1445th meeting (1951), pp. 11-12).

¹⁹ In a subsequent statement, the representative of the USSR

²⁰ For the text of relevant statements, see:
1445th meeting: Bulgaria, pp. 42-46; Denmark, p. 18; France,
p. 12; Hungary, p. 12; USSR, pp. 26-38, 91-92; United Kingdom,
pp. 13-16; United States, pp. 16-17.

Part II

**CONSIDERATION OF THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 32 OF THE CHARTER

Part III

PROCEDURES RELATING TO PARTICIPATION OF INVITED REPRESENTATIVES

NOTE

Part III is concerned with procedure relating to the participation of invited representatives after an invitation has been extended. It includes material on participation by Members and non-members of the United Nations

invited States might be heard (section A), or the duration of participation of invited representatives (section B) arose during the period under review. The practice has been maintained, however, according to which the President, when consideration of a question has extended over several meetings, has renewed the invitation at each consecutive meeting immediately after the adoption of the agenda.²⁴

Section C deals with limitations of a procedural nature

the President to permit an invited representative to speak on a point of order was accompanied by an explanation of the provisions of the rules of procedure governing this

with aspects of the business of the Council in which it

tives should participate. Under the subheading "Other matters", one case²⁴ is included in which the President, after explaining the rule governing the participation of invited representatives, stated that as far as he was

decisions of the Council.

**A. STAGE AT WHICH INVITED STATES ARE HEARD

**1. Concerning the order in which invited representatives are called upon to speak

2. Concerning the raising of points of order by invited representatives

At the 1295th meeting on 3 August 1966, in connexion with the Palestine question, the President (Uganda) interrupting a statement by the representative of Israel, explained that although the representative of Syria had

indicated his wish to raise a point of order, the rules of procedure did not permit a non-member to raise points of order. The President stated that the representative of Israel could continue his statement.²⁵

D. LIMITATIONS ON MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED BY INVITED REPRESENTATIVES

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Extension of invitations

CASE 7

At the 1292nd meeting on 29 July 1966, in connexion with the Palestine question, the representative of Jordan

that was being made by the representative of Israel. In his view, the representative of Israel had no right whatsoever to discuss the decision of the Council how the Council should proceed, or what it should do about the procedural aspects of its business. "What the Council decided was the Council's business, and... none of them should be discussed until after a decision has been taken by the

The President (Nigeria) stated that it was the rule of the Council that members who were invited merely to participate without vote, would not participate in the discussion on procedure. He, however, had not thought

that the members who were invited to participate without vote, would, in return for that courtesy, "not go into very lengthy discussions of their own views of what the Council may have decided on the issue of procedure". In this connexion, he added, the representative of Israel should

**E. EFFECT OF THE EXTENSION OF INVITATIONS

²⁴ For the text of relevant statement, see:

²⁵ For the text of relevant statements, see:

note 1, and part 1, C.2 (a), 1001-note.