

**Chapter IV**

**VOTING**

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## INTRODUCTORY NOTE

This chapter contains material from the *Official Records* of the matter can be obtained from the vote. Nor can any indication be obtained from proceedings in which a proposal having been put to the vote, has failed to obtain a majority. The content of the material in this chapter is derived from the *Official Records*, *Annexes*, *Decisions*, *Compendium* and *Summary* of the Council's proceedings. The material in this chapter is arranged in the following order: (1) matters which, under headings derived from the subject matter dealt with in the decisions; the headings do not constitute general propositions as to the procedural character of future proposals which might be deemed to fall under them.

whether a matter is procedural within the meaning of Article 27, paragraph 2, has been found for the period 1946-1967. Part III is concerned with the inclusion or absence of a Council member in relation to the requirements of Article 27, paragraph 2. International Court of Justice is included in chapter VI. Procedure employed by the Council in connection with the draft of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, which was adopted by the Council on 24 October 1945, is therefore restricted to a reference whereby the draft identified in the record of decisions in other parts of this Supplement.

### Part I

#### PROCEDURAL AND NON-PROCEDURAL MATTERS

##### A. CASES IN WHICH THE VOTE INDICATED THE PROCEDURAL CHARACTER OF THE MATTER

###### 1. Inclusion of items in the agenda

On three occasions, items have been included in the agenda by a vote of the Council, notwithstanding the negative vote of a permanent member.

###### CASE 1

At the 1273rd meeting on 2 February 1966—Situation in Viet-Nam.

###### CASE 2

At the 1388th meeting on 26 January 1968—Complaint by the United States (Pueblo incident).<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 1273rd meeting, para. 27.

<sup>2</sup> 1388th meeting (PV), pp. 19-20.

##### CASE 3

At the 1441st meeting on 21 August 1968—Situation in Czechoslovakia.<sup>3</sup>

###### \*\*2. Order of items on the agenda

###### \*\*3. Deferment of consideration of items on the agenda

###### \*\*4. Removal of an item from the list of matters of which the Security Council is seized

###### \*\*5. Rulings of the President of the Security Council

###### \*\*6. Suspension of a meeting

<sup>3</sup> 1441st meeting (PV), pp. 58-60. For procedural discussion concerning inclusion of the item in the agenda, see chapter II, pp. 15-16.

## 7. Adjournment of a meeting

CASE 5

On the following occasion, a proposal that the Security Council should adjourn under rule 22, paragraph 2, was

Decision of 4 November 1966 (1519th meeting):  
Rejection of draft resolution submitted by Argentina

CASE 4

At the 1358th meeting on 13 June 1967—Situation in the Middle East.<sup>4</sup>

Decision of 22 August (1443rd meeting): Rejection of draft resolution submitted by Brazil, Canada, Denmark, France, Paraguay, Senegal, the United Kingdom and the United States in connexion with Situation in Czechoslovakia

\*\*8. Invitation to participate in the proceedings

\*\*2. In connexion with other matters considered by the Security Council

\*\*10. Convocation of an emergency special session

CASES IN WHICH THE VOTE INDICATED THE

1. In connexion with matters considered by the Security Council under its responsibility for the maintenance

<sup>5</sup> S/7575/Rev.1, OR, 21st yr., Suppl. for Oct.-Dec. 1966, p. 69;

<sup>4</sup> 1358th meeting (PV), p. 172.

<sup>5</sup> 1443rd meeting (PV), pp. 165-168. For vote on the draft resolution, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 172.

\*\*Part II

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL REGARDING VOTING  
UPON THE QUESTION WHETHER THE MATTER WAS PROCEDURAL  
WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 27, PARAGRAPH 3  
OF THE CHARTER

\*\*A. PROCEEDINGS ON OCCASIONS WHEN THE SECURITY COUNCIL  
VOTED ON "THE PRELIMINARY QUESTION"

\*\*B. CONSIDERATION OF PROCEDURES INVOLVED IN VOTING  
ON "THE PRELIMINARY QUESTION"

\*\*1. Consideration of the order in which the matter itself, and the question whether  
the matter is procedural, should be voted upon

\*\*3. Consideration of the use of rule 30 of the provisional rules of procedure  
of the Security Council in determining whether a matter is procedural

Part III

ABSTENTION AND AGENCIES IN RELATION TO ARTICLE 27

\*\*A. OBLIGATORY ABSTENTION

B. VOLUNTARY ABSTENTION IN RELATION  
TO ARTICLE 27, PARAGRAPH 3

\*\*1. Cases in which members have abstained in accordance  
with the proviso of Article 27, paragraph 3

\*\*2. Consideration of abstention in accordance  
with the proviso of Article 27, paragraph 3

1. Certain cases in which permanent members have  
abstained otherwise than in accordance with the proviso  
of Article 27, paragraph 3

SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

(ix) The United Kingdom draft resolution on

CASE 7

CASE 9

Decision of 9 April 1966 (1377th meeting): Draft

CASE 8

(vote on operative paragraph 15)<sup>17</sup>

Decisions of 16 December 1966 (1340th meeting):

- (i) First Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the United Kingdom draft resolution.<sup>8</sup>
- (ii) Second Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the United Kingdom draft resolution.<sup>9</sup>

COMPLAINT BY THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

CASE 10

- (v) Fifth Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the United Kingdom draft resolution (vote on new operative paragraph 6).<sup>11</sup>

Uganda.<sup>10</sup>

SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

- (vi) Sixth Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the United Kingdom draft resolution (vote on operative paragraph 7).<sup>12</sup>

CASE 11

- (vii) Seventh Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the United Kingdom draft resolution (vote on operative paragraph 8).<sup>13</sup>

resolution submitted by Pakistan and Senegal as amended.<sup>10</sup>

GENERAL

1340th meeting (PV), pp. 57-60. For vote on the second Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the draft resolution, see

QUESTION OF GUARANTEES TO NON-NUCLEAR WEAPON

CASE 13

tion, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 119.

<sup>11</sup> 1340th meeting (PV), pp. 63-66. For vote on new operative paragraph 6 in the fifth Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the United Kingdom draft resolution, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 119.

<sup>12</sup> 1340th meeting (PV), p. 66. For vote on operative paragraph 7 in the fifth Mali-Nigeria-Uganda amendment to the United Kingdom draft resolution, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 119.

United Kingdom draft resolution, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 119.

and the United States.

<sup>10</sup> 1340th meeting (PV), pp. 76-80. For vote on the draft resolution, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 119.

<sup>11</sup> 1428th meeting (PV), pp. 26-27. For vote on the draft reso-

see chapter VIII, part II, p. 137.

United Kingdom draft resolution, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 119.

<sup>13</sup> 1340th meeting (PV), p. 68. For vote on operative para-

<sup>10</sup> 1454th meeting (PV), pp. 103-105. For vote on the draft resolution, see chapter VIII, part II, p. 162.

<sup>14</sup> 1454th meeting (PV), pp. 103-105. For vote on the draft