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Collection of information on the practice of States and international organizations regarding the settlement of international disputes to which international organizations are parties

Response to questionnaire

1. What types of disputes/issues have you encountered?

Disputes between international organizations and private parties, including individuals and legal persons, such as corporations or associations.

These may be contractual disputes between an international organization and a service provider or other commercial disputes, or labour disputes between an international organization and one of its employees.

2. What methods of dispute settlement have been resorted to in cases of disputes with private parties?

Negotiation, mediation and conciliation.

3. Please describe the relative importance of informal consensual dispute settlement and/or third-party dispute resolution, such as arbitration or judicial settlement.

Consensual dispute settlement methods are preferred over other methods in disputes with private parties. Only if these fail will the parties resort to judicial resolution.

4. Which methods of dispute settlement do you consider to be most useful?

The most useful settlement methods are negotiation, mediation and conciliation.

5. From a historical perspective, have there been any changes or trends in the types of disputes arising, the numbers of such disputes and the modes of settlement used?

Historically, disputes involving international organizations in Côte d'Ivoire have been primarily labour disputes between an organization and an employee. This is still the case today. The number of such disputes is constantly changing. Conciliation remains the preferred method of

settlement.

6. Do you have suggestions for improving the methods of dispute settlement?

Very few international organizations in Côte d'Ivoire cooperate in procedures relating to disputes to which they are parties. Improving dispute settlement methods might involve first awareness-raising, then the summoning of the head of the organization, and lastly the application of punitive measures, such as the suspension of certain privileges.

7. Are there types of disputes that remain outside the scope of available dispute settlement methods?

No. Everything depends on the good faith and cooperation of the international organization in question.

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