

ARTICLE 62 (3)

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TEXT OF ARTICLE 62 (3)

It [the Economic and Social Council] may prepare draft conventions for submission to the General Assembly, with respect to matters falling within its competence.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE

1. The structure of this study is similar to that of Article 62 (3) in previous Repertory studies, and the material supplements that included in the earlier ones. The preparation of international instruments under the auspices of the regional economic commissions of the Economic and Social Council is dealt with under Article 68.

I. GENERAL SURVEY

2. During the period under review, the Economic and Social Council decided to convene an international conference of States on the adoption of a draft convention, namely, the draft of a single convention on narcotic drugs, prepared by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs. 1/ One draft protocol - the Draft Protocol on a Uniform System of Road Signs and Signals 2/ - was still under consideration at the end of the period under review.

1/ E S C resolution 689 J (XXVI).

2/ See Repertory, Supplement No. 1, vol. II, under Article 62 (3), foot-note 4.

3. At its twenty-eighth session, the Council requested the Secretary-General to prepare, for the Commission on the Status of Women, a draft convention and a draft recommendation dealing with the questions of the minimum age of marriage, the requirement of the free consent of both parties to the marriage and the compulsory registration of marriages. 3/

II. ANALYTICAL SUMMARY OF PRACTICE

A. The preparation of draft conventions

4. As in similar instances in the past, all Members of the United Nations were invited to express their views on the draft single convention on narcotic drugs prior to the convening of an international conference of States on its adoption. Members of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency were also invited to comment. In addition, comments were requested from the World Health Organization and other specialized agencies, from the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as from other interested organizations, including the Permanent Central Opium Board, the Drug Supervisory Body and the International Criminal Police Organization. 4/

**B. Authorization by the Economic and Social Council to the Secretary-General and others to submit draft conventions to the General Assembly

C. Submission by the Economic and Social Council of draft conventions to international conferences of States called under Article 62 (4)

5. During this period, the Economic and Social Council decided to call one conference under Article 62 (4), for the purpose of submitting a draft convention. 5/

3/ E S C resolution 722 B (XXVIII).

4/ E S C resolution 689 J (XXVI).

5/ See para. 2 above.