

ARTICLE 80

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1. Except as may be agreed upon in individual trusteeship agreements, made under Articles 77, 79 and 81, placing each territory under the trusteeship system, and until such agreements have been concluded, nothing in this Chapter shall be construed in or of itself to alter in any manner the rights whatsoever of any states or any peoples or the terms of existing international instruments to which Members of the United Nations may respectively be parties.

2. Paragraph 1 of this Article shall not be interpreted as giving grounds for delay or postponement of the negotiation and conclusion of agreements for placing mandated and other territories under the trusteeship system as provided for in Article 77.

NOTE

1. The material hitherto dealt with under this Article in the *Repertory* studies related exclusively to the question of South West Africa,¹ a Territory under the League of Nations Mandate conferred upon His Britannic Majesty to be exercised on his behalf by the Government of South Africa.

2. As has been reported,² the General Assembly, by resolution 2145(XXI) of 27 October 1966, terminated the League of Nations Mandate over Namibia held by the Government of South Africa and brought the Territory under the direct responsibility of the United Nations.

3. The material concerning the United Nations administration of Namibia is dealt with under Article 81 in this *Supplement*.

¹The name of the Territory was changed from South West Africa to Namibia on 12 June 1968 (G A resolution 2372(XXII)).

²*Repertory, Supplement No. 3*, vol. III, under Article 80, para. 352.