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1. The General Assembly shall receive and consider annual and special reports from the Security Council; these reports shall include an account of the measures that the Security Council has decided upon or taken to maintain international peace and security.
2. The General Assembly shall receive and consider reports from the other organs of the United Nations.

NOTE

1. Except for the case described below, there was no change in the application of this Article. From the twenty-first to the twenty-fourth session, the General Assembly dealt with the reports according to the standard procedure which was described in the *Repertory*.¹

2. At the twenty-third session, the General Assembly had before it a request by the Secretary-General for the inclusion in the agenda of a supplementary item entitled "Report of the International Court of Justice".²

3. As indicated in the explanatory memorandum attached to the request for inclusion, the President of the International Court of Justice informed the Secretary-General that the Court, conscious of the need for closer co-operation with the other organs of the United Nations, had drawn up a report on its activities from 1 August 1967 to 31 July

1968 and wished to submit the report to the General Assembly at its following regular session. The Court felt that such a report, the first of its kind, would contribute to a better understanding of its functions and of its activities within the framework of the United Nations.

4. Rule 13 (b) of the General Assembly's rules of procedure provides that the provisional agenda of a regular session shall include, *inter alia*, the reports of the International Court of Justice. However, since the communication from the President of the Court was received after the publication of the provisional agenda, the Secretary-General proposed the inclusion in the agenda of a supplementary item entitled "Report of the International Court of Justice" in accordance with rule 14 of the rules of procedure.

5. The table listing the reports of the principal organs to the General Assembly and the relevant agenda items is given in the annex below.³

¹ See *Repertory*, vol. 1, under Article 15, pp. 481-500.

² G A (XXIII), Annexes, a.i. 14, A/7181.

³ See also this *Supplement* under Articles 24, 85, 88 and 89.

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			<i>Agenda item</i>
<i>Reports of the Security Council</i>			
16 July 1965 to 15 July 1966	G A (XXI),	Suppl. No. 2 (A/6302)	11
16 July 1966 to 15 July 1967	G A (XXII),	Suppl. No. 2 (A/6702 and Corr.1)	11
16 July 1967 to 15 July 1968	G A (XXIII),	Suppl. No. 2 (A/7202)	11
16 July 1968 to 15 July 1969	G A (XXIV),	Suppl. No. 2 (A/7602)	11
<i>Reports of the Economic and Social Council</i>			
1 August 1965 to 5 August 1966	G A (XXI),	Suppl. No. 3 (A/6303)	12
<i>Addendum</i>	G A (XXI),	Suppl. No. 3A (A/6303/Add.1)	12
6 August 1966 to 4 August 1967	G A (XXII),	Suppl. No. 3 (A/6703 and Corr.1)	12
<i>Addendum</i>	G A (XXII),	Suppl. No. 3A (A/6703/Add.1)	12
August 1967 to 2 August 1968	G A (XXIII),	Suppl. No. 3 (A/7203)	12
<i>Addendum</i>	G A (XXIII),	Suppl. No. 3A (A/7203/Add.1)	12
3 August 1968 to 8 August 1969	G A (XXIV),	Suppl. No. 3 (A/7603 and Corr.1)	12
<i>Addendum</i>	G A (XXIV),	Suppl. No. 3A (A/7603/Add.1)	12

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<i>Reports of the Trusteeship Council</i>			
1 July 1965 to 26 July 1966	G A (XXI),	Suppl. No. 4 (A/6304)	13
27 July 1966 to 30 June 1967	G A (XXII),	Suppl. No. 4 (A/6704)	13
1 July 1967 to 19 June 1968	G A (XXIII),	Suppl. No. 4 (A/7204)	13
20 June 1968 to 19 June 1969	G A (XXIV),	Suppl. No. 4 (A/7604)	13
<i>Reports of the International Court of Justice</i>			
1 August 1967 to 31 July 1968	G A (XXIII),	Suppl. No. 17 (A/7217 and Corr.1)	14
1 August 1968 to 31 July 1969	G A (XXIV),	Suppl. No. 5 (A/7605 and Corr.1)	14
<i>Reports of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization</i>			
16 June 1965 to 15 June 1966	G A (XXI),	Suppl. No. 1 (A/6301)	10
<i>Introduction</i>	G A (XXI),	Suppl. No. 1A (A/6301/Add.1)	10
16 June 1966 to 15 June 1967	G A (XXII),	Suppl. No. 1 (A/6701 and Corr.1)	10
<i>Introduction</i>	G A (XXII),	Suppl. No. 1A (A/6701/Add.1)	10
16 June 1967 to 15 June 1968	G A (XXIII),	Suppl. No. 1 (A/7201)	10
<i>Introduction</i>	G A (XXIII),	Suppl. No. 1A (A/7201/Add.1)	10
16 June 1968 to 15 June 1969	G A (XXIV),	Suppl. No. 1 (A/7601)	10
<i>Introduction</i>	G A (XXIV),	Suppl. No. 1A (A/7601/Add.1)	10