

ARTICLE 46

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Plans for the application of armed force shall be made by the Security Council with the assistance of the Military Staff Committee.

NOTE

1. On 12 September 1983, in connection with the consideration of the 1982 report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization,¹ the President of the Security Council issued a note² which contained an explicit reference to “Articles 43 to 47” of the Charter. That note is covered in more detail in the study on Article 43.³
2. No other decisions requiring treatment under Article 46 were taken by the organs of the United Nations during the period under review.⁴

¹ G A (37), Suppl. No. 1.

² S/15971.

³ See the present *Supplement*, under Article 43, para. 5.

⁴ Some explicit and implicit references to Article 46, often with Articles 43, 45 and 47 of the Charter, were made in the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly and in a few reports submitted to the Assembly concerning the agenda item entitled “Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization”. See G A (34), Suppl. No. 33, para. 18 (subparas. 7 and 76 (sect. III.A)); G A (36), Suppl. No. 33, para. 43; G A (37), Suppl. No. 33, para. 33; G A (34), 6th Comm., 31st mtg.: Bangladesh, para. 22; *ibid.*, 36th mtg.: Cyprus, para. 16. For more details on the item, see the present *Supplement*, under Article 43, para. 10.