ARTICLE 54

TEXT OF ARTICLE 54

The Security Council shall at all times be kept fully informed of activities undertaken or in contemplation under regional arrangements or by regional agencies for the maintenance of international peace and security.

NOTE

1. No decisions requiring treatment under this Article have been taken by the organs of the United Nations.

2. During the period under consideration, the Security Council has been kept informed of activities undertaken or in contemplation by the Council of the Organization of American States, and by its Inter-American Peace Committee, as indicated below: 1/

   a. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OAS)

      i. Letter 2/ to the Secretary-General, dated 10 January 1955, transmitting the resolution adopted by the Council of the OAS concerning Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

      ii. Letter 3/ to the Secretary-General, dated 12 January 1955, transmitting the resolution adopted by the Council of the OAS on 11 January 1955 concerning Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

      iii. Letter 4/ to the Secretary-General, dated 13 January 1955, transmitting the resolution adopted by the Council of the OAS on 12 January 1955 concerning Costa Rica and Nicaragua.


      vi. Letter 7/ to the Secretary-General dated 18 February 1955, transmitting the report of the Fact Finding Committee of the OAS concerning Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

1/ Communications in which specific references were made to Article 54 are marked with an asterisk.

2/ S/3314.
3/ S/3343.
4/ S/3343.
5/ S/3347.
6/ S/3349.
7/ S/3366 and Add.l.

viii. Letter 9/ to the Secretary-General dated 8 September 1955, transmitting a resolution adopted by the Council of the OAS on 8 September 1955 and the report submitted by the Special Committee concerning Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

b. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE INTER-AMERICAN PEACE COMMITTEE 10/

1. Letter 11/ to the Secretary-General, dated 23 April 1956 transmitting the minutes of a meeting of the Inter-American Peace Committee held on 20 April 1956 concerning a complaint of Cuba against the Dominican Republic.

3. All the communications listed above have been circulated as Security Council documents. It has also been the practice to include in the report of the Security Council to the General Assembly summary accounts of the questions to which these documents refer. 12/ None of those questions has been placed on the provisional agenda of the Security Council.

3/ S/3395.
10/ Organ provided for in resolution XIV of the second meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics held in Havana, Cuba, 21-30 July 1940, and since 6 July 1949 functioning under the name "Inter-American Peace Committee".
11/ S/3591.
12/ See: G A (X), Suppl. No. 2 (A/2955), paras. 169-173.
   G A (XI), Suppl. No. 2 (A/3157), paras. 360 and 361.
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