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TEXT OF ARTICLE 67

1. Each member of the Economic and Social Council shall have one vote.
2. Decisions of the Economic and Social Council shall be made by a majority of the members present and voting.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE

1. As in the studies of this Article in Supplements Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the Repertory, the general survey of this study indicates only the frequency of application of the methods followed by the Economic and Social Council in reaching decisions.

2. During the period under review, no question arose regarding Article 67 that required treatment under the headings marked with a double asterisk.

I. GENERAL SURVEY

**A. Article 67(1)**

B. Article 67(2)

3. There was no change during this period in the relevant rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council. During the period, the Council adopted 326 resolutions, 279 of which were adopted unanimously; 45 resolutions were adopted by a majority of at least 28 affirmative votes, and two by a majority of fewer than 28 affirmative votes.

4. As regards the method of voting, 10 resolutions and separate paragraphs of six resolutions were adopted in plenary meetings by a show of hands, 277 resolutions were adopted without a vote, that is, by tacit consent, and 24 were adopted in plenary meetings by roll-call votes. Roll-call votes were taken in plenary meetings on

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1 See this Supplement under, Article 61, section II C, “Question of the representation of a Member State.”
2 During the period covered by the Repertory, Supplement No. 6, 341 of 464 resolutions adopted by the Council were adopted unanimously.
separate paragraphs of nine resolutions and amendments\textsuperscript{5} thereto. 14 resolutions\textsuperscript{6} and separate paragraphs of three resolutions\textsuperscript{7} were adopted in plenary meetings by a recorded vote. One resolution\textsuperscript{8} was adopted by non-recorded vote.

5. The Council elected its officers\textsuperscript{9} at its organizational sessions in 1985, 1986, and 1987 by acclamation. However, at the organizational session in 1988, the President of the Council was elected by secret ballot and four Vice-Presidents by acclamation.

** II. ANALYTICAL SUMMARY OF PRACTICE

**A. The meaning of the term “decision”

**B. Majority required

**C. Methods of taking decisions\textsuperscript{10}

**D. Question of the application of Article 67 to voting rules in the subsidiary bodies of the Council

**E. Question of the validity of decisions of the Council, raised in connexion with the representation of a Member State


\textsuperscript{8} E S C resolution 1987/56, E/1987/SR.17.

\textsuperscript{9} President and four Vice-Presidents.

\textsuperscript{10} For frequency of application of various methods of taking decisions, see paras. 3 and 4 above.