

4 that the procedure for treatment of an application, whether it is made for the first time or following one or more unsuccessful applications, shall be as follows:

- a) upon receipt of an application, the Secretary-General shall, as soon as possible, inform by telegram all countries listed in Annex 1 to the Convention and countries which have acceded to that Convention;
- b) the telegram shall specify that the countries called upon to give an opinion on the request for admission are those which have ratified or acceded to the Convention, together with those which ratify the Convention before the end of the consultation period provided that, at that time, they have not lost their right of vote under No. 117 of the Convention;
- c) the text of the telegram shall be confirmed by letter;
- d) upon expiry of the period of four months from the date of dispatch of the telegram, the Secretary-General shall determine whether the requisite majority vote in favour has been cast, namely, two-thirds of the countries indicated in b) above;

5 that the result of the consultation shall be published in a Notification of the Union, which shall list the Members voting in favour of admission and those voting against.

Ref.: Documents 917/CA6 (1951), 1606/CA9 (1954), 1832/CA11 (1956), 3713/CA22 (1967), 4857/CA30 (1975), 5703/CA36 (1981), 6197/CA39 (1984).

R 262 Complaints from Members of the Union against other Members of the Union

(C-1952, last amended C-1984)

The Council,

considering

- a) that the Secretary-General is requested to inform all Members of the Union of complaints made by certain Members, and of concern to a limited number of Members only;
- b) that the Secretary-General is not competent to intervene in disputes arising between Members of the Union;
- c) that two procedures are laid down for the settlement of disputes:
 - a) direct, friendly negotiations between the Members concerned;
 - b) recourse to the provisions of article 50 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982,

invites Members of the Union to abstain from calling upon the Secretary-General to acquaint other Members with their disputes, either by publication in a Notification or by any other means,

instructs the Secretary-General to refer those Members submitting complaints against other Members to the terms of the present Resolution, and to advise them that, in consequence, he cannot comply with their request.

Ref.: Documents 1212/CA7 (1952), 4965/CA31 (1976), 6197/CA39 (1984).
