

into account the views expressed in the debate and the report of the sub-committee on the question "with appropriate reference to the views of states which have achieved independence since the Second World War."

The Delegations of Australia, Ghana and Israel introduced under this same item a separate resolution which would have permitted the accession by new member states of the United Nations to treaties concluded under the auspices of the League of Nations, unless objections to such accessions should have been received by the Secretary-General from former members of the League within one year of the circulation of notice to that effect by the Secretary-General. Some opposition arose, engendered in the main by constitutional difficulties foreseen in the case of certain countries. In the event, however, a compromise resolution [1766 (XVII)] was passed unanimously under which the International Law Commission was requested to study further the question of "extended participation in general multilateral treaties concluded under the auspices of the League of Nations".

The Juridical Yearbook

The publication of a United Nations juridical yearbook has been under consideration by the Sixth Committee for some years. At its fifteenth session, the Assembly approved in principle the idea of publication and an Ad Hoc Committee was assigned at the seventeenth session the task of making specific recommendations for content and format of a suitable publication, taking account of the organization's budgetary limitations. The Assembly, by Resolution 1814 (XVII), unanimously approved the Working Group's recommendations and instructed the Secretary-General to publish the first volume of the yearbook in 1964.

Consular Relations

The International Law Commission's draft articles on a proposed Consular Relations Convention were also considered by the Sixth Committee. At its sixteenth session the General Assembly had recommended the convening of an international conference at Vienna in early 1963 to draw up a convention on this topic based on draft articles prepared by the International Law Commission, as modified by any views of governments on these, and consideration of the draft articles at the seventeenth session for the purpose of providing member states with an opportunity to exchange views on the subject in preparation for the conference at Vienna. A resolution [1813 (XVII)] was unanimously approved, inviting governments who were to participate to forward to the Secretary-General any amendments which they intended to table to the text of the draft prepared by the International Law Commission.