

With respect to the negotiation of economic agreements, the Bureau of Legal Affairs was involved not only in the purely economic negotiations such as those in connection with the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the Hamburg rules for the carriage of goods by sea, but also in negotiations in which political, social and cultural elements are involved along with economic considerations. Examples include the United Nations code of conduct for transnational corporations, bilateral treaties to avoid double taxation and the protocol with Egypt covering the coming of the Tutankhamun Exhibition to Canada.

Lastly, mention should be made of the drafting of a code of conduct for the transfer of technology (a project of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development) the drafting of the ECOSOC convention on corrupt practices, the development of consultation procedures with the United States to avoid overlapping jurisdictions and the finalizing of nuclear safety control mechanisms.