

IX. PUBLIC AND PRIVATE MEETINGS

Plenary meetings and meetings of committees

Rule 56

The plenary meetings of the Conference and the meetings of committees shall be held in public unless the body concerned decides otherwise. All decisions taken by the plenary of the Conference at a private meeting shall be announced at an early public meeting of the plenary.

Meetings of sub-committees or working groups

Rule 57

As a general rule meetings of a sub-committee or working group shall be held in private.

Communiqués on private meetings

Rule 58

At the close of a private meeting, the chairman of the organ concerned may issue a communiqué to the press through the Executive Secretary.

X. OTHER PARTICIPANTS AND OBSERVERS

Representatives of the United Nations Council for Namibia

Rule 59

Representatives designated by the United Nations Council for Namibia may participate in the deliberations of the Conference, the Committee of the Whole and other committees, sub-committees or working groups, in accordance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly.

Representatives of the United Nations and of the organizations that have received an invitation from the General Assembly in subparagraph 2 (e) of its resolution 39/86

Rule 60

1. Except as otherwise provided in the present rules, representatives designated by the United Nations or by organizations referred to in subparagraph 2 (e) of General Assembly resolution 39/86, that have traditionally been invited to participate as observers at legal codification conferences convened under the auspices of the United Nations, shall participate in the Conference in the following capacity: