

APPENDIX XXIX

OFFICIAL SEAL AND EMBLEM OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Resolution of the Assembly, December 7, 1946

The General Assembly,

1. *Recognizes* that it is desirable to approve a distinctive emblem of the United Nations and to authorize its use for the official seal of the Organization;

Resolves therefore that the design reproduced below shall be the emblem and distinctive sign of the United Nations and shall be used for the official seal of the Organization.

2. *Considers* that it is necessary to protect the name of the Organization and its distinctive emblem and official seal;

Recommends therefore:

- (a) that members of the United Nations should take such legislative or other appropriate measures as are necessary to prevent the use, without authorization by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and in particular for commercial purposes by means of trade marks or commercial labels, of the emblem, the official seal and the name of the United Nations, and of abbreviations of that name through the use of its initial letters;
- (b) that the prohibition should take effect as soon as practicable but in any event not later than the expiration of two years from the adoption of this resolution by the General Assembly;
- (c) that each Member of the United Nations, pending the putting into effect within its territory of any such prohibition should use its best endeavours to prevent any use, without authorization by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of the emblem, name, or initials of the United Nations, and in particular for commercial purposes by means of trade marks or commercial labels.

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