

There was little discussion on the Special Convention, the redraft of which contained substantially all the points pressed by the New Zealand representative during the meetings of the Preparatory Commission. Nevertheless, the document is not yet entirely satisfactory. Article III in particular, dealing with law and authority in the zone, will require reconsideration in the light of the place and size of the area finally chosen. It was, however, emphasized that the draft was intended only as a basis for negotiations with the United States Government to be conducted by the Secretary-General with the assistance of a special Committee.

The purpose of the *General Convention* was to implement Articles 104 and 105 of the Charter, which provide that the United Nations shall enjoy such legal capacity and such privileges and immunities as are necessary for the exercise of its functions. By it the Organization is given full juridical personality and immunity from judicial process; its premises and archives are to be inviolable; it is to be exempt from direct taxation and Customs duties; and diplomatic privileges are to be accorded to delegates of member States and to officials of the Organization.

The New Zealand representative raised three points on the drafting of the General Convention which were not altogether satisfactorily answered by the Rapporteur. He also proposed that Section 28 of the General Convention should be broadened to enable specialized agencies to be brought within the ambit of the Convention.

In the circumstances of the discussion it did not prove possible to do this, and the New Zealand representative expressed the hope that, so far as practicable, the privileges of specialized agencies would be co-ordinated with those of the United Nations so that there would be an integrated regime of privileges and immunities.

At the Preparatory Commission stage the New Zealand representative had raised the question of the privileges and immunities to be accorded to Directors and had reserved the right to seek the inclusion of Directors among those entitled to the diplomatic privileges accorded by Section 19 of Article V of the General Convention.

He did not raise the matter before this Committee, since there appeared no likelihood that such a suggestion would receive general support.

The report of the Sixth Committee on the privileges of the United Nations as presented to the General Assembly contains the final drafts of these two conventions and, in addition, deals with the privileges and immunities of the International Court of Justice, the co-ordination of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations and specialized agencies, insurance of motor-cars against third-party risks, and the preservation of accrued pension rights of officials of member States who are working with the United Nations.