OFFICE SPACE FOR DELEGATIONS DURING THE
THIRTEENTH SESSION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

Note by the Executive Secretary

I have been informed by the United Nations that due to the need for completion of work in connexion with the Second International Atomic Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy and to the East-West Conference on the Suppression of Atomic Explosions, which is scheduled to open at the Palais des Nations on 31 October, office space requested for the Thirteenth Session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES has to be severely restricted.

Whilst no precise indications have so far been given as regards the final number of offices available at the Palais des Nations, it looks, at the moment, as if the number will be merely sufficient to meet the needs of the Secretariat, plus perhaps a dozen rooms for delegations.

Meanwhile steps have been taken to reserve the Villas "Les Ormeaux" and "Le Chêne" for the use of delegations, and other possibilities have been explored elsewhere. However, as the situation looks at present it seems certain that we shall find ourselves about thirty offices short on the total requests made by delegations.

Delegations may therefore wish to review their requirements and will also wish to decide in how far they will take up space which could be provided at the Villas, or alternatively make their own arrangements.

In order to facilitate discussion of these matters and finalize arrangements as early as possible, I should like to suggest that each delegation designate a representative to meet jointly with the Chief of Administration and Finance immediately after the close of business of the Intersessional Committee Meeting on Thursday 25 September 1958.