SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

NOTIFICATION BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON CHAPTER VIII TO COMMITTEES AND OTHER SUB-COMMITTEES OF THE CONFERENCE

The Sub-Committee established by the Sixth Committee to consider Chapter VIII of the Charter (Settlement of Differences - Interpretation) has discussed the question of the relationship between Chapter VIII and other parts of the Charter. In the light of its discussion the Sub-Committee wishes to make known to other Committees and Sub-Committees of the Conference that where an Article of the Charter other than those contained in Chapter VIII establishes procedures for action by a Member or by the Organization, action in accordance with that procedure should precede that provided for in Chapter VIII but shall not, unless it is so specified, impair the rights of Members under Chapter VIII. However, it is the view of the Sub-Committee that if consultation has taken place under the provisions of another article, such consultation would be regarded as fulfilling any similar procedural requirement for consultation in Chapter VIII. This will be made clear in the appropriate article of Chapter VIII.