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International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes

September 3, 1984

Dear Mr. Chairman:


The report includes the audited financial statements of the Centre, presented pursuant to Administrative and Financial Regulation 18.

Sincerely yours,

Ibrahim F.I. Shihata
Secretary-General

Mr. A.W. Clausen
Chairman
Administrative Council
International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes
Introduction by the Secretary-General

This is the first annual report that I have the honor to submit to the Administrative Council. In form and substance, it differs from earlier annual reports. There are several reasons for this new presentation.

As Secretary-General, I take it that it is my duty to find ways for ICSID to assume a more important role in improving the investment climate at large, and in developing countries in particular. ICSID can play that role only to the extent that its potential clients, the investors and the host countries, agree to resort to the ICSID machinery either at the time of drafting an investment agreement or when disputes arise out of such an agreement.

For this to happen, it is essential that potential parties to investment disputes be fully aware of the many advantageous features of ICSID.

The annual report is one way to make the public aware of ICSID's activities and of the expanded role that it can play to promote an atmosphere of mutual confidence between investors and states.

In addition to this basic consideration, there are other factors which have prompted me to expand the coverage of the annual report.

To accomplish the objective that I have in mind, I feel that the annual report should not merely be a statement of the events which took place during the year. It should also record the interpretation that the Secretariat can give to recent relevant developments and the Secretariat's assessment of ICSID's prospects, as well as suggestions for expanding its role.

This is the approach that I have already adopted in connection with the publication of "News from ICSID", two issues of which have been published this year. It appears to have been favorably received.

In recent years, certain ICSID awards have been published by other sources and comments on them, as well as on unpublished awards, have begun to appear.

In view of these developments, I believe that it would be proper for the Secretariat to prepare a digest of the legal principles applied by ICSID tribunals insofar as the principles relate to the interpretation and the implementation of the ICSID Convention. This can be done in abstract fashion, without comments or disclosure of any factual information. I believe that such a careful publication will help the general development of the law applicable to investment disputes and as such will serve an important public purpose.

There is also material in the public domain that can be usefully analyzed by t
Secretariat for the benefit of Contracting States and investors. This includes domestic investment laws and bilateral investment treaties. These laws and treaties are published by ICSID in two separate collections entitled "Investment Laws of the World" and "Investment Treaties". So far this material has been referred to in the literature on an ad hoc basis. I consider that it should be the object of systematic analysis since such an analysis may be of considerable help in assisting Contracting States in the drafting of statutory and treaty provisions and may also clarify the views of Contracting States as to what they regard as possible "investments" falling within the scope of the ICSID Convention. That study is under way. Its findings will eventually be recorded in annual reports and ICSID publications.

A similar function can be performed in regard to information which, even though it is not within the public domain, is known to the Secretariat. I have in mind particularly the clauses collected by the Secretariat referring investment disputes to ICSID conciliation/arbitration and the steadily increasing number of questions put to the Secretariat by potential users of ICSID. This information is part of ICSID's experience. In properly digested form, it can be of real assistance to both Contracting States and investors. In order to build up additional information, I have requested Contracting States to supply examples of ICSID clauses used by them in existing investment agreements. I wish that all Contracting States would participate in this endeavor, which is clearly in the interest of the ICSID community as a whole. In due course, an analytic appraisal of contractual trends, including drafting problems, will be prepared by the Secretariat. This information will be recorded in annual reports as well as in separate ICSID publications dealing comprehensively with the subject.

These are merely examples of the means available to further ICSID's paramount objectives. ICSID should not be viewed merely as a mechanism of conflict resolution. It should be regarded as an effective instrument of international public policy which is meant in the final analysis to secure a stable and increasing flow of resources to developing countries under reasonable conditions.

It is my hope that the new format of the annual report will help achieve this fundamental objective.

Ibrahim F.I. Shihata
Secretary-General
Membership

The following States deposited their instrument of ratification on the dates indicated:
Barbados: November 1, 1983  
El Salvador: March 6, 1984

The Convention was signed by Portugal on August 4, 1983. St. Lucia signed the Convention on June 4, 1984, and on the same day deposited its instrument of ratification.

Significance of ICSID Membership

At present, 90 States have signed the Convention and 36 States have ratified it.* ICSID’s membership thereby surpasses by far the membership of other international arbitration conventions, such as:
• New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards of June 10, 1958, ratified by: 62 States
• European Convention on International Commercial Arbitration of April 21, 1961, ratified by: 20 States
• Inter-American Convention on International Commercial Arbitration of January 30, 1975, ratified by: 8 States

It is important to highlight also the widening geographical application of the ICSID Convention. The most significant fact in this regard is the adherence of Latin-American States to the Convention. Paraguay and El Salvador are already members of ICSID and Costa Rica has signed the Convention. It may be hoped that this unprecedented phenomenon will serve as an example to other States in this important region where a considerable part of worldwide foreign investment is concentrated.

It is also interesting to note the phenomenon of certain member States, such as Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, who are on the one hand, as developing countries, importers of investment and of technology and, on the other hand, important capital exporters. In this situation, equally without precedent, ICSID may be used in regard to investment disputes involving nationals of a developing country.

In an era in which it has become increasingly difficult for a developing country to obtain official development assistance and in which foreign private investment has in recent years diminished markedly, ICSID membership cannot be but a positive element in a developing country’s policies. It should be recalled in this regard that ICSID was conceived not only as a dispute settlement mechanism but also, and principally, as an institution contributing effectively to the establishment of an atmosphere of mutual trust between investors and States. ICSID membership, therefore, an important step in the pursuit of an economic policy which tries to attract foreign investment. This is clearly shown by the number of requests for information which potential investors have recently addressed to the Secretariat regarding the adherence of a State to the ICSID Convention.

*Portugal deposited its instrument of ratification on July 21, 1984, bringing the number of ICSID’s members to 87.
Disputes before the Centre

New Cases

In the course of the fiscal year, the Secretary-General has registered:

- two arbitration requests:
  - Atlantic Triton Company Limited v. the Republic of Guinea (Case ARB/84/1, registered on January 19, 1984);
  - Colt Industries Operating Corp., Firearms Division v. the Government of the Republic of Korea (Case ARB/84/2, registered on February 2, 1984);
- one conciliation request:
  - Tesoro Petroleum Corporation v. the Government of Trinidad and Tobago (Case CONC/83/1, registered on August 26, 1983).

Status of Pending Proceedings

[A] Arbitration Proceedings

(1) Amco Asia et al v. the Republic of Indonesia (Case ARB/81/1)
   - September 25, 1983—The Tribunal issues an Award on its jurisdiction.
   - March 19-24, 1984—The Tribunal meets in Copenhagen in the presence of the parties.

(2) Klockner Industrie Anlagen GmbH et al v. the United Republic of Cameroon and Société Camerounaise des engrais (SO-CAME) S.A. (Case ARB/81/2)
   - October 21, 1983—The Tribunal issues an Award on the merits. Attached to the Award is a dissenting opinion of one of the arbitrators.
   - February 16, 1984—The Secretary-General registers an application for annulment of the Award by Klockner.
   - March 19, 1984—The Secretary-General notifies the parties that the ad hoc Committee provided for under Article 52(3) of the Convention has been constituted. The Committee, appointed by the Chairman of the Administrative Council, consists of Messrs. Pierre Lalive (Swiss), Ahmed El-Kosheri (Egyptian) and Ignaz Seidl-Hohenveldern (Austrian).
   - May 8, 1984—The ad hoc Committee holds its first meeting in Geneva.
   - May 23, 1984—The ad hoc Committee holds a preliminary session in Geneva in the presence of the parties.

(3) Société Ouest Africaine des Bétons Industriels (SOABI) v. the State of Senegal (Case ARB/82/1)
   - December 2, 1983—The Chairman of the Administrative Council appoints Mr. Aron Broches (Netherlands) as arbitrator and President of the Tribunal, in replacement of Professor Rudolf Bindschedler (Swiss) who resigned.
   - January 21, 1984—The Tribunal meets in The Hague with the parties for a preliminary consultation on procedure.
   - May 16-17, 1984—The Tribunal meets in Paris.
(4) Swiss Aluminium Limited (ALUSUISSE) S.A. and Icelandic Aluminium Company Limited (ISAL) v. the Government of Iceland (Case ARB/83/1)

October 3, 1983—Claimants inform the Secretary-General of an agreement between the parties to suspend proceedings pursuant to Arbitration Rule 45.

(5) The Liberian Eastern Timber Corporation (LETCO) v. the Government of the Republic of Liberia (Case ARB/83/2)

November 15, 1983—The Tribunal is constituted. Its members are: Messrs. Bernardo Cremades (Spanish), President, appointed by the Chairman of the Administrative Council, Frank Church (U.S.) appointed by the Claimant and D.A. Redfern (British), appointed by the Respondent.

March 1, 1984—Following the resignation of Mr. Frank Church, Claimants appoint Mr. Jorge G. Pereira (Portuguese) who accepts the nomination.

May 21, 1984—The Tribunal holds a preliminary session on procedure in Washington, D.C.

B Conciliation Proceedings

Tesoro Petroleum Corporation v. the Government of Trinidad and Tobago (Case CONC/83/1)

December 16, 1983—The parties agree to appoint Lord Wilberforce (British) as sole conciliator.

January 6, 1984—The Secretary-General informs the parties that Lord Wilberforce accepts the appointment.

March 9, 1984—Lord Wilberforce holds a preliminary procedural consultation in London.

Increase of Disputes Submitted to ICSID

To date 18 cases have been submitted to ICSID, out of which 16 were requests for arbitration proceedings, and two for conciliation proceedings. These figures should, however, be seen in the light of the following:

- Since its establishment in 1965 until 1981, nine cases were submitted to ICSID. All related to arbitration proceedings.
- Since the beginning of 1981, nine new cases (seven regarding arbitration proceedings and two regarding conciliation proceedings) were submitted.

This marks a significant growth in the number of cases submitted to ICSID in recent years.

Statistical Data on Cases

With the exception of Gabon v. Société Serète (ARB/76/1, discontinued, see Annual Report 1980/1981, page 39), all requests for arbitration or conciliation have been introduced by investors.

Eight cases out of the 18 submitted to ICSID are still pending, whereas 11 have been terminated in the following manner:

- seven have been settled amicably (in one case the parties requested that the settlement agreement be included in an award), or discontinued;
- in four cases awards have been rendered:
  - two awards have rejected the principal claim of the investor as well as the counterclaims of the State party to the dispute. One of these awards is currently the subject of an annulment procedure (Klockner et al v. United Republic of Cameroon et al);
(ii) two awards have been rendered in favor of the investors (AGIP v. the Government of the People’s Republic of the Congo; Société Ltd. Benvenuti & Bonfant v. the Government of the People’s Republic of the Congo).

Only the award in the case of Benvenuti & Bonfant has given rise to some difficulties of enforcement. Nevertheless, following the recognition of the award by the Court of Appeal of Paris in 1981, the Société Benvenuti & Bonfant has informed the Centre that the People’s Republic of the Congo had given effect to the award in accordance with its terms.

The Subject-Matter of the Disputes

The subject-matter of the disputes submitted to the Centre reflects changes in the concept of investment in recent years. The disputes submitted to ICSID have included both traditional types of investment in the form of capital contributions and new types of investment, including service contracts and transfers of technology.

As examples of traditional types, one might mention cases relating to (i) the exploitation of natural resources, such as bauxite mining (Alcoa/Kaiser/Reynolds v. Jamaica), oil exploration and exploitation (AGIP v. Congo; Tesoro v. Trinidad and Tobago), forestry exploitation (LETCO v. Liberia); (ii) industrial investments regarding the production of fiber for exportation (Gardella v. Ivory Coast), or of plastic bottles for the domestic market (Benvenuti & Bonfant v. Congo), liquefaction of natural gas (Guadalpe v. Nigeria), and the production of aluminum (ALUSUISSE v. Iceland); (iii) tourism development through the construction of hotels (Holiday Inns v. Morocco, AMCO Asia v. Indonesia); and (iv) urban development in the form of housing construction (SOABI v. Senegal).

Modern types of investments include the construction of a chemical plant on a turn-key basis, coupled with a management contract providing technical assistance for the operation of the plant (Klockner v. Cameroon), a management contract for the operation of a cotton mill (SEDITEX v. Madagascar), a management contract for the conversion of fishing vessels and the training of crews (Atlantic Triton v. Guinea), and technical and licensing agreements for the manufacturing of weapons (Colt Industries v. Korea). In the same category, one might also mention a dispute, which is the only one brought by a State against an investor, relating to the breach of a contract for the construction of a maternity ward (Gabon v. Serête).

It should be noted that ICSID clauses in the archives of ICSID refer not only to investments in the classical sense but also to arrangements involving transfers of technology and know-how in such fields as industrial, agricultural or tourism development and in matters of air transportation and electronics.

The above remarks show that the absence of a clear definition of the notion of investment in the ICSID Convention, deplored by certain commentators, has, in effect, been a wise precaution. It permits the Convention to be adapted to changes in the form of cooperation between investors and host States and to respond to the needs of ICSID users.
Revision of the Regulations and Rules

Published Awards

Certain awards have been published, in each case without the Centre being involved in the divulging of such awards:


*Société Ltd. Benvenuti & Bonfant srl. v. the People's Republic of the Congo* (published in an English translation of the French original in 21 International Legal Materials 740 (with a corrigendum at page 1478 (1982)).

*AMCO Asia et al. v. the Republic of Indonesia* (Award on jurisdiction, published in 23 International Legal Materials 351 (1984)).

The second issue of "News from ICSID" Summer 1984 contains a summary of the legal rules on the application of the ICSID Convention as applied by the Arbitral Tribunal in the case of *AMCO Asia v. Indonesia* and *Klockner v. Cameroon*.

The bibliography published by ICSID (ICSID/13) makes reference to publications discussing awards rendered, including certain awards of which the full text has not yet been published.

Given the experience acquired in conciliation and arbitration proceedings, the Secretary-General deemed it timely to revise the Rules. The purpose of this revision is not to make major modifications to the Rules, but rather to simplify or clarify certain provisions and to allow for more flexibility in the handling of proceedings.

On April 30, 1984, the Secretary-General addressed to the members of the Administrative Council a note relating to the revision of the Regulations and Rules, to which was attached the text of the proposed modifications.
Pursuant to the Convention, each Contracting State may designate four persons to the Panel of Conciliators and four persons to the Panel of Arbitrators. Despite repeated appeals by the Secretariat, a third of the Contracting States have not made use of this prerogative.

Given the marked increase in the number of disputes submitted to ICSID, it is of particular importance that ICSID has lists as complete as possible in order to facilitate the selection of conciliators or arbitrators by the parties or, if and when needed, by the Chairman of the Administrative Council.

In December 1983, the Secretary-General addressed to Contracting States that had not yet made designations a letter underscoring the usefulness of such designations.

In February 1984, the Secretary-General transmitted to the Executive Directors of the World Bank a note requesting them to bring to the attention of the authorities of Contracting States the importance of designating to the Panels persons with qualifications required by the ICSID Convention.

As provided in the Convention, such persons "shall be of high moral character and recognized competence in the fields of law, commerce, industry or finance, who may be relied upon to exercise independent judgment".

In the course of this fiscal year, designations have been received by the Secretariat from the following Governments:

- **Egypt** - designations effective as of February 1, 1984:
  - Panel of Conciliators: Dr. Ahmed Sadek El Kosheri, Dr. Mahmoud Samir El-Sharkawy, Mr. Mahmoud Fahmy, and Dr. Ahmed Esmat Abdel Meguid.
  - Panel of Arbitrators: Dr. S.K.B. Asante (re-appointment), The Hon. Mr. Justice S.M. Boison, and Mr. C.F. Hayfron-Benjamin.

- **Ghana** - designations effective as of April 24, 1984:
  - Panel of Conciliators: Mr. J.S. Addo, Mr. J. Arthur (re-appointment), The Hon. Mr. Justice S.M. Boison, and Mr. C.F. Hayfron-Benjamin.
  - Panel of Arbitrators: Mr. G.E.K. Aikins, Dr. S.K.B. Asante (re-appointment), The Hon. Mr. Justice Osei Hwere, and Dr. Akilakpar Sawyer.

- **Israel** - designations effective as of March 7, 1984:
  - Panel of Conciliators: Mr. Moshe Sanbar, Mr. Avraham Friedman, and Mr. Yehuda Gill.
  - Panel of Arbitrators: Mr. Mayer Gabay, Mr. David Sassoon, and Mr. Haim J. Zadok.

- **Lesotho** - designations effective as of October 4, 1983:
  - Panel of Conciliators: Mr. S. Montsi, and Mr. P.T. Mafike.
  - Panels of Conciliators and of Arbitrators: Mr. T. Makeka, and The Hon. Mr. Justice B.K. Molai.

- **Netherlands** - designations effective as of March 14, 1984:
  - Panel of Conciliators: Prof. Dr. P. Kuin (re-appointment), Prof. Dr. J.R.M. van den Brink, and Mr. J. Zijlstra.
  - Panel of Arbitrators: Prof. Dr. P. Sanders (re-appointment), Mr. Y. Schooten, and Prof. Dr. J.C. Schultsz (re-appointment).
  - Panels of Conciliators and of Arbitrators: Prof. Dr. P. Lieftinck (re-appointment).
**Saudi Arabia** - designations effective as of March 9, 1984:
- Panels of Conciliators and of Arbitrators: Dr. Abdulaziz M. Al-Dukheil, Mr. Abdul Aziz Rashed Ibrahim Al-Rashed, and Dr. Mahsoun B. Jalal.

**Sierra Leone** - designations effective as of June 19, 1984:
- Panel of Conciliators: Mr. A. Awon-er-Renner, Mr. C.O.E. Cole, Mr. A.B. Gooding, and Mr. F. Tuboko-Metzger.
- Panel of Arbitrators: Dr. H.M. Joko-Smart, Mr. A.L.O. Metzger, Mr. N.D. Tejan-Cole, and Ms. Frances Wright.

**Yugoslavia** - designations effective as of March 28, 1984:
- Panels of Conciliators and of Arbitrators: Prof. Dr. Ksente Bogoev (re-appointment), Prof. Dr. Stojan Cigoj (re-appointment), Prof. Dr. Aleksander Goldstain (re-appointment), and Prof. Dr. Vladimir Jovanovic (re-appointment).

In accordance with the provisions of Article 13(2) of the Convention, the Chairman of the Administrative Council designated on February 14, 1984, Prof. Dr. I. Seidl-Hohenveldern (Austrian), and on April 24, 1984, Mr. Heribert Golsong (German), to serve on the Panel of Arbitrators.

The Panels of Conciliators and of Arbitrators previously included in the Annual Report are presently included in a separate publication (ICSID/10). In view of the relatively frequent changes in the composition of the panels, it appeared useful to issue this separate publication, which can be kept up-to-date as the need arises.

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**New ICSID activities**

**ICSID as Designating Authority**

In an increasing number of cases, the Secretary-General has accepted to become the designating authority in the framework of ad hoc arbitration clauses.

This is the case in respect to a number of clauses in financial agreements in the Eurocredit market and regarding a Latin-American country.

Another example is the following: the Secretary-General was informed in January 1984 that the Province of British Columbia and the City of Seattle intended to conclude an agreement affecting dams on the Skagit and Pend Oreille Rivers near the international boundary between Canada and the United States, and providing hydroelectric power by the Province to the City. This agreement was executed on March 30, 1984, and a treaty between the United States and Canada formalizing the agreement was signed on April 2, 1984.

The agreement provides for the settlement of disputes by an arbitral tribunal composed of three arbitrators and designates the Secretary-General of ICSID as the appointing authority in the event that one party does not appoint an arbitrator or that the two arbitrators appointed by the parties cannot agree on the choice of the presiding arbitrator. On January 20, 1984, the Secretary-General accepted to serve as appointing authority.

In a case involving the Tunisian Government and a French contractor, the Secretary-General has acted as designating authority.

In order to bring some uniformity in the provisions concerning the role of the Secretary-General as designating authority, the following model clause has been prepared. It assumes that the parties have agreed upon submitting disputes to a tribunal composed of three arbitrators. The
clause could be adapted to situations in which the parties would wish to provide for the appointment of a sole arbitrator or for that of a tribunal including more than three arbitrators.

"If any of the arbitrators shall not have been appointed within [state the time limit], either party may request in writing the Secretary-General of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes to appoint the arbitrators not yet appointed [and to designate an arbitrator to be the president of the arbitral tribunal]. The Secretary-General shall forthwith send a copy of that request to the other party. The Secretary-General shall comply with the request within 30 days after its receipt [or such longer period as the parties may agree]. The Secretary-General shall promptly notify the parties of any appointment [or designation] made by him. [Arbitrators appointed by the Secretary-General shall be chosen from countries other than those of which the parties are nationals.]

In contrast with other arbitration institutions, services rendered by the ICSID Secretariat in ad hoc designations are free of charge.

**ICSID and Multipartite Arbitration**

Due to the complexities of contemporary transnational contracts, it may happen that disputes which involve different parties are the object of separate proceedings even though the issues involved bear a close relationship to one another. This problem arises not only in regard to commercial transactions, but also in contractual arrangements relating to investments and in the carrying out of large economic development projects.

It was unavoidable that the problem would arise in the context of ICSID arbitration. In some cases, the problem has been solved by means of appropriate arrangements concluded by the parties. Failing such arrangements, ad hoc solutions have to be considered. In this connection, reference may be made to three parallel proceedings instituted against Jamaica by Alcoa Minerals of Jamaica, Kaiser Bauxite Co., and Reynolds Jamaica Mines Ltd. and Reynolds Metals Co. The proceedings were instituted pursuant to ICSID arbitration clauses stipulated in each individual agreement between the claimants and Jamaica. The nature of the disputes was identical: it concerned the imposition of new taxes by Jamaica contrary to stabilization clauses in the agreements.

In these cases, the claimants appointed the same person as arbitrator. Jamaica having failed to appoint an arbitrator, the claimants requested the Chairman of ICSID's Administrative Council to appoint, for each proceeding, two arbitrators and to designate one of them as President of each
tribunal. The Chairman made the necessary appointments and selected for the purpose the same two persons to serve on each tribunal.

On July 5-6, 1975, the three arbitrators considered each dispute and held in respect of each of them that the dispute fell within their "competence". The disputes were subsequently settled amicably (See Annual Report 1980/1981 pp. 34-39).

More recently, new situations have been submitted to ICSID. These include cases in which investment agreements containing an ICSID arbitration clause are intimately related to other arrangements, such as supply or sales contracts, which fall outside the scope of the ICSID Convention. In cases such as these, the Secretariat has suggested to the parties that they provide in the relevant arrangements for ad hoc arbitration incorporating, to the extent necessary, the ICSID rules and designating the Secretary-General as appointing authority.

It is quite clear that awards rendered under such arrangements could not be considered "ICSID awards". Nevertheless, this contractual machinery may have considerable advantages in coordinating the ICSID and the non-ICSID proceedings, particularly if both are administered by the same arbitrators.

**ICSID and Fact-Finding Proceedings**

The Secretary-General has acted as nominating authority for the nomination of an expert in a dispute of a technical nature between a Contracting State and a national of another Contracting State.

The fact-finding procedure provided for in the Additional Facility features in provisions included in investment treaties concluded by the United States with Panama and Senegal and by the United Kingdom with Belize and St. Lucia.
**Promotional Activities**

**Washington, D.C. Conference**

On November 18, 1983, the Centre hosted a conference at The World Bank headquarters organized by ICSID, the American Arbitration Association and the International Chamber of Commerce. The subject of the conference was the settlement of commercial and investment disputes. A summary of the conference activities appears in the first issue of a new ICSID publication entitled "News from ICSID".

The conference was a success and the three institutions decided to organize another joint conference in Washington in November 1984 on the subject of the law of international commercial and investment arbitration.

**Sao Paulo Seminar**

On April 6, 1984, the Secretary-General, accompanied by Mr. Delaume, Senior Legal Adviser, participated in a seminar held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, organized with the assistance of the UNDP Representative in Brazil and the research centre of the Sao Paulo Bar Association. The objective of the seminar was to familiarize Brazilian lawyers with the advantages and features of ICSID.

During the seminar, the Secretary-General stressed that adherence to the ICSID Convention is not necessarily incompatible with the Calvo doctrine and the notion of sovereignty. It may be recalled that, pursuant to the provisions of the Convention, diplomatic protection by the investor's State is excluded from the date on which parties agree to submit their dispute to ICSID up until the enforcement of the award. The Secretary-General also mentioned that, according to the Convention, a State may consent to ICSID arbitration subject to the exhaustion of local remedies. In the specific case of Brazil, the Secretary-General recalled that Brazil not only attempts to attract foreign investors but is also itself a source of foreign investments and may, for both these reasons, take advantage of ICSID.

The discussion following this presentation and a summary of certain issues concerning the effectiveness of the Convention by Mr. Delaume have shown the participants' familiarity with ICSID and its activities. This is the first ICSID promotional activity by the Secretariat in a non-member State. The reception received in Brazil has proven that this approach was worthwhile and needed to be pursued.

**Other Conferences**

The Secretariat was represented in different conferences such as the ones held: (i) in New Delhi by the African-Asian Legal Consultative Committee on the preparation of model investment treaties (January 30–February 1, 1984); (ii) in New Delhi by said Committee and UNCTAD on international arbitration (March 12–14, 1984); and (iii) in Lausanne, by the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (May 9–12, 1984).
Relations with Member States

Apart from the correspondence referred to in regard to designations to the Panels of Conciliators and of Arbitrators, the Secretary-General addressed, in March 1984, a series of letters to Member States. The purpose of said letters was to request from each Member State information on the use it makes of ICSID, either in particular investment provisions, or in national legislation or bilateral agreements relating to investment promotion and protection.

It may be recalled that ICSID users have no obligation to inform the Secretariat of ICSID of the clauses which they stipulate in regard to investments. The Secretariat has succeeded in collecting in its archives about 300 ICSID clauses. There exist, no doubt, a great deal more. In fact, in several cases submitted to ICSID, the existence of the clause utilized by the parties was not known to the Secretariat before the registration of the request.

It is in the interest of the Member States to cooperate with the Secretariat with a view to increasing the documentation available to it. This information will be noted in its publications or in replies to requests from potential investors.

“News from ICSID”

A new publication by ICSID was started this year, entitled “News from ICSID”. Its primary objective is to provide to Member States, to potential investors, and to the public at large current information on ICSID’s activities as well as a short summary of certain questions related to such activities, such as the drafting of ICSID clauses, the negotiation of bilateral investment treaties or the role of national tribunals in the recognition and enforcement of ICSID awards.

Other Activities

During the past fiscal year, the Secretariat has contributed a number of articles to law reviews and professional publications. These are mentioned in “News from ICSID” and in the bibliography published by ICSID.

In addition to the assistance rendered by The World Bank to the International Development Law Institute (IDLI), established in Rome, whose objective is to assist in the training of lawyers from developing countries, ICSID has participated in the activities of IDLI through a session devoted to the settlement of disputes in state contracts.
Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Administrative Council


In the course of the meeting, the Council approved the Seventeenth Annual Report on the activities of ICSID and the budget for the fiscal year 1984.

The Council also decided to temporarily continue the Additional Facility and to determine at its 1984 Annual Meeting either to maintain the Additional Facility or to terminate it for the future.

On the basis of a proposal by Mr. Clausen, the Council elected unanimously Mr. Ibrahim F.I. Shihata, Vice President and General Counsel of The World Bank, as Secretary-General for a term of six years.

Additional Facility

On April 30, 1984, the Secretary-General addressed to the members of the Administrative Council a report recommending that the Additional Facility be maintained.

Finance

The Financial Statements of ICSID for the fiscal year 1984 are set forth in Annex 3. The expenditures of ICSID were, again, entirely covered by The World Bank pursuant to the Memorandum of Administrative Arrangements concluded between The World Bank and ICSID in February 1967, and by income from the sale of publications. It was, therefore, not necessary to assess any excess expenditures to Contracting States pursuant to Article 17 of the Convention.

ICSID expenditures relating to pending conciliation and arbitration proceedings are borne by the parties in accordance with ICSID's Administrative and Financial Regulations.
# Annex 1

## List of Contracting States and Signatories of the Convention

(As of June 30, 1984)

The 90 States listed below have signed the Convention on the dates indicated. The names of the 86 States that have deposited instruments of ratification are in bold face, and the dates of such deposit and of the attainment of the status of Contracting State by the entry into force of the Convention for each of them are also indicated.

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<td>Nov. 18, 1965</td>
<td>Mar. 29, 1971</td>
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1The Convention was signed on behalf of the Republic of China on January 13, 1966, and ratified on December 19, 1966. At its Fourteenth Annual Meeting on October 2, 1980 the Administrative Council considered a communication received from the People's Republic of China (PRC), stating that the Republic of China be removed from the list of Contracting States and notified the Council of the possibility of becoming a party to the Convention. China is now a Contracting State.

2Denmark excluded by a ratification received on May 15, 1966, the Faroe Islands, on a notification received on October 30, 1965. Denmark extended the application of the Convention to the Faroe Islands as of January 1, 1969.

3Germany declared, on making its instrument of ratification, that the Convention would apply to the Land Berlin.
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<td>Sudan</td>
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*Until Mauritania attained its independence on March 12, 1968, it was covered by the ratification of the United Kingdom.

*On depositing its instrument of ratification, the Netherlands restricted the application of the Convention to the Kingdom in Europe by a notification received on May 22, 1970; the Netherlands withdraw that restriction and thus extended the application of the Convention to Somaliland and the Netherlands Antilles. Somaliland having attained independence on November 26, 1970, the Convention ceased to be applicable to Somaliland as of that date.

*On depositing its instrument of ratification, New Zealand, pursuant to Article 24 of the Convention, excluded from its coverage the Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau.

*Until St. Lucia attained its independence on February 23, 1979, it was covered by the ratification of the United Kingdom.

*Until Swaziland attained its independence on September 6, 1968, it was covered by the ratification of the United Kingdom.

*The United Kingdom, pursuant to Article 20 of the Convention, excluded from its coverage the following territories for whose international relations it is responsible: Jersey, Isle of Man, British Indian Ocean Territory, British Antarctic Territory, Sovereign Base Areas of Cyprus. By notifications received on June 17, 1973, and November 17, 1983, respectively, the United Kingdom extended the application of the Convention to Jersey as of July 1, 1979, and to the Isle of Man as of November 1, 1983.
Annex 2

Resolutions of the Administrative Council

The following resolutions were adopted by the Administrative Council at its Seventeenth Annual Meeting on September 29, 1983.

**AC(17)/RES/52 - Approval of the Annual Report**

The Administrative Council
RESOLVES
To approve the Seventeenth Annual Report on the Operation of the Centre as set forth in the attachment to Document AC/83/5.

**AC(17)/RES/53 - Adoption of Budget for Fiscal Year 1984**

The Administrative Council
RESOLVES
To adopt, for the period July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984, the budget set forth in paragraph 2 of Document AC/83/1.

**AC(17)/RES/54 - Additional Facility**

The Administrative Council
Considering the Report of the Secretary-General on the first five years of operation of the Additional Facility set out in Doc. AC/83/3 dated July 27, 1983
RESOLVES
To decide at the 1984 Meeting of the Administrative Council whether to continue the Additional Facility or to terminate it for the future.

**AC(17)/RES/55 - Election of the Secretary-General**

The Administrative Council
RESOLVES
(a) that Mr. Golsong's resignation, for personal reasons, as Secretary-General be accepted, effective at the close of business on September 30, 1983;
(b) that the Council wishes to express its deep appreciation to Mr. Golsong for the excellent services rendered to IC-SID in his capacity as Secretary-General;
(c) that Mr. Ibrahim F.I. Shihata be elected to the post of Secretary-General for a full term of six years, that is, from October 1, 1983 until the close of the 1989 Annual Meeting of the Administrative Council of the Centre;
(d) that he be permitted to continue his employment by the World Bank Group;
(e) that while so employed he receive no remuneration from the Centre.
Annex 3

Report and Financial Statements

Expressed in United States dollars

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<td>Disbursements by Centre for fees and expenses for arbitration proceedings</td>
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<td>Cash in bank</td>
<td>$ 201,191</td>
<td>$ 59,504</td>
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<td>Advances from parties to arbitration</td>
<td>$ (195,687)</td>
<td>$ (57,668)</td>
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<td>proceedings and Payable to International Bank for Reconstruction and Development</td>
<td>$ (5,504)</td>
<td>$ (1,836)</td>
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<td>$ 0</td>
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Note to Financial Statements
June 30, 1984 and June 30, 1983

The Memorandum of Administrative Arrangements between the Centre and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) which became effective as of October 14, 1966, provides, that, except to the extent that the Centre may be reimbursed by the parties to proceedings for fees and expenses of members of Conciliation Commissions, Arbitral Tribunals or Committees of Arbitrators, the Bank shall provide the following services and facilities to the Centre:

1. the services of staff members and consultants; and
2. other administrative services and facilities, such as travel, communications, office accommodations, furniture, equipment, supplies and printing.

The Centre does not have resources of its own. The reported expenditures on behalf of the Centre represent the value of the services provided by the Bank and include only those amounts identified by the Bank as being directly related to the Centre, and, accordingly, do not include any indirect or overhead costs of the Bank. The reported contributions of $242,191 and $246,929 in 1984 and 1983, respectively, are equal to the value of services provided by the Bank, less reimbursements by the Centre from its sale of publications and registration fees. The expenditures made on behalf of the Centre by the Bank are shown below:

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<td>Staff personal services</td>
<td>$181,368</td>
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<td>Travel</td>
<td>18,973</td>
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<td>Contractual services, including printing, promotional activities, research, and miscellaneous</td>
<td>45,402</td>
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<td>Administrative services and facilities</td>
<td>3,018</td>
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<td><strong>$248,761</strong></td>
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| Less: Reimbursements by Centre from sale of publications and registration fees | $6,570 | $12,000 |
| Total | **$242,191** | **$246,929** |

The Centre's expenses which are attributable to arbitration proceedings are borne by the parties in accordance with the Centre's Administrative and Financial Regulations. In accordance with these Regulations, the Secretary-General calls on the parties to make advance deposits with the Centre from time to time to defray these expenses. The cash balances reflected in the statement of composition of fund balance represent advances from parties to proceedings and amounts due to the Bank.
Report of Independent Accountants

1801 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006
July 25, 1984

To International Centre for Settlement
of Investment Disputes
Washington, D.C., 20433

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of composition of fund balance and the related statement of changes in fund balance present fairly the composition of fund balance of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes for the years ended June 30, 1984 and 1983, and the changes in fund balance for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year and in accordance with the Administrative Arrangements between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes, as discussed in the Note to the accompanying statements. Our examinations of these statements were made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Price Waterhouse
## Annex 4

### Publications of ICSID

Legislative History of the Convention on the Settlement of Investment Disputes Between States and Nationals of Other States (4 Volumes)

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### Publications regarding national legislation and bilateral investment treaties

#### National Legislation

The Centre has for several years been publishing a collection of national investment legislations. This collection, entitled "Investment Laws of the World", consists of 10 loose-leaf volumes. Updates are made periodically, as the need arises, for each country (at present 64).

#### Bilateral Treaties

In 1983, the Centre published a collection of bilateral investment promotion and protection treaties, including about 200 treaties concluded since 1960. This collection is now kept in two loose-leaf volumes. An up-date is being prepared. The two publications may be obtained from Oceana Publications, Inc., Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. 10522 (United States).
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