the Assembly unless the Assembly, by a majority of the members present and voting, decides in favour of reconsideration. Permission to speak on a motion to reconsider shall be accorded only to the mover and one other supporter and to two speakers opposing the motion, after which it shall be put immediately to the vote.

### Rule 54

For the approval of the appointment of the Secretary-General, the Assembly shall vote by secret ballot in private meeting.

#### AMENDMENTS OF RULES OF PROCEDURE

#### Rule 55

These rules of procedure may be amended by a decision of the Assembly taken by a majority of the members present and voting.

#### OVERRIDING AUTHORITY OF THE CONVENTION

## Rule 56

In the event of any conflict between any provision of these rules and any provision of the Convention, the Convention shall prevail.

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# Resolution A.28 (II)

PARTICIPATION IN THE UNITED NATIONS
EXPANDED PROGRAMME OF
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Assembly,

Taking note of Article 16 of the Convention concerning the functions of the Assembly,

Noting further Article 27 of the Convention concerning performance by the Council of all functions of the Assembly between sessions of that body,

Recalling its Resolution A.7 B (I) which recognized the desirability of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization being kept informed of those technical assistance activities in the maritime field which the United Nations may undertake under its 'United Nations Programmes of Technical Co-operation',

Notes with satisfaction that the arrangement agreed to between the Secretary-General of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization and the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board has worked satisfactorily,

Requests the Secretary-General of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization

- (i) to inform the appropriate authorities of the United Nations that the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization is now in a position to provide, within the scope of Article 1 of the Convention, advice and guidance to those authorities on technical matters affecting shipping engaged in international trade, and
- (ii) to request such authorities to arrange that all appropriate applications on which the advice of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization would be useful should be referred to the Organization at as early a stage as possible in their consideration.

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## Resolution A.29 (II)

FACILITATION OF TRAVEL AND TRANSPORT

The Assembly,

Recalling Article 16 of the Convention regarding the functions of the Assembly,

Taking note of Article IV of the Agreement on Relationship between the United Nations and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization,

Noting further the provisions of Article 27 of the Convention whereby the Council performs all the functions of the Organization between sessions of the Assembly,

Noting in addition Resolution 724 B (XXVIII) adopted on 17 July 1959 by the Economic and Social Council on the facilitation of international travel and transport,

Having examined the Report of the Council on this subject,

Moreover, recognizing the necessity, stressed by the Council, of simplifying and reducing the number of documents required of ships entering or leaving port,

Recognizing in addition that the Organization should not neglect the problem of the transport of goods, which is of even greater importance to the merchant fleets of the world than the carriage of passengers,

Noting that this aspect is not covered by the Resolution of the Economic and Social Council.

Considering that the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization's action should be confined to the regulations of governments or public authorities in regard to ships entering and leaving port, or to those documents, varying both in number and character, which are consequently required to be presented at various ports,