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SIXTH COMMITTEEGENOCIDE - DRAFT CONVENTION AND REPORT OF  
THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCILText of articles I to VI as adopted by the Sixth Committee  
(up to 9 November 1948)Article I

The High Contracting Parties confirm that genocide is a crime under international law, whether committed in time of peace or of war, which they undertake to prevent and to punish.

Article II

In this Convention genocide means any of the following acts committed with the intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial, religious or political group, as such:

- (1) Killing members of the group;
- (2) Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group;
- (3) The deliberate infliction of conditions of life for such groups as are calculated to bring about their physical destruction in whole or in part;
- (4) Imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group;
- (5) Forced transfer of children to another human group.

Article III

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Article IV

The following acts shall be punishable:

- (a) Genocide as defined in article II;
- (b) Conspiracy to commit genocide;
- (c) Direct and public incitement to commit genocide;
- (d) Attempt to commit genocide;
- (e) Complicity in any act of genocide.

Article V

Those committing genocide or any of the other acts enumerated in article IV shall be punished, whether they are constitutionally responsible

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responsible rulers, public officials or private individuals.

Article VI

The High Contracting Parties undertake to enact, in accordance with their respective Constitutions, the necessary legislation to give effect to the provisions of this Convention, and in particular, to provide effective penalties for the authors of the crimes mentioned in **article IV**.

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