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On May 10, 1953, the Council of the League of Arab States adopted a resolution (577 XVIII) for the establishment of an Information Office in the United States to represent all of the member states of the League in the fields of general information and mass communication.

At the time of the adoption of the resolution the State members of the League were: Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Syria and Yemen.

By the establishment of the Arab Information Center in New York on March 22, 1955, which was registered under the Foreign Agent Registration Act of 1938 on March 3, 1955, and received the Registration No. 876, the League Council Resolution (577 XVIII) came into effect.

The representation of the Arab States in the League was augmented since 1953; on January 19, 1956 (Resolution 1107 XXIV) the Republic of Sudan was admitted, followed, on October 1, 1958, by the Kingdom of Morocco and the Republic of Tunisia, (Resolutions 1496-1497 XXX).

On February 21st, 1958 the Republics of Egypt and Syria declared their merger into the United Arab Republic which took a seat as a member of the League of Arab States.

The Council of the League of Arab States re-indicated its sponsorship of the Arab Information Center in New York and its branch offices by the resolution of March 3, 1959, which consists of the organization of the Information Activities of the Arab States throughout the world, (Resolution 1570 XXXI).

The Arab Information Center now represents all member States of the League: Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, the United Arab Republic, and Yemen.

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