

SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

OBSERVATIONS BY THE DELEGATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO
DOCUMENT E/CONF.2/4/Rev.1

The Czechoslovak delegation wishes to make the following observation on document C.2/4/Rev.1:

1. As to Czechoslovakia, the figures for 1938 and 1946 are in no way representative, because in 1938, since May, Czechoslovakia had her armed forces mobilized and a great part of railway connections were cut; at the end of 1938 already very important parts of Czechoslovakia were occupied by the Germans and later by the Hungarians. As to 1946, the country was still suffering from the consequences of the war and its transport was only partly re-established.
2. Generally the Czechoslovak delegation would like to point out that, in its opinion, national income may have very little importance for the accomplishment of the purposes of the Charter as a whole, because it could be stressed on the contrary, that accumulated wealth in some countries is an obstacle to the attainment of the purposes of the Charter in other countries and that under-development and low income may be a decisive factor for the operation of the provisions of the Charter and only if this situation ceases to exist, the Charter can fully take effect.
3. On the other hand, the dispersion of foreign trade of each country, which shows how far each country is interested in multilateral foreign trade based on the principles of the Charter, may be important.
