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REPORT OF DRAFTING SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED
3 DECEMBER 1947

1. The Drafting Sub-Committee was established at the meeting of the Committee to consider

- (a) the interpretative footnotes to the Articles, and
- (b) the Preamble to Article 54.

The Sub-Committee has held two meetings and completed the work assigned to it. Mr. R. B. SCHWENGER (United States) was elected Chairman.

2. Explanatory Note to Article 54 (e)

It was decided to submit to the Fifth Committee the following draft of sub-paragraph (e), which would incorporate the sense of the footnote in the text:

"(e) to provide for the expansion of the production of a primary commodity where this can be accomplished with advantage to consumers and producers, including in appropriate cases the distribution of basic foods at special prices."

The representative of the F.A.O. participated in the discussion of the Sub-Committee and expressed agreement with this draft.

3. Explanatory Note to Article 60

The delegate of Cuba participated in the discussion of the action to be taken on this footnote.

The Sub-Committee considered it inadvisable to make a recommendation regarding the status of this footnote, as the conclusion of a text for Article 54 (c) would necessarily influence the position of Article 60 (a) in regard to the term "reasonable price".

4. Preamble to Article 54

The Sub-Committee submits for consideration by the Committee the following text of the Preamble:

"The Members recognize that Inter-governmental Commodity Agreements are appropriate for the achievement of the following objectives:"

The delegate for Chile participated in the discussion of the item and agreed that this text should be submitted to the Committee.

5. The explanatory footnotes to Articles 52 and Article 60, sub-paragraph (b) were deleted in Committee and were not, therefore, before the Sub-Committee.
