

SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

SUB-COMMITTEE ON ARTICLE 75 (COMPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD)

NOTES ON THE ELEVENTH MEETING

Held 9 January 1948 at 10.30 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. JABBARA (Syria)

The Sub-Committee continued its consideration of paragraph 3 (a) of the United States draft.

Mr. COUILLARD (Canada) supported paragraph 3 (a) without amendment.

Mr. PARANAGUA (Brazil) stated that he would not support any plan at the present stage as he did not see how any of the formulae proposed would enable the election of a balanced Board.

Mr. SCARPATI (Argentina) agreed with the representative of Australia that a number of seats should not be specified in the paragraph under discussion. He would not commit himself to any formula at this stage but he considered the Australian draft as the best which had been propounded.

Mr. GAEDER (Pakistan) emphasized that he thought seats should be allotted under paragraph 3 (a) on the basis only of extent of international trade. He thought six seats should be allotted as a maximum. He supported the Australian proposal for the establishment of machinery of the type of a nominations committee.

Mr. FORTHOUME (Belgium) and Mr. KOJEVE (France) favoured paragraph 3 (a) without amendment.

Mr. KARMARKAR (India) supported specification of the number of eight but only on the understanding that after those states which were clearly of chief importance in international trade had been allotted seats, criteria other than chief importance in international trade would be taken into account in allotting the remainder of the seats.

Mr. ALAYZA (Peru) considered that some formula such as the Australian draft embodied following the principle of free elections should be adopted.

Mr. COLBAN (Norway) suggested that the word "the" should be deleted before the word "eight".

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