

SECOND SESSION OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE
UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND EMPLOYMENTChairman's Committee

(Heads of Delegations)

Summary Record of the Eleventh Meeting held on
Thursday, 10 July, 1947, at 10.30 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. Max Suetens (Belgium)

1. The Meeting was called to consider arrangements for the representation of the Preparatory Committee at the Fifth Session of the Economic and Social Council in connection with the Council's discussion of the Report of the Preparatory Committee. (E/PC/T/DEL/48).
2. Mr. E. COLBAN (Norway) considered it highly desirable that the Preparatory Committee should be represented at the meeting of the Economic and Social Council when the Committee's Report was discussed, and moved that the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee should assume responsibility for presenting the Committee's Report to the Council, in particular the Committee's unanimous recommendation that the World Conference be held on 21 November, 1947, in Havana if practicable.
3. Mr. J.R.C. HELMORE (United Kingdom) and Mr. S. MINOVSKY (Czechoslovakia) supported Mr. Colban's motion, and the Chairman agreed to undertake this mission in accordance with the Committee's unanimous expression of opinion.

Draft telegram to Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Affairs, United Nations, from the Preparatory Committee.
(E/PC/T/DEL/48)

4. Mr. P. BARADUC (France) suggested that the draft should be amended so as to indicate that the Preparatory Committee had unanimously requested the Chairman to represent it at the Economic and Social Council.

5. Mr. J.R.C. HENMORE (United Kingdom) suggested that the recommendation with respect to the date on which the Committee's Report was to be considered by the Council should be couched in stronger language and the reasons for ~~choosing the particular~~ date indicated.

6. Mr. E. WYNDHAM WHITE (Executive Secretary) explained that in suggesting a date towards the end of July, he had had two points in mind :

- (i) the Preparatory Committee would be approaching the end of Charter discussions by the end of July and this date would therefore be more suitable from the standpoint of the Committee's work;
- (ii) it seemed desirable, primarily for psychological reasons, that the Committee's recommendation that the World Conference be held on 21 November be considered in July rather than in a later month, due to the proximity of the November date.

7. The text of the draft telegram to the Assistant Secretary-General was agreed to as modified in accordance with the suggestions made by various members and the Executive Secretary.

8. The meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.