

SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

WORKING PARTY UPON THE QUESTION OF AN INTERIM COMMISSION FOR THE  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE ORGANIZATION

Note by the Executive Secretary

At the first meeting of the Working Party a request was made that the Working Party might be informed of the specific tasks which Committees and Sub-Committees of the Conference had already agreed to entrust to the Interim Commission if such a body were to be established. These tasks are as follows:

1. The tasks set out in Annex C to the Report of the Working Party of the Joint Sub-Committee of Committees Two and Six on the preamble to paragraph 1 and paragraph 1 (a) of the new Article 12 A proposed by the delegation of Colombia (document E/CONF.2/C.6/A/W.2). This annex contains the following draft resolution for adoption by the Conference:

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment, having considered the problem of the industrial and general economic development of the Members of the International Trade Organization; and

Having noted the related activities of other inter-governmental organizations and specialized agencies; and

Having determined that positive measures for the promotion of the economic development of Members are an essential condition for the realization of the purpose stated in Article 1 of the Charter of the International Trade Organization and to the accomplishment of the objectives therein set forth; and

Having regard to the provisions of Articles 10, 69 and 84 of the Charter,

Therefore resolves:

1. That the Interim Commission of the International Trade Organization is hereby directed to examine
  - (i) the powers, responsibilities and activities in the field of industrial and general economic development of the United Nations, of the specialized agencies and of other inter-governmental organizations, including regional /organizations;

organizations;

- (ii) the availability of facilities for technical surveys or studies of the natural resources of underdeveloped countries, or of the possibilities of their industrial development, whether general or of particular industries or for the improvement of their systems of transportation and communications, or with respect to the manner in which investment of foreign capital may contribute to their economic development;

and in the light of this examination to report to the Organization upon

- (i) the structure and administrative methods,
- (ii) the working relations with the United Nations, specialized agencies and other inter-governmental organizations including regional organizations which will enable the International Trade Organization most effectively to carry out its positive functions for the promotion of the economic development of Members.

2. That the report and recommendations of the Interim Commission\* shall be submitted in such a manner and at such a time as will enable the conference of the International Trade Organization to take appropriate action at its first session.

2. The study of the question of the seat of the Organization. The Sixth Committee, on first reading, agreed that "the Interim Commission should study with all possible speed the question of the seat of the Organization and make a recommendation upon this question to the First Session of the Conference."

3. To prepare the annex referred to in the draft of paragraph 3 of Article 87 (Status of the Organization in the Territory of Members) adopted by the Sixth Committee upon first reading. This annex would state the degree to which privileges and immunities to be accorded in connection with the Organization should differ from the privileges and immunities set out in the General Convention on Privileges and Immunities for Specialized Agencies.

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