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SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING

Held at Panama City on Friday, 15 May 1959, at 10.35 a.m.

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PRESENT:

<u>Acting Chairman:</u>	Mr. RAUL PREBISCH	Executive Secretary
<u>Chairman:</u>	Mr. ELETA	Panama
<u>Rapporteur :</u>	Mr. MARTY	Chile
<u>Members :</u>	Mr. MUSICH	Argentina
	Mr. HAUS SOLIZ	Bolivia
	Mr. GARRIDO TORRES	Brazil
	Mr. VALDIVIESO	Chile
	Mr. FRANCO	Colombia
	Mr. MORERA BATRES	Costa Rica
	Mr. BOTI	Cuba
	Mr. GINEBRA	Dominican Republic
	Mr. PITARQUE	Ecuador
	Mr. MORALES RODRIGUEZ	El Salvador
	Mr. GEORGES-PICOT	France
	Mr. RODRIGUEZ GENIS	Guatemala
	Mr. ORDOÑEZ	Honduras
	Mr. GARCIA REYNOSO	
	Mr. URQUIDI	Mexico
	Mr. van PHILLIPS	Netherlands
	Mr. CASTILLO	Nicaragua
	Mr. CARLES	Panama
	Mr. CHAMORRO	Paraguay
	Mr. PARDO HEEREN	Peru

/Mr. BRAIN

Mr. BRAIN	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Mr. KOTSCHNIG	United States of America
Mr. PONS	Uruguay
Mr. ACEVEDO	Venezuela

ALSO PRESENT:

Observers from States Members
of the United Nations not
Members of the Commission

Count BORCHGRAVE D'ALTENA	Belgium
Mr. HOKES	Czechoslovakia
Mr. HOLLAI	Hungary
Mr. BARBOSI	Italy
Mr. NINOMIYA	Japan
Mr. JELEN	Poland
Mr. SANCHEZ BELLA	Spain
Mr. BAZIKIN	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Mr. OSMAN	United Arab Republic

Observer from a State not a
Member of the United Nations,
attending in a consultative
capacity:

Mr. ENGELS	Federal Republic of Germany
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Representatives of
specialized agencies:

Mr. AQUINO	Food and Agriculture Organization
Mr. del CANTO	International Monetary Fund
Mr. SCHROEDER	World Meteorological Organization
Mr. PENNA	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Representative of the
International Atomic Energy
Agency:

Mr. GALAGAN

Representatives of inter-
governmental organizations:

Mr. de GERMAIN

European Coal and
Steel Community

Mr. FANIEL

European Economic
Community

Mr. ROYER

General Agreement on
Tariffs and Trade

Mr. GLOMER VALDIVIESO

Inter-American Economic
and Social Council

Mr. EPINAT

Inter-Governmental
Committee for
European Migration

Mr. LORALES

Organization of
American States

Secretariat:

Mr. de SEYNES

Under-Secretary for
Economic and Social
Affairs

Mr. HEURTEMATTE

Commissioner for
Technical Assistance

Mr. SANTA CRUZ

Secretary of the
Commission

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The ACTING CHAIRMAN declared open the eighth session of the Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA) and called for nominations for the office of Chairman.

Mr. MAYORRE (Venezuela) nominated Mr. ELETA (Panama).

Mr. PONS (Uruguay) and Mr. CHAMORRO (Paraguay) supported that nomination.

Mr. ELETA (Panama) was elected Chairman by acclamation.

Mr. ELETA (Panama) took the Chair.

The CHAIRMAN, after addressing the Commission,^{1/} called for nominations for the office of First Vice-Chairman.

Mr. MUSTICH (Argentina) nominated Mr. GARCIA REYNOSO (Mexico).

Mr. CASTILLO (Nicaragua) and Mr. GARRIDO TORRES (Brazil) supported the nomination.

Mr. GARCIA REYNOSO (Mexico) was elected First Vice-Chairman by acclamation.

Mr. URQUIDI (Mexico) thanked members of the Commission for the honour conferred on his country by the election of Mr. GARCIA REYNOSO, who would do everything within his power to ensure the success of the Commission's work.

Mr. GARRIDO TORRES (Brazil) nominated Mr. BOTI (Cuba) as Second
/Vice-Chairman

^{1/} The full text of this address has been circulated as Information Document No. 8.

Vice-Chairman.

Mr. PARDO HEEREN (Peru) supported that nomination.

Mr. BOTI (Cuba) was elected Second Vice-Chairman by acclamation.

Mr. BOTI (Cuba) expressed thanks for his election, which was an honour to his country.

Mr. HAUS SOLIS (Bolivia) nominated Mr. MARTY (Chile) as Rapporteur.

Mr. GARRIDO TORRES (Brazil) supported that nomination.

Mr. MARTY (Chile) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.

Mr. MARTY (Chile) acknowledged with thanks the honour conferred on him by his election as Rapporteur.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (E/CN.12/516/Rev.1 and Corr.1 and Add.1)

Mr. MAYOBRE (Venezuela) said that his delegation had no objection to the deletion from the provisional agenda for the session (E/CN.12/516/Rev.1 and Add.1) of the sub-item relating to problems of coffee production, since, according to the corrigendum (E/CN.12/516/Corr.1), some Governments had requested that deletion. However, he proposed that the Commission should nevertheless consider one of the background documents which had been listed for study under that sub-item, namely, the Progress report on the ECLA/FAO Coffee Survey (E/CN.12/512).

Mr. BOTI (Cuba) supported that proposal.

The Venezuelan proposal was adopted.

The agenda, as amended, was adopted.

ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. SANTA CRUZ (Secretary of the Commission) read to the Commission the secretariat's suggestion for the establishment of three Committees,

/as set

as set forth in Conference Room Paper No. 1.

The secretariat suggestion was adopted.

STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Mr. PREBISCH (Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Latin America) made a statement.^{1/}

Mr. MUSICH (Argentina) said he wished to speak merely to re-affirm formally that the four countries whose consultants on trade policy had met at Santiago in April and had drafted an agreement on a free-trade zone (E/CN.12/C.1/11/Add.1/Annex III) had in no way intended that such a zone should be confined to the four countries in question. On the contrary, they had intended their effort as a contribution towards the creation of a Latin American common market, and believed that any such agreement should be open to accession by all Latin American countries.

The meeting rose at 12.20 p.m.

^{1/} The full text of this statement has been issued as Information Document No. 9.