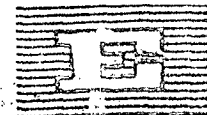


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PRESENT:**Chairman:**

Mr. MARTINEZ BAEZ Mexico (Chairman of
the fourth session
of ECLA)

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Mr. HASPERUE BECERRA Argentina

Rapporteur:

Mr. BOHAN United States of America

Members:

Mr. de OLANO Argentina

Mr. NAVAJAS MOGRO Bolivia

Mr. de ALMEIDA Brazil

Mr. VALDEZ RODRIGUEZ Cuba

Mr. RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ Chile

Mr. VITERI LAFRONTE Ecuador

Mr. GLOWER VALDIVIESO El Salvador

Mr. PHILIPSON France

Mr. GÓMEZ ROBLES Guatemala

Mr. JEANTY Haiti

Mr. CALIX MONCADA Honduras

Mr. AMADOR Mexico

Mr. NEWTON Netherlands

Mr. McCULLOUGH Panama

Mr. TAYLOR United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern
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Mr. LLUBERES PEÑA Dominican Republic

Mr. MacEACHEN Uruguay

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United Nations
Associations

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Standardization

Mr. du BOUCHET National Association of
Manufacturers (USA)

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Mr. PREBISCH Executive-Secretary,
ECLA

Mr. CASTILLO Assistant Executive-
Secretary, ECLA

Mr. PATIÑO Secretary of the
Committee

CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE

The CHAIRMAN asked Mr. HASPERUE BECERRA (Argentina) to assume the presidency of Committee 2.

Mr. Hasperue Becerra (Argentina) took the chair.

ELECTION OF THE RAPPORTEUR

The CHAIRMAN, after thanking the members of the Committee for the tribute paid to his country by electing him to the office of Chairman, asked the Committee to elect a Rapporteur.

Mr. de OLANO (Argentina) nominated Mr. MERWIN L. BOHAN (United States of America) as Rapporteur.

Mr. VALDEZ RODRIGUEZ (Cuba), Mr. MacEACHEN (Uruguay), Mr. AMADOR (Mexico), Mr. LLUBERES PEÑA (Dominican Republic), and Mr. TAYLOR (United Kingdom) warmly supported the nomination and Mr. RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ (Chile) proposed that the nominee should be elected by acclamation.

Mr. BOHAN (United States of America) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMITTEE'S WORK (Conference Room Paper No. 4)

Mr. VALDEZ RODRIGUEZ (Cuba) suggested that item 8 of the agenda entitled "Measures to increase the availability of supplies of educational, scientific and cultural materials" should be withdrawn from the Committee's agenda and referred to Committee 3, as the latter seemed to be better suited to deal with the matter in view of its functions.

/Mr. TAYLOR

Mr. TAYLOR (United Kingdom) and Mr. MACEACHEN (Uruguay) supported the proposal.

Mr. GOMEZ ROBLES (Guatemala) and Mr. de ALMEIDA (Brazil) wanted to know why the Secretariat had assigned the item to Committee 2 for study.

Mr. PREBISCH (Executive-Secretary) replied that the question had several aspects and that the most important concerned measures to facilitate imports of educational, scientific and cultural materials. For that reason, it had been assigned to Committee 2. It would however be advisable for another Committee to consider the other aspects of the question.

Mr. AMADOR (Mexico), supported by Mr. RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ (Chile), Mr. VALDEZ RODRIGUEZ (Cuba) and Mr. VITERI LAFRONTE (Ecuador), proposed that, in the circumstances, Committee 2 should deal with the question insofar as it concerned imports and that Committee 3 should examine its other aspects, particularly those relating to international cultural exchanges and co-ordination of the work of the various United Nations specialized agencies.

The CHAIRMAN suggested that item 8 should be divided into two parts, part (a) dealing with imports to be dealt with by Committee 2; and part (b) dealing with the other aspects of the question to be referred to Committee 3.

It was so decided.

/Mr. de OLANO

Mr. de OLANO (Argentina) proposed that item 15 of the Commission's agenda entitled "Traffic regulation on the Inter-American Highway" should be referred to Committee 2 and not to Committee 3 as the Secretariat had suggested.

In reply to Mr. RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ (Chile), Mr. PREBISCH (Executive-Secretary) said that the question might, like the preceding one, be taken in two parts: Committee 2 might study those aspects relating to goods traffic and Committee 3 might consider those relating to international passenger traffic.

It was so decided.

The CHAIRMAN, recalling that the Committee's agenda now included item 6, item 8, part (a) and item 15, part (a) of the Commission's agenda, asked the Committee to decide in what order the various items should be considered.

Mr. VALDEZ RODRIGUEZ (Cuba) found the order suggested by the Secretariat satisfactory.

Mr. MacEACHEN (Uruguay), referring to item 6 (foreign trade problems), suggested that the Committee should consider the fourth sub-item concerning the study of intra-regional trade, before the first sub-item, dealing with Latin American-European trade.

Mr. PREBISCH (Executive-Secretary) pointed out that the documentation assembled by the Secretariat on the fourth sub-item was still of a preliminary nature; the Secretariat therefore felt that the Committee should rather consider that sub-item last.

/Mr. de OLANO

Mr. de OLANO (Argentina), supported by Mr. MacEACHEN (Uruguay), Mr. de ALMEIDA (Brazil) and Mr. VITERI LAFRONTE (Ecuador), proposed that the Committee should maintain the order suggested by the Secretariat.

It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 12:15 p.m.

