FIRST COMMITTEE: EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

DRAFT REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE

1. The First Committee was responsible for the examination of the Geneva draft text of Chapter II on "Employment and Economic Activity", together with proposals submitted by Delegations relating to the subject matter of the Chapter.

2. Mr. J. J. DEDMAN (Australia) was elected Chairman. Mr. E. WAHRUM (Denmark) was elected Vice-Chairman.

3. The Committee held twelve meetings and succeeded in resolving all issues before it (E/CONF.2/C.1/SR.1-12). Mr. DEDMAN presided at the first ten meetings and Mr. WAHRUM at the last two meetings.

4. To facilitate its work the Committee established three sub-committees.

5. The First Sub-Committee was appointed to consider proposals relating to the article on "Fair Labour Standards" and consisted of the representatives of Argentina, Ceylon, China, Colombia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Turkey, Union of South Africa, United States of America and Uruguay. Dr. D. K. LIEU (China) was chairman of this sub-committee. The Sub-Committee's report is contained in E/CONF.2/C.1/9.

6. The Second Sub-Committee was appointed to examine proposals relating to the other articles of the Chapter and consisted of the representatives of Australia, Canada, France, India, Italy, Lebanon, Norway, Peru, Philippines, United Kingdom and the United States of America. M. Jean ROYER (France) served as chairman of the sub-committee. The report of the Sub-Committee is contained in E/CONF.2/C.1/10.

7. The Third Sub-Committee was set up to consider the draft resolution on employment which had been prepared by the First Session of the Preparatory Committee, together with any new proposals which might be submitted relating to this subject. This Sub-Committee consisted of the representatives of Australia, Belgium, Brazil, France, Italy, Lebanon, Mexico, Pakistan, Poland, El Salvador, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. Mr. J. H. G. PIERSON (United States) served as Chairman. The report of this Sub-Committee is given in E/CONF.2/C.1/17.

8. In the preparation of the text of the Chapter assigned to it, the First Committee has taken account of the suggestions put forward by the Central Drafting...

9. The reports of the Sub-Committees and of the Central Drafting Committee were accepted with the modifications indicated in the Summary Records of the First Committee. The text of Chapter II, as recommended unanimously by the First Committee for approval by the Conference, is attached to the present report (Annex 1). A summary list of the documents containing the proposals which were considered by the Committee in preparing the text of the Chapter is set forth in an attachment to this report (Annex 2).

10. The First Committee has already transmitted to the Conference, and a Plenary Session of the Conference has already acted upon, the text of a resolution to the Economic and Social Council relating to employment (see E/CONF.2/27 and E/CONF.2/SR.13).
ANNEX 1

TEXT OF CHAPTER II AS APPROVED BY THE FIRST COMMITTEE

(The text of the Chapter as approved at the eleventh and twelfth meetings of the Committee will be inserted here in the version of this report to be submitted to the Conference.)
ANNEX 2

IDENTIFYING DOCUMENT NUMBERS OF PROPOSALS SUBMITTED RELATING TO CHAPTER II - EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

Article 2
E/CONF.2/C.1/2
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.4 (Peru)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.18 (Italy)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.28 (Mexico)

Article 3
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.18 (Italy)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.28 (Mexico)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.4 (Philippines)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.7 (Norway)

Article 4 (Formerly Article 5)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.32 and E/CONF.2/C.1/7/Corr.1 (Peru)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.6 (Denmark)

Article 5 (Formerly Article 6)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.31 (Mexico)

Article 6 (Formerly Article 7)
E/CONF.2/C.1/7/Add.2 (Norway)
E/CONF.2/C.1/21 (Norway)

Article 7 (Formerly Article 4)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.3 (Argentina)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.4 (Peru)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.23 (Burma)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.26 (Mexico)
E/CONF.2/ll/Add.31 (Mexico)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.33 (Ceylon)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.1 (Haiti)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.2 (Uruguay)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.3 (Union of South Africa)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.4 (Philippines)
E/CONF.2/C.1/3/Add.5 (Colombia)
E/CONF.2/C.1/7/Add.1 (Consequential Amendment by the United States of America)
E/CONF.2/C.1/15/Add.1 (Belgium)