In its thirtieth meeting on 31 January 1948, Committee III established Working Party No. 1 consisting of the representatives of Afghanistan, Australia, Bolivia, Chile, China, Netherlands, United Kingdom and the United States to consider the advisability of adding an Interpretative Note to paragraph 9 of Article 32 or altering the text of the Article to take account of the proposal of the delegation of Chile concerning special facilities regarding transit which might be granted to land-locked countries by a neighbouring country.

In its meeting on 2 February, the Working Party elected Mr. C. E. MORTON (Australia) as its Chairman.

After a thorough discussion the Working Party agreed unanimously to recommend to Committee III that an Interpretative Note should be appended to paragraph 9 of Article 32 in the following terms:

"Paragraph 9

If as a result of negotiations for special facilities carried out in accordance with paragraph 9 with a country which has no direct access to the sea, a Member grants more ample facilities than those already provided for in other paragraphs of this Article, such special facilities may be limited to the land-locked country concerned unless the Organization finds, on the complaint of any other Member, that the withholding of the special facilities from the complaining Member contravenes the most-favoured-nation provisions of the Charter."