THIRD COMMITTEE: COMMERCIAL POLICY

SUB-COMMITTEE C ON GENERAL COMMERCIAL PROVISIONS
(ARTICLES 32 - 39)

NOTES ON FIFTH MEETING

Held on 31 December 1947, 4.00 p.m. in Room K

Chairman: Mr. C. E. MORTON (Australia)


New Paragraph

1. Items 8 and 9 - The Sub-Committee discussed the proposal of Costa Rica to limit the time during which transit facilities should be permitted for grazing livestock and the additional proposal of Afghanistan to exempt "seasonal nomads" from this limitation.

   In the opinion of the Sub-Committee the case of grazing livestock as described by the delegation of Costa Rica was not considered as coming within the ambit of this Article, therefore the Sub-Committee decided that there was no necessity to amend the Article to incorporate the proposal of Costa Rica, and consequently no need to include the proposal of Afghanistan.

Paragraph 5

2. Item 6 - The Sub-Committee adopted tentatively the proposal of the Working Party consisting of Czechoslovakia, Netherlands and United States which reads as follows:

   "(a) Delete in paragraph 3, line 3 from the end, the words 'for transportation or those'.
(b) Delete Note to paragraph 5 of the Geneva Draft.
(c) Add a new paragraph 8 as follows:

   8. Transportation charges on traffic in transit shall not be considered as falling within the purview of this Article but shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 18."

Should Sub-Committee A of Committee III decide to amend paragraph 2 of Article 18 (E/CONF.2/C.3/6 - Items 57 and 58), the Sub-Committee will again review Article 32 in the light of any such changes.