THIRD COMMITTEE: COMMERCIAL POLICY

SUB-COMMITTEE D (ARTICLES 40, 41 AND 43)

NOTES ON SEVENTH MEETING

Held on Thursday, 22 January at 3.00 p.m.

(Reference: E/CONF.2/C.3/11)

ARTICLE 40

1. Item 1 (Peru): The present text was maintained, the amendment receiving no support. The representative of Peru reserved the position of his delegation.

2. Item 3 (Italy): Acting on the recommendation of the Working Group consisting of the delegates of Italy and the United States, the Sub-Committee agreed unanimously to insert, in the sixth line of paragraph 1, between the words "such" and "increased" the word "relatively".

3. Item 4 (Denmark): Sub-paragraph 1 (b) was maintained, the proposal for its deletion finding no support.

4. Item 6 (Argentina): The proposal for deletion of the last part of sentence of sub-paragraph 3 (a) was not approved by the Sub-Committee, the delegate of Argentina recording a reservation.

5. New Item (United Kingdom): The Sub-Committee agreed with the purpose underlying the proposal and decided to adopt it in the form of an interpretative note to be attached to this Article. The formulation was made subject to approval alongside with the Report and, if necessary, to examination by the Central Drafting Committee.

6. ARTICLE 40A (Colombia): The Working Party consisting of the delegates of Colombia and the United States having presented its Report, it was decided to refer its first recommendation to the Sub-Committee dealing with Articles 16 - 19 for consideration in the context of Article 18, without expressing a view on the merits of the case.
ARTICLE 41

7. The second recommendation of the Working Party, namely to insert in the eighth line of Article 41, following upon "quantitative and exchange regulations", the words "internal price regulations" was unanimously adopted.

8. Item 8 (Afghanistan): It was decided to insert the words "practices and regulations affecting the freedom of transit" previously agreed upon (D/W/7) after the word "subsidies" in the eighth line.

ARTICLE 43

9. New Item (Sub-Committee I of Committee VI): It was decided to insert the new sub-paragraph concerning "public safety" previously agreed upon, after sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph I.

10. Item 26 (Argentina): The present text of sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph I was maintained, the proposal for the deletion of its last part finding no support. The representative of Argentina recorded a reservation.

11. Item 28 (Argentina): It was agreed to substitute "general inter-governmental" for the word "multilateral" in the fifth line of sub-paragraph II (a), the present text remaining otherwise unchanged.

12. Item 30 (Norway): It was provisionally agreed to retain the part of sentence the deletion of which was proposed, but to accept the principle that the precise date should not be laid down in the Charter, but should be left to the Organization to determine later. The precise formulation was deferred for discussion, together with the draft Report, at the final meeting of the Sub-Committee.