THIRD COMMITTEE: COMMERCIAL POLICY

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

NOTES ON EIGHTH MEETING

Held Wednesday, 28 January 1948

Chairman: Mr. R. J. SHACKLE (United Kingdom)


1. For the text of the footnote to Article 40, the principle of which had been agreed previously, a somewhat simplified version of Alternative B was adopted.

2. The last part of the final paragraph of Article 43, the amendment of which had in principle also been agreed previously, was replaced by Alternative 1 with some minor changes.

The Belgian delegate thought it was desirable to maintain a definite date. He would have preferred to leave the present text unchanged and to add a provision empowering the Organization to authorize the application of particular measures in respect of particular products after that date, if it should consider that circumstances then ruling warranted such measures. He did not, however, insist on this proposal.

The representative of the Argentine reserved the position of his delegation provisionally.

3. Points 1 to 9 of the Draft Report were approved without major change.

4. A new paragraph was approved giving the reasons which had prompted the Sub-Committee to insert the footnote to Article 40.

5. Paragraph 10 was approved without change.

6. Paragraph 11 was replaced by a slightly altered version.

7. Paragraphs 12 to 24 were approved without change.

8. In paragraph 25 a minor change was made. The delegate of Argentina recorded a reservation in respect of the proviso to sub-paragraph 1 (b) (1) of Article 43.

9. Paragraphs 26 and 27 were approved without change.
10. To paragraph 28 an addition was made stating the views of the representative of Belgium and recording a reservation by the delegate of Argentina in respect of the last part of paragraph 2 of Article 43.

11. The text of Articles 40, 41 and 43 was approved without further change.