SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FORTIETH MEETING

Held at the Capitol, Havana, Cuba, Tuesday, 16 March 1948 at 4.50 p.m.

Chairman: Mr. COLBAN (Norway)

AMENDMENT TO COMMENTS UPON ARTICLE 93 BY THE DELEGATION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM (Document E/CONF.2/C.6/103/Add.6)

Mr. MARTEN (United Kingdom) explained that Article 93 (2) (a) when taken in conjunction with the second sentence of sub-paragraph (b) of the section of the Report dealing with Article 93, would have the effect of forbidding the carrying on of certain normal trading practices with non-Members.

After a short discussion in which the representatives of the United States and Denmark suggested amendments to the United Kingdom text, the representative of Australia proposed the following form of words:

"The Committee further understands that the term 'benefits' as used in sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 2 of this Article does not refer to the quantities of any commodity involved in such an arrangement."

It was agreed that the Australian text would be circulated and given final consideration at the following meeting.

POINTS RAISED IN THE CENTRAL DRAFTING COMMITTEE

On the suggestion of Mr. KELLOG (United States), the Committee agreed that the word "may" should be substituted for "shall" in the last sentence of Article 75 (k). It also agreed that the expression "votes cast" should be changed to a reference to "Members present and voting" in Article 68 (h) and Article 74 (h).