SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

SUB-COMMITTEE ON ARTICLE 75

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FIRST MEETING

Held at the Capitol Building at 10.30 a.m. 19 December 1947

Chairman: Mr. JABBARA (Syria)

The Sub-Committee discussed at length the method by which it would go about its task.

Messrs. MACHADO (Cuba), FEIRANO (Argentina) and TANGE (Australia) considered that Alternative B should be taken as a basis of discussion.

Messrs. WUINZ-KING (China), VANER (Turkey), HOLLES (United Kingdom), FORTHOMME (Belgium) and STINEBOWER (United States) thought that no particular alternative or proposal should be taken as a basis of discussion but that a list of the issues to be decided should be formulated and those issues decided one by one.

The CHAIRMAN proposed that discussion should be commenced on the question of the size of the Executive Board and when this had been decided the method of electing the Board should be considered. It was agreed that this procedure should be followed.

Messrs. PARANAGUA (Brazil) and KOJEVE (France) considered that the Board should be composed of eighteen members.

Mr. MACHADO (Cuba) on a point of order stated that he considered discussion should be focussed upon the three alternatives prepared by the Preparatory Committee and the amendments thereto and proposals submitted by delegations. Alternative B, as the one favoured by a majority of the delegations in the Sixth Committee, should be given priority of examination.

After further discussion it was agreed that the Sub-Committee should work at its next meeting upon the basis of a synopsis of the various alternatives, amendments and proposals to be prepared and circulated by the Secretariat.