WHEREAS the Resolution of the Economic and Social Council on 18 February 1946 decided to call an International Conference on Trade and Employment for the purpose of promoting the expansion of production, exchange and consumption of goods, constituted this Committee to elaborate an annotated draft agenda, including a draft convention, for consideration by the Conference, and suggested that the agenda of this Committee include among its topics "International agreement relating to regulations, restrictions and discriminations affecting international trade", and "Establishment of an International Trade Organization"; and

WHEREAS the United States Government had invited the governments appointed by the Economic and Social Council as members of this Committee to meet to negotiate concrete arrangements for the relaxation of tariffs and trade barriers of all kinds and the invitation has been accepted by the governments attending the present session of the Preparatory Committee; and

WHEREAS the task of the Conference will be facilitated if concrete action is taken by the principal trading nations to enter into reciprocal and mutually advantageous negotiations directed to the substantial reduction of tariffs and to the elimination of preferences.

THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT HEREBY RECOMMENDS TO THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED that the meeting of members of the Preparatory Committee envisaged by the
invitations sent out by the United States Government should be held under the sponsorship of the Preparatory Committee in connection with, and as a part of, the Second Session of the Committee, conducted in accordance with the procedures recommended in the Memorandum on Procedures approved by the Preparatory Committee at its current Session AND INVITES the member governments to communicate to the Executive Secretary their views on this recommendation.