Article 72

Establishment

The Conference shall establish a Commission on Commercial Policy, a Commission on Business Practices and a Commodity Commission and may establish such other Commissions as may be required. Commissions shall be responsible to the Executive Board.

Article 73

Composition and Procedure

1. Commissions shall be composed of persons invited by the Executive Board and qualified by training or experience to carry out the functions of the Commissions in accordance with the purposes of the Organization.

2. The number of members of each Commission and the conditions of service of the members of each Commission shall be determined in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Conference.

3. Each Commission shall elect its Chairman and shall adopt its own rules of procedure, subject to approval by the Executive Board.

4. The Chairmen of Commissions shall be entitled to participate, without the right to vote, in the deliberations of the Executive Board and of the Conference.

5. As set forth more fully in paragraph 2 of Article 81, the Organization may make arrangements for representatives of other inter-governmental organizations having a special interest in the activities of any of the Commissions to participate in the work of such Commissions, pursuant to agreements.
agreements with these organizations.

Article 76
General Functions

The Commissions shall perform such functions as the Conference or the Executive Board may assign to them including such functions as the Executive Board may deem appropriate in connection with the settlement of disputes. The functions of the Commission on Commercial Policy, the Commission on Business Practices and the Commodity Commission shall include those specified in Articles 75, 76 and 77 respectively.

Article 78
Composition

1. The Secretariat shall consist of a Director-General and such staff as may be required.

2. The Director-General shall have authority to appoint such Deputy Directors-General as he deems necessary. Such appointments shall be made in accordance with regulations approved by the Conference.

Article 79
The Director-General

1. The Director-General shall be appointed by the Conference upon the recommendation of the Executive Board. His powers, duties, terms and conditions of office shall be in accordance with regulations approved by the Conference. He shall be the chief administrative officer of the Organization, subject to the general supervision of the Executive Board.

2. The Director-General or a deputy designated by him shall participate, without the right to vote, in all meetings of the Conference, of the Executive Board, of the Commissions and of the committees of the Organization. The Director-General may initiate proposals for the consideration of any organ of the Organization. He shall present through the Executive Board an annual report to the Conference on the work of the Organization and in consultation with the Executive Board prepare the annual budget for submission to the
to the Conference.

**Article 80**

**Employment of Staff**

1. The Director-General shall appoint the staff of the Secretariat and fix its duties and terms and conditions of service in accordance with regulations approved by the Conference. The paramount consideration in the employment of the staff and in the determination of its conditions of service shall be the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity, due regard being paid to the importance of recruitment on as wide a geographical basis as possible.

2. The conditions of service, such as the provisions governing qualifications, salary, tenure and retirement of members of the Secretariat shall be fixed, so far as practicable, in conformity with those for members of the Secretariat of the United Nations and of other specialized agencies.

**Article 81**

**Relations with other Organizations**

1. The Organization shall be brought into relationship with the United Nations, as soon as practicable as one of the specialized agencies referred to in Article 57 of the Charter of the United Nations. This relationship shall be effected through agreement with the United Nations under Article 63 of the Charter of the United Nations, which agreement shall be concluded by the Director-General and approved by the Conference. The agreement shall provide for effective co-operation between the two Organizations in the pursuit of their common purposes; and at the same time shall recognize the competence of the Organization within its jurisdiction as defined in this Charter. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 85, any changes in this Charter required under the agreement which do not involve new obligations by Members, shall be effective on approval of the agreement by the Conference.

2. The Organization shall co-operate with other inter-governmental...
organizations whose interests and activities are related to its purposes. Formal arrangements for co-operation with such organizations may be made by the Executive Board. Effective working relationships with such organizations, which may include the establishment of joint committees or provision for reciprocal representation at meetings or such other measures as may be necessary to assure effective co-operation, may be established by the Director-General.

3. The Organization may make suitable arrangements for consultation and co-operation with non-governmental organizations concerned with matters within its competence and may invite them to undertake specific tasks.

4. Whenever the Conference of the Organization and the competent authorities of any other international organization, whose purposes and functions lie within the competence of the Organization, deem it desirable to effect a transfer of its resources and functions to the Organization, to incorporate it into the Organization or to bring it under the supervision or authority of the Organization, the Director-General, subject to the approval of the Conference, may enter into mutually acceptable arrangements for this purpose. This Organization may acquire such resources and assume such functions of, or incorporate or exercise such control over, such other organizations as may be provided by any convention or agreement appropriate to the purpose. In accordance with their respective constitutional procedures, the Members shall take such steps as the Conference may determine to integrate such other international organizations into the structure of the Organization.

NOTES

1. Article 73, paragraph 5: The FAO Observer, stressing the importance of close working relations between ITO and FAO suggested inclusion of the following note in the report, and the Committee decided to record this suggestion in its final report as an observation of the FAO Observer:

"While this
"While this phraseology appears the most appropriate for covering all the specialized agencies, it is clear that there is one, namely FAO, which has specific responsibilities for products of farms, forests, and fisheries, some of which products may be, or may become subject to commodity arrangements. It is evident that the close co-operation and reciprocal representation which this special situation requires needs to be adequately provided for in the agreement negotiated between ITO and FAO.

"It may be noted that the Report of the FAO Preparatory Commission provides for ITO representation in the FAO Annual Programme Review and on the World Food Council."

2. Article 81, paragraph 1: The Delegate for Australia suggested to delete the words "by the Director-General and" in the second sentence of this paragraph and the Committee decided to include a note to this effect in its report.