There is circulated herewith the text of a cable dated 14 November 1946, from The Right Hon. S.M. Bruce, Chairman of the Preparatory Commission of the Food and Agriculture Organization, to Monsieur Suetens, Chairman of the Preparatory Committee of the International Trade Conference.
Washington, 14 November 1946

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As you are aware, part of the work of the ITO Preparatory Committee and FAO Preparatory Commission is similar, namely the consideration of international commodity policy. I understand that your Committee will shortly adjourn and a Drafting Committee reconvene in New York about January 20th. As my Commission will continue in session for some weeks yet I am making the following suggestion: I am suggesting to delegations of Governments represented both here and in London that they may care to suggest to their Governments to arrange for sending to Washington some of their London colleagues who have been most closely associated with the commodity policy discussion in order that our work may be effectively co-ordinated with what has been done in London. I wonder whether you would care to make a similar suggestion to your delegates in London to the effect that as soon as the conversations are finished their Governments might wish to transfer certain of the London delegates to reinforce the Washington discussions regarding commodity arrangements for agricultural products.

Bruce
Chairman, FAO Preparatory Commission.