SECOND SESSION OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

ARTICLE 69 (formerly Article 64)

VOTING

Alternative Drafts, proposed by the United States Delegation Implementing Annex B Document E/PC/T/143, 1 August 1947

ALTERNATIVE A

1. Each member shall have one vote in the Conference.
2. Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, decisions of the Conference shall be taken by a majority of the Members present and voting.

ALTERNATIVE B

1. Each Member shall have in the Conference the number of votes allocated to it in pursuance of the provisions of Annex ... to this Charter.
2. Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, decisions of the Conference shall be taken by a simple majority of the votes cast.

Annex referred to in paragraph 1 of Alternative B above

The number of votes allocated to each Member shall be calculated by a formula containing the following factors:

(a) 1 vote for every 10 million of population.
(b) 1 vote for every 50 million U.S. dollars of external trade.
(c) 1 vote for every 500 million U.S. dollars of national income.
(d) 1 vote for every 10% of the percentage of external trade to national income.
(e) 100 basic votes.
For the purposes of the initial allocation of votes the factors (b), (c) and (d) shall be calculated on the average of the last three pre-war calendar years in which the member was in a position to conduct normal trade and the full calendar year preceding the entry into force of the Charter.

The succeeding calculations of (b), (c) and (d) to be made at the time of the periodic review provided for in Article 72, paragraph 8, shall be based on the average of the three immediately preceding calendar years.

**ALTERNATIVE C**

1. Each Member shall have in Conference the number of votes allocated to it in pursuance of the provisions of Annex ...... to this Charter.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, decisions of the Conference shall be taken by a majority of the Members present and voting.

Annex referred to in paragraph 1 of Alternative C above.

The number of votes allocated to each Member shall be calculated by a formula containing the following factors:-

(a) 1 vote for every 50 million U.S. dollars of foreign trade,

(b) 1 vote for every 500 million U.S. dollars of national income,

(c) 1 vote for every 25 U.S. dollars of foreign trade per capita,

(d) 10 basic votes.
For the purposes of the initial allocation of votes the factors (a), (b) and (c) shall be calculated on the average of the last three pre-war calendar years in which the member was in a position to conduct normal trade and the full calendar year preceding the entry into force of the Charter.

The succeeding calculations of (a), (b) and (c) to be made at the time of the periodic review provided for in Article 72, paragraph 3, shall be based on the average of the three immediately preceding calendar years.