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**1st meeting of the Committee of the Whole**

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# SUMMARY RECORDS OF MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

## 1st meeting

Wednesday, 5 February 1975, at 6 p.m.

Chairman: Mr. NETTEL (Austria).

### Election of the Vice-Chairman of the Committee of the Whole

1. The CHAIRMAN called for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.
2. Mr. RITTER (Switzerland) nominated Mr. Wershof (Canada).
3. Mr. DO NASCIMENTO E SILVA (Brazil), Mr. JALICHANDRA (Thailand) and Mr. ELIAN (Romania) supported the nomination.

*Mr. Wershof (Canada) was elected Vice-Chairman by acclamation.*

### Election of the Rapporteur of the Committee of the Whole

4. The CHAIRMAN called for nominations for the office of Rapporteur of the Committee of the Whole.
5. Mr. MEISSNER (German Democratic Republic) nominated Mr. Klafkowski (Poland).
6. Mr. MARESCA (Italy), Mr. CALLE Y CALLE (Peru) on behalf of the Latin American Group, and Mr. MUSEUX (France) supported the nomination.

*Mr. Klafkowski (Poland) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.*

*The meeting rose at 6.20 p.m.*

## 2nd meeting

Thursday, 6 February 1975, at 10.55 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. NETTEL (Austria).

### Organization of work

1. The CHAIRMAN said that consultations had been held on the question whether the Committee should begin its consideration of the draft articles proposed by the International Law Commission (ILC) (see A/CONF.67/4) with article 1. As that provision dealt with the use of terms in the draft, some delegations had deemed it preferable to leave consideration of it until the substantive provisions had been studied; they thought that the discussion on the substantive questions might give rise to amendments to the definitions contained in article 1. In the view of some other delegations, article 1 was basic and should be considered before the other articles of the draft.

2. As a compromise, he proposed that consideration of the draft should begin with article 2, on the understanding that delegations could comment on article 1 during consideration of the substantive provisions and that the title of the convention would be established when the whole draft had been considered.

*It was so decided.*

**Consideration of the question of the representation of States in their relations with international organizations in accordance with resolutions 2966 (XXVII),**

**3072 (XXVIII) and 3247 (XXIX) adopted by the General Assembly on 14 December 1972, 30 November 1973 and 29 November 1974**

*Article 2 (Scope of the present articles) (A/CONF.67/4; A/CONF.67/C.1/L.1, L.2, L.7, L.8)*

3. Mr. DE YTURRIAGA (Spain), introducing the amendment submitted by his delegation to article 2 (A/CONF.67/C.1/L.2), said it would be a pity if the scope of the future convention were limited to international organizations of universal character and if the regional organizations were excluded from it. Many regional organizations played an important role and should be able to benefit from the provisions of the future convention. Permanent missions were accredited to some of them, such as the Organization of American States, the Organization of African Unity, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, the Council of Europe, the European Economic Community and the League of Arab States. The Spanish delegation therefore proposed that article 2, the effect of which was to limit the scope of the convention, should be deleted.

4. He pointed out that it would be necessary to determine how the convention would be made applicable to an international organization and that, in that con-