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4th plenary meeting

Wednesday, 5 February 1975, at 6.30 p.m.

President: Mr. SETTE CÂMARA (Brazil).

Appointment of other members of the Drafting Committee

[Agenda item 9]

1. The PRESIDENT said that the Conference was now called upon to appoint the members of the Drafting Committee, in addition to the Chairman of that Committee who had already been elected by the Conference at its 1st meeting, and the Rapporteur of the Committee of the Whole, who had been elected by the Committee of the Whole at its 1st meeting and who, in accordance with rule 48 of the rules of procedure, was also a member of the Drafting Committee.

2. The General Committee had decided at its 1st meeting to propose that the following countries be appointed: Argentina, France, Iraq, Morocco, Netherlands, Pakistan, Peru, Switzerland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America. If there were no objection, he would consider that the Conference agreed to adopt that proposal.

It was so decided.

Organization of Work

[Agenda item 10]

3. The PRESIDENT said that the General Commit-

tee, at its 1st meeting, had also considered the question of methods of work and procedures of the Conference on the basis of a Secretariat memorandum on the subject (A/CONF.67/3). After an interesting exchange of views and following a number of suggestions made during the discussion, the General Committee had decided to recommend that the Conference should adopt the method of discussing article by article the draft articles on the representation of States in their relations with international organizations (A/CONF.67/11 and Add. 1 to 5) which constituted the basic proposal before the Conference. At the same time, the General Committee had recommended that the Secretariat suggestions on the groupings of articles contained in the memorandum could serve as useful guidance in the conduct of the Conference's work whenever feasible. It was hoped that the flexible approach thus proposed would facilitate the speedy progress of the work of the Conference.

4. If there were no comments, he would consider that the Conference agreed to adopt those recommendations of the General Committee.

It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 6.35 p.m.

5th plenary meeting

Thursday, 20 February 1975, at 12.10 p.m.

President: Mr. SETTE CÂMARA (Brazil).

Organization of work (A/CONF.67/C.1/L.76)

[Agenda item 10]

1. The PRESIDENT recalled that, at its 4th plenary meeting the Conference had adopted a recommendation by the General Committee concerning the methods of work and procedures of the Conference. The General Committee had recommended that the Conference should adopt the method of discussing the draft articles on the representation of States in their relations with international organizations (A/CONF.67/11 and Add. 1 to 5) article by article, and that the Secretariat's suggestions on the grouping of articles contained in the memorandum in document A/CONF.67/3 could serve as useful guidance, whenever feasible, in the conduct of the Conference's work. In its opinion, that flexible approach would facilitate the speedy progress of the work of the Conference.

2. Prior to the present meeting, the General Committee had met to consider a proposal (A/CONF.67/C.1/L.76) submitted by 10 countries: Bulgaria, Byelorussian SSR, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Mongolia, Poland, Ukrainian SSR and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the effect that part III (Delegations to organs and to conferences) of the draft articles should be considered jointly with the annex (Observer delegations to organs and to conferences). The General Committee had held a detailed exchange of views from which the following positions had emerged: some members had supported the proposal that part III of the draft articles should be considered jointly with the annex; others had been opposed to any change in the method of work so far followed; others, again, had suggested that the Committee of the Whole should continue to discuss the draft on an article-by-article basis for one week more and should then re-examine the question.