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NOTE BY THE UNITED KINGDOM DELEGATION

Article 98

Entry into Force and Registration

1. Instruments of acceptance of this Charter shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who will inform all Governments represented at the U.N. Conference on Trade and Employment and all Members of the United Nations not so represented, of the date of deposit of each instrument of acceptance and of the day on which this Charter enters into force.
 2. This Charter shall enter into force on the sixtieth day following the day on which the number of Governments represented at the U.N. Conference on Trade and Employment which have deposited instruments of acceptance pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Article shall reach 20, and the instrument of acceptance of each other accepting government shall take effect on the sixtieth day following the day on which it is deposited, provided that
 - (a) the first 20 countries depositing instruments of acceptance between them account for 66% of world trade. The Secretary-General of the United Nations, in making the calculation, shall use figures to be supplied by the statistical services of the United Nations and shall take an average of the figures for 1937 and for the first complete post-war year of world trade. If the first 20 countries depositing instruments of acceptance do not account for 66% of world trade between them, the Charter shall enter into force on the sixtieth day following the day on which additional countries depositing instruments of acceptance account, together with the first 20 countries, for 66% of world trade;
 - (b) this Charter shall in any case not enter into force until the end of nine months from the date of signature of the final act of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment;
 - (c) during a period of six months from the date of entry into force
- /of this Charter

of this Charter in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph

(i) the Conference of the Organization shall not meet. It shall meet as soon as possible thereafter and in any case within three months thereafter,

(ii) no country which signed the final act of this Charter shall be treated as a non-Member.

3. If this Charter shall not have entered into force by [31st December 1949], the Secretary-General of the United Nations shall institute consultation among those governments which have deposited acceptance to determine whether, and on what conditions, they desire to bring the Charter into force.

4. The United Nations are authorized to effect registration of this Charter as soon as it comes into force.
