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STATELESSNESS

Comments received from Governments on the subject of the  
draft protocol relating to the status of stateless persons

The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit herewith the communication received from the Government of Pakistan in reply to the letter addressed by the Secretary-General in accordance with General Assembly resolution 629 (VII) of 6 November 1952 to all the governments invited to the United Nations Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Status of Refugees and Stateless Persons (held at Geneva in July 1951) with a view to obtaining their comments on the draft protocol relating to the status of stateless persons.

PAKISTAN

Note dated 11 July 1953 from the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Relations of Pakistan addressed to the Secretary-General

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Relations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the Secretary-General's note No. SOA 325/5/05 (1), dated the 1st December, 1952, regarding the Draft Protocol relating to the Status of Stateless Persons.

The Government of Pakistan would not be prepared to apply to stateless persons the provisions of Article 31 of the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees. It would have no objection to applying to stateless persons the other provisions of the Convention which it is proposed to apply to such persons. The Government of Pakistan would, however, reserve its position in regard to the Draft Protocol as a whole until it has had an opportunity of considering the final draft.

It is regretted that this information could not be furnished earlier.