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ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE APPLICATIONS FOR
CONSULTATIVE STATUS ARE TO BE
CONSIDERED BY THE COUNCIL
NGO COMMITTEE

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PART I

CONTAINS MATERIAL RELATING TO THE EXECUTION OF
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I. A. Applications which are to be further considered

The Council NGO Committee at its 38th meeting on 22 June 1948 considered the applications of a certain number of international non-governmental organizations and instructed the Secretariat to obtain supplementary information on some of these organizations before making final recommendations on them to the Economic and Social Council.

The Secretariat wrote to the organizations in question, and following are the replies which reached Lake Success by 13 July 1948.

1. Pax Romana - International Movement of Catholic Students
(Pax Romana - Mouvement international des Etudiants catholiques)
8, rue de l'Université
Fribourg, Switzerland

General Secretary: Abbé Joseph Schneuwly

Reference: E/C.2/W.10, pp 6-10
E/C.2/W.10/Add.1, pp. 8-10

2. Pax Romana - International Catholic Movement for Intellectual and Cultural Affairs
(Pax Romana - Mouvement international des Intellectuels catholiques)
Cité universitaire
Fribourg, Switzerland

Secretary-General: Professor Ramon Sugranyes de Franch

Reference: E/C.2/W.10, p. 10
E/C.2/W.10/Add.2, pp. 11-15

(a) The Committee decided to recommend granting consultative status in category (b) to the above organizations subject to their acceptance of joint representation.
(E/C.2/SR.W.38, pp 11-16)

(b) The organizations wrote to the Secretary-General on the 5th and 6th of July accepting the principle of joint representation in letters as follows:

- I. "Pax Romana
Mouvement international des Etudiants catholiques

Fribourg le 5 juillet 1948

Monsieur Trygve Lie
Secrétaire général
Nations Unies
Lake Success, N.Y.

Monsieur le Secrétaire General,

J'ai l'honneur de vous remercier de l'aimable communication que Monsieur Laszlo Hamori vient de me faire en date du 1 juillet en m'informant que le Comité ONG du Conseil Economique et Social des Nations Unies avait décidé qu'il était en mesure de recommander le statut consultatif de la catégorie (b) à notre Mouvement, sous réserve de notre acceptation d'être représentés auprès du Conseil Economique et Social conjointement avec Pax Romana - Mouvement International des Intellectuels Catholiques.

Je tiens à remercier le Comité ONG de cette marque de confiance vis-à-vis de notre Mouvement et à exprimer l'espoir que le Conseil Economique et Social acceptera la recommandation du Comité ONG et accordera, lors de sa prochaine réunion à Genève, le statut consultatif (b) à notre Mouvement.

Après avoir consulté le Mouvement International des Intellectuels Catholiques je suis en mesure de vous informer que notre Mouvement accepte la suggestion du Comité ONG d'avoir auprès du Conseil Economique et Social une représentation commune avec Pax Romana - M.I.I.C., tout en soulignant que les deux Mouvements ne cessent pas d'être entièrement autonomes et qu'ils représentent des intérêts des milieux différents.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Secrétaire Général, l'expression de ma plus haute considération.

(signé) Abbé Joseph Schneuwly
Secrétaire Général
Pax Romana - M.I.I.C."

II.

"Pax Romana

Mouvement international des intellectuels catholiques

Fribourg, le 6 juillet 1948
14 rue de l'Université

Monsieur le Secrétaire général,
des Nations Unies
Section des Organisations non gouvernementales
Division de Coordination et de Liaison
LAKE SUCCESS
New York

Ref: ECA 10/1/0184

Monsieur le Secrétaire général,

Nous vous remercions très cordialement de votre lettre du 1er juillet dans laquelle vous nous faites l'honneur de nous annoncer que le Comité chargé d'examiner les dispositions à prendre en vue des consultations avec les organisations non gouvernementales (Comité ONG du Conseil Economique et Social), a décidé de recommander l'octroi du statut consultatif de la catégorie (b) à notre organisation.

De plus le Comité nous demande si nous serions disposés à être représentés auprès du Conseil Economique et Social et de gagner du temps pour que notre représentation soit effective, nous devons répondre affirmativement à la demande du Comité. Nous acceptons donc d'avoir auprès du Conseil Economique et Social une représentation commune avec le Mouvement international des Etudiants

Catholiques, tout en faisant valoir que les deux organisations demeurent autonomes et qu'elles représentent des intérêts souvent bien différents quoique non divergents.

Dans l'espoir que notre acceptation permettra au Conseil économique et social de prendre une décision définitive au cours de sa prochaine session de Genève, nous vous prions d'agréer, Monsieur le Secrétaire général, l'hommage de nos sentiments respectueux.

R. Sugranyes de Franch
Secrétaire général."

3. World Movement of Mothers
(Mouvement mondial des Mères)
25, rue de Valois
Paris 1er, France
Secretary-General: Mrs. M. Butillard (France)

Reference: E/C.2/W.10, pp.56-57

(a) The Committee requested supplementary information concerning relations between this organization and the International Union of Family Organizations, already granted consultative status in category (b).

(b) The following are extracts from a letter of the Secretary General of this organization dated 6 July 1948:

"Le Mouvement Mondial des Mères entretient d'excellents rapports avec l'Union internationale des Organismes Familiaux, 28 Place St. Georges.

Toutefois, le Mouvement Mondial des Mères ne groupe pas les familles en tant que telles. Il réunit, en Comités nationaux, par leurs dirigeantes des Associations qui groupent des mères, ou les atteignent.

Ces Associations ont adhéré à la Charte de la Mère...."

4. European Union of Federalists
(Union européenne des Fédéralistes)
Palais Wilson, Geneva, Switzerland.
President: Mr. Ignazio Silone
Chairman: Mr. Henri Brugmans
Secretary General: Mr. Raymond Silva

Reference: E/C.2/W.10, pp 4-6
E/C.2/W.10/Add.1, p.6

5. World Movement for World Federal Government
(Mouvement universel pour un Gouvernement
fédéral mondial)
10 rue Diday,
Geneva, Switzerland
President: Mr. Jean Larmeroux
Secretary-General: Mr. T.O. Griessemer

Reference: E/C.2/W.10, pp 4-6
E/C.2/W.10/Add.1, p.7

(a) The Committee reaffirmed at its 38th meeting, 22 June 1948, the Resolution of the Economic and Social Council of 3 March 1947, postponing the decision on the applications of these two organizations "until organizations having a similar interest enter into sufficiently close relations with each other to permit joint representation" (E/C.2/SR.W.38, p.15)

(b) This interim decision of the Committee has been communicated to the organizations by the Secretariat.

(c) These are extracts from the reply of the Secretary-General of the European Union of Federalists, dated 7 July:

"La question, pour nous, est très claire. Nous sommes tous en faveur de la fédération mondiale et la preuve en est non seulement dans les relations intimes que nous entretenons avec le Mouvement Universel pour une Confédération Mondiale, mais encore dans toutes les déclarations officielles, résolutions, rapports, etc. qui, tous, affirment notre position de Mondiaux sans aucune equivoque. Néanmoins, vu les buts particuliers qui sont les nôtres et qui visent plus spécialement à une Union fédéraliste européenne qui nous paraît la première étape nécessaire à une Organisation universelle, il n'est pas possible - et cela, est, du reste, l'opinion des dirigeants du M.U.C.M. - d'accepter le principe d'une représentation commune. Nous ne voyons pas, d'autre part, comment il serait possible, organiquement, de donner satisfaction au Comité du Conseil Economique et Social. La fusion entre nos deux Organisations n'est pas concevable à l'heure actuelle et nous serions obligés de créer un Comité de Coordination ad hoc dont l'existence susciterait des problèmes juridiques insolubles.

Nous espérons que ces quelques considérations complémentaires de celles que nous vous avons adressées le 20 mai, permettront au Comité de revenir sur sa décision et que, lors de sa prochaine session, il voudra bien répondre favorablement à notre demande."

(d) At the time this document was sent for reproducing, there were no direct comments available from the World Movement for World Federal Government.

6. Caritas Internationales

Reply not received by 13 July 1948.

**B. APPLICATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORT**

Reference: E/C.2/W.10 pp. 11-15
E/C.2/W.10 pp. 38-39
E/C.2/W.10 pp. 43-45
E/C.2/W.10/Add. 1. p. 16
E/C.2/W.10/Add. 1. pp. 24-25
E/C.2/W.10/Add. 2. pp.

1. The Committee decided to postpone the consideration of these applications until the Geneva session. It also instructed the Secretariat to obtain supplementary information on some of the organizations in question and furthermore, to prepare a confidential memorandum on possibilities of joint representation and other matters. (E/C.2/SR.W.38, pp. 10-11).

2. The following supplementary information reached the Secretariat by 13 July 1948:

(a) International Union of Railways
(Union internationale des Chemins de Fer - U.I.C.)

Reference: E/C.2/W.10. p. 12
E/C.2/W.10/Add. 2. p. 8

In a letter from Mr. G. Pader, Secretary-General of the International Union of Railways, dated 15 June, addressed to the Secretary, the following replies were given to the questionnaire mentioned in paragraph 1 of I.A. of E/C.2/W.10/Add. 2:

"1. The Spanish Railways, members of the International Union of Railways have paid dues for 1948 as well as all their former dues.

2. The Spanish Railways are parties to the International Conventions for the Transportation of Merchandise and Travellers (Convention Internationale pour le transport des marchandises et pour le transport des voyageurs - C.I.M. & C.I.V.). In this capacity, they were called by the Central Office in Berne to a preparatory meeting of the Conference on the Revision of the Conventions mentioned above as well as to a meeting of the Revision of Annex I, of the International Convention on the Transportation of Merchandise, dealing with regulation of transportation of dangerous merchandise in international traffic.

The International Union of Railways has a Managing Board (Comité de Gérance) which meets once a year and also has Commissions and Working Parties which meet during the year to make proposals to the Managing Board.

The Spanish Railways, alternately with the Portuguese Railways, represent the totality of the Iberian Peninsula on the Governing Board. Consequently, the Spanish Railways take part in the work of the Managing Board every two years.

The International Union of Railways draws attention to the fact that the traffic between the continent of Europe and Portugal, necessitates the intervention of the Spanish Railways.

The Spanish Railways are also members of certain Committees and Working Parties of the International Union of Railways with limited technical objects.

3. The Spanish Railways never represented the International Union of Railways at any meetings of another international organization, non-governmental or inter-governmental."

- (b) Permanent International Association of Navigation Congresses
(Association internationale permanente des Congrès de Navigation)

Reference: E/C.2/W.10. p. 12
E/C.2/W.10/Add. 2. p. 8

In a letter from the Secretary-General of the Permanent International Association of Navigation Congresses, Mr. J. Millecam, dated 25 June, addressed to the Secretary, the following replies were given to the questionnaire referred to above under (a):

- "1. Dues paid to our Association by the Spanish branch:
 - the Spanish section transmitted us on 10.4.1947 the subsidies of the Spanish Government for the years 1941 to 1946 (6 years). We think further subsidies will come in.
2. Members of Spanish branch served on an International board:
 - 4 Spanish delegates are members of the "Permanent International Commission" which is managing our Association.
3. a) Members of Spanish branch who attended meetings:
 - No one.
 - b) Spanish members having represented our Association at a meeting of another international organization:
 - No one."

- (c) International Carriage and Van Union
(Union internationale des Voitures et des Fourgons) (R.I.C.)

Reference: E/C.2/W.10/Add. 1. p. 23
E/C.2/SR.W.38 pp. 10-11

The list of the countries, the Railway Administrations of which are members of this Union, had not been received by the Secretariat on 13 July 1948.

I B 3. Confidential memorandum to the NGO Committee by the Secretariat concerning the applications of organizations in the field of transport*

(a) At the 38th meeting of the NGO Committee on 22 June 1948, the Secretariat was instructed by the NGO Committee, to prepare the present confidential memorandum concerning the applications for consultative status of a group of non-governmental organizations in the field of transport and particularly to indicate cases in which a joint representation for two organizations might suitably be arranged and also cases where the granting of consultative status would not seem indispensable.

The organizations in question are as follows:

1. Central Council of International Touring
2. International Air Transport Association
3. International Shipping Federation
4. International Union of Railways
5. Permanent International Association of Navigation Congresses
6. International Federation of Travel Agencies
7. International Road Transport Union
8. International Carriage and Van Union
9. International Wagon Union.

(b) In the first place, as far as the five first-mentioned organizations are concerned, the Economic and Social Council, at its Sixth Session, by Resolution 133(VI), directed the Transport and Communications Commission to advise the Council on their applications, it being understood that the question of Spanish membership was not referred to the Commission, but would be taken into consideration when the Council acts upon these applications. (See p. 11 of E/C.2/W.10).

In the light of the foregoing decision of the Council, the Transport and Communications Commission examined the case of these organizations at its Second Session in April 1948, and recommended to the Council that consultative status be granted to the organizations listed under 2, 3, 4 and 5 above. (See pp. 12-14 of E/C.2/W.10). In the case of these four organizations, common representation would not seem possible for any of them, as each covers a distinct sphere and represents a distinct interest

* The question of Spanish membership is not discussed in this memorandum.

In examining the case of the organization listed under 1. above, the Central Council of International Touring, the Commission considered that lack of sufficient information prevented it from making a recommendation on this organization. The Commission therefore entrusted to the Secretariat the task of collecting additional information to be submitted to the next session of the Commission, bearing especially on the two following questions:

- a. Whether the Central Council of International Touring has authority to speak for its members through its authorized representatives;
- b. Whether the granting of consultative status to it needs consideration in view of the fact that certain of the Organizations which constitute its membership have already applied individually for consultative status, and their applications have either been granted or are now under consideration by the Economic and Social Council. (See pp. 13 and 14 of E/C.2/W.10).

The Secretariat is consequently now engaged in collecting the above-mentioned information. However, as the points raised by the Commission in these two paragraphs are of general interest and important in principle, the NGO Committee might perhaps desire to examine them and establish a ruling for such cases which would also facilitate the further examination by the Transport and Communications Commission of the organization in question.

(c) As to the organization listed under 6. above, the International Federation of Travel Agencies, (see pp. 38 and 39 of E/C.2/W.10), it obviously falls into the same category -- although with somewhat different interests involved -- as the International Union of Official Travel Organizations, which was granted consultative status by the Council at its Sixth Session in March, on the basis of the recommendation of the NGO Committee. This case is somewhat similar to those where a non-governmental organization exists in a sphere which is already covered by a specialized agency -- cases for which the Council recommended that this fact should be taken into consideration when examining the desirability of granting consultative status to the non-governmental organization in question -- the alternative being to establish relations with the non-governmental organization in question through the specialized agency concerned.

Therefore, it might perhaps be suggested in the case under examination that the organization involved be granted consultative status jointly with the International Union of Official Travel Organizations, or else as the latter has already been granted this status, that the International Federation of Travel Agencies act through it in its relations with the United Nations.

(d) With respect to the organization listed under 7. above, the International Road Transport Union, (see pp. 43-45 of E/C.2/W.10 and P. 9 of E/C.2/W.10/Add.2), it would be difficult for it to be joined to any of the other non-governmental organizations in the present group as in a

common status. The only question which might arise in connection with this organization is whether it is already sufficiently internationally representative -- pending the outcome of its efforts to have American organizations in this field join it. It is in fact now composed of a number of Western European countries only.

(e) Finally, as concerns the organizations listed under 8. and 9., International Carriage and Van Union and International Wagon Union, they have both, and especially the latter, a very important role in European rail transport and in the general effort of reconstruction. (See pp. 23 and 24 of E/C.2/W.10/Add.1). This fact is proved by the successful efforts, especially of the Economic Commission for Europe, to bring into full force again agreement on which the International Wagon Union is based. Owing to the fact that both organizations cover the same field and have parallel interests -- and, moreover, that the Swiss Federal Railways is the managing board for both of these organizations -- it would seem to be both feasible and suitable in this particular case to grant joint consultative status to both organizations. (The Secretariat is examining the question of possible Spanish membership in the first of the two organizations, the International Carriage and Van Union.)

C. Communications from Non-Governmental Organizations
granted consultative status subject to the Exclusion
of their Spanish Affiliates.

Reference: E/C.2/W.10.
pp 16-19

According to instructions received from the
NGO Committee, the Secretariat wrote repeatedly to the
International Bar Association and the International Federation
for Housing and Town Planning reminding them of the
Resolution of 4 March 1948 of the Economic and Social Council,
and requested that the necessary information should be sent
to Geneva, latest by 19 July 1948.

D. Reconsideration of Council Resolution 57 (IV) on International Non-Governmental Organizations Having Members in Spain.

References: E/C.2/W.10, p.26
E/C.2/W.10/Add.1, p.17
E/C.2/WR.W.38, pp 3-10
E/C.2/SR.W.39, pp 10-11

The Council NGO Committee decided at its 39th meeting on 23 June 1948, to defer the consideration of this item until the meeting in Geneva.

Upon the request of the Committee, the Secretariat will produce here the essential material relating to this item including the texts of the draft amendments submitted by the delegates of United Kingdom, United States and France:

1. Original text of decision on international non-governmental organizations having members in Spain, in Resolution 57 (IV) of the Council (28 March 1948)*

"THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

TAKES NOTE of the report of its Committee on Arrangements for Consultation with Non-Governmental Organizations (Council NGO Committee) (document E/298, 2 March 1947) and

DECIDES as follows:

1. That the international non-governmental organizations should be excluded from relationship under Article 71, if they have legally constituted branches in Spain whose policies are determined and controlled by the Franco Government.

2. That international non-governmental organizations should be eligible for consultative relationship:

- (a) If they have only individual members in Spain who are not organized into a legally constituted branch;
- (b) If the branches in Spain, though properly constituted, have a purely humanitarian character and their policies are not determined and controlled by the Franco Government;
- (c) If such branches are not active at the present time."

* In: Resolutions adopted by the Economic and Social Council during its Fourth Session from 28 February to 29 March 1947. United Nations, Lake Success, N.Y., on p. 47

(2) Amendment submitted by the Delegate of the United Kingdom to the Council in Resolution 57 (IV) (28 March 1948)

"....2. That international non-governmental organizations should be eligible for consultative relationship:

(a).....

(b) If the branches in Spain though legally constituted and active, have a purely humanitarian character and their policies are not determined and controlled by the Franco Government:

(c) If the branches in Spain though legally constituted are not active at the present time"

(3) Amendment submitted by the Delegate of the United States to the decision of the Council in Resolution 57 (IV) (28 March 1948)

"...2 (c) If the Branches in Spain, though legally constituted, are not actively participating at the present time in the international non-governmental organizations in which they may hold membership.

3. That the Secretary General should be requested to keep himself informed regarding non-governmental organizations with Spanish branches which would debar the international non-governmental organizations from consultative status."

(4) Modified draft resolution submitted by the Delegate of France to replace decision of the Council in Resolution on 57 (IV) (28 March 1948)

(a) French original:

"Le Conseil Economique et Social

PRENANT ACTE:

DECIDE ce qui suit:

1. Les Organisations internationales non-gouvernementales qui ont en Espagne des bureaux légalement constitués dont l'action générale est déterminés et contrôlés par le Gouvernement de Franco ne pourront bénéficier des dispositions de l'article 71;

2. Toutefois, le statut consultatif pourra être accordé à ces organisations si leurs bureaux d'Espagne, quoique légalement constitués, présentent les caractères suivants:

a) - Si ces bureaux sont en activité, mais s'ils ont un caractère purement humanitaire et si leur action générale n'est pas déterminée ou contrôlée par le Gouvernement de Franco,

b) - Si ces bureaux n'ont actuellement aucune activité en Espagne ou s'ils n'ont actuellement aucune activité dans le fonctionnement de l'Organisation internationale non-gouvernementale à laquelle ils peuvent appartenir.

3. Les Organisations non-gouvernementales pourront également bénéficier du statut consultatif si elles n'ont en Espagne que des membres isolés qui ne sont pas groupés en bureaux légalement constitués."

(b) English translation of the above:

"The Economic and Social Council.

TAKES NOTE.....

DECIDES as follows:

1. That international non-governmental Organizations which have legally constituted branches in Spain, the policies of which are determined and controlled by the Franco Government, should be excluded from relationship under Article 71.
2. However, these organizations should be eligible for consultative relationship if their branches in Spain, though legally constituted, have the following characteristics:
 - (a) If these branches are active but have a purely humanitarian character and if their policies are not determined and controlled by the Franco Government.
 - (b) If these branches are not at the present time active in Spain or are not actively participating at the present time in the international non-governmental organization in which they may hold membership.
3. Non-governmental organizations should also be eligible for consultative relationship if they have only individual members in Spain who are not organized into a legally constituted branch."

PART II

NEW APPLICATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS

- A. Baha'i Community
- B. General Federation of Women's Clubs

II. NEW APPLICATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS

(A) The following organization submitted its application prior to the June Session of the Council NGO Committee to the Secretariat and it should have been brought to the attention of the Committee at that time:

HUMAN RIGHTS
STATUS OF WOMEN
UNESCO

Baha'i Community

(No French name is available)

536, Sheriden Road,
Wilmette, Illinois, U.S.A.

Guardian of the Bana'i Faith: Shogy Effendi
Chairman : Dorothy Beecher Baker
Secretary : Horace Holley

The Baha'i Faith was founded in 1844, in Persia. The Baha'i Community is composed of 8 affiliated organizations - National Spiritual Assemblies of the Baha'is - in the following countries:

United States and Canada, British Isles, Germany, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, India and Burma, Australia and New Zealand.

The membership of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Bana'i of the United States and Canada is 5720. International membership statistics are not available.

General purposes of the Organization are:

1. To publish and disseminate the principles and teachings of the Baha'i Faith.
2. To administer the affairs of the Baha'i community.
3. To maintain a religious fellowship having no discrimination of race, class or creed.

The fundamental Baha'i teaching is the oneness of mankind, by which is meant "the equality of races as members of the human family, the spiritual unity of all revealed religions as successive stages in the evolution of one universal faith, and the complete interdependence of nations and peoples in this new world era" and in particular "the independent search after truth, unfettered by superstition or tradition; the oneness of the entire human race; the basic unity of all religions; condemnation of all forms of prejudice, whether religious, racial, class or national; the harmony which must exist between religion and science; the equality of men and women; the introduction of compulsory education; the adoption of a universal auxiliary language; the establishment of a permanent and universal peace as the supreme goal of mankind".

The National Spiritual Assemblies are active in developing educational and religious activities, publishing literature, etc.

II. (B) A new application from General Federation of Women's Clubs is being brought to the attention of the NGO Committee in agreement with the decision of the Committee at its meeting on 22 June 1948. (See E/C.2/SR.W.38, p.21).

General Federation of Women's Clubs
(No French name is available)

1734 N Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C., U.S.A.

President: Mrs. J. L. Blair Buck

References:

E/C.2/W.5/Add.1, pp. 21-32
E/C.2/W.10, p.22
E/C.2/SR.W.38, p.21.

(1) The following is the text of the essay published on this organisation on pp. 31-32 of E/C.2/W.5/Add.1:

"The General Federation of Women's Clubs was founded in 1890. It now has three million members. There are 17,000 clubs in the United States. These are grouped into State Federations; there are also twelve National organizations belonging to it and there are fifty-nine clubs and two Federations in other countries, and in possessions of the United States. The national organisations affiliated with the Federation are as follows:

American Jewish Congress, Women's Division
Association for Childhood Education
Camp Fire Girls, Inc.
Girl Scouts, Inc.
Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S.
National Kindergarten Association
National Organization for Public Health Nursing
Needlework Guild of America
Osteopathic Women's National Association
Service Star Legion, Inc.
Union de Mujeres Americanas, Inc. (International Organization)
Women's Field Army, American Cancer Society.

There are Clubs (some of which are entitled "American Women's Club") in

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Brazil,
Canada, China, Chosen, Colombia, Cuba,
Denmark, Egypt, England, Germany, Greece,
Holland, India, Isle of Pines, Jamaica,
Japan, Tokyo, Mexico, Aruba (N.W.I.)

It appears, however, that these Clubs in countries other than the United States are granted affiliate membership. (Section 4, Article I, By-laws) Article 5, Section 3, provides that "national and international organizations, foreign and territorial clubs, unless paying per capita dues, may be represented at a convention by one delegate, who shall be entitled to all privileges of the convention except the right to make motions, vote, or become a candidate for office." The Secretariat has inquired as to which of these clubs actually do pay per capita dues and which, therefore, have voting rights.

The general purposes are: "To unite the women's clubs and like organizations throughout the world for the purpose of mutual benefit, and for the promotion of their common interest in education, philanthropy, public welfare, moral values, civics and fine arts."

It is specifically interested in child welfare, public health, narcotic control, housing, rehabilitation, world famine relief, family relations, youth conservation, human rights, education, fine arts; economic adjustment, employment, status of women, management-labour relations; legislation; international relations, scholarships - domestic and foreign, extension of friendly and cultural contacts among individuals in many countries.

It holds annual conventions with 4,000 to 5,000 persons in attendance. Its Board of Directors meets twice yearly. The General Federation carries on an educational programme supporting the United Nations; for example, during 1944-45, sixty-five thousand pieces of study material, and 45,701 communications relating to the United Nations were mailed to its members. It has actively supported legislation designed to increase international co-operation including urging the rectification of the United Nations Charter. Eighty students have been granted scholarships for study in the United States. Through its foreign clubs, it endeavours to promote goodwill. It has co-operated in all relief programmes conducted in the United States. Its President served as Consultant to the United States Delegation at San Francisco. It conducts a Youth Programme to stimulate planning for young people. It has set up service centres for veterans of World War II. It has promoted equal employment opportunities for all physically handicapped persons.

In June 1946, it held a Conference of its International Relations Department in Chicago at which the problems before the Commission on Human Rights and the question of Trusteeships were discussed.

It publishes a magazine during nine months of the year and many pamphlets, mimeographed bulletins, etc."

(2) The Secretariat has been requested to submit to the Committee supplementary information on the structure of this organization.

According to a recent communication from this organization several articles of its by-laws were amended, particularly those relating to:

- (a) membership
- (b) representation

(3) Original membership provisions

According to Section 1, Art. 1, of the By-laws, the General Federation of Women's Clubs is composed of "clubs and organizations" which are to be admitted to the General Federation through universal membership, non-universal membership and affiliated membership.

Section 2: "UNIVERSAL MEMBERSHIP is membership of clubs and organizations which automatically become members of the General Federation through their membership in the state federation...."

Section 3: "NON-UNIVERSAL MEMBERSHIP is membership of clubs and organizations paying per capita dues to the General Federation and belonging to a state federation which has not adopted universal membership...."

Section 4: "AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP is membership of state federations; state organizations which belong to the state federation; city and county federations admitted to the General Federation prior to 1928; foreign and territorial clubs and national and international organizations...."

(4) New membership provisions

According to the amended text, the quoted part of Section 4, Article 1, of the By-laws reads as follows:

Section 4: "AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP is membership of state federations; state organizations which belong to the state federation; city and county federations admitted to the General Federation prior to 1928; national organizations; and the General Federation Council of International Clubs, composed of international clubs and organizations."

There are no changes in the text of Sections 1, 2, 3 of Art. 1. of the By-laws.

(5) Representation

ARTICLE V - REPRESENTATION

Section 2: "Each federated club or organization of one hundred members or fewer shall be entitled to one delegate; for each additional hundred members or major fraction thereof, one additional delegate. National organizations and international clubs and organizations paying per capita dues shall be entitled to representation on the same basis.

The representation of state federations shall be based on the number of clubs on which the state pays dues to the General Federation. Each state federation of twenty-five clubs or fewer shall be entitled to four delegates. Each state federation shall be entitled to one additional delegate for every additional twenty-five clubs.

The representation of non-state federations, other than state federations of ten clubs or fewer, shall be one delegate and one additional delegate for every additional twenty clubs.

Section 3: All international organizations and international clubs of more than 200 members may be represented at a convention by one voting delegate.

Section 4: All national organizations and international clubs of 200 members or less, unless paying per capita dues, may be represented at a convention by one delegate, who shall be entitled to all privileges of the convention except the right to make motions, vote, or become a candidate for office.

Section 5: (new). Members of all clubs and organizations belonging to the General Federation who are not delegates may attend conventions and take part in the discussions, but shall not make motions or vote."

Note of the Secretariat:
Amended parts of the text
have been underlined.

(6) The General Federation of Women's Clubs states that its 64 international club members are spread in 28 areas of the world with a membership of 5,258,864.

In view of the varying importance of the membership of the clubs in the countries and their different character, the Secretariat reproduces herewith the full statement of the General Federation of Women's Clubs concerning the "International Clubs":

INTERNATIONAL CLUBS
belonging to the
GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
Total Membership 5,258,364.

| <u>Country & City.</u> | <u>Club.</u> | <u>No. of Members.</u> | <u>Represen- tation</u> |
|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Argentina, Buenos Aires | 20th Century Club: | 600 | voting |
| Argentina, Buenos Aires | Contemporary Study Club | 30 | non-voting |
| Argentina, Buenos Aires | American Women's Club | 600 | voting |
| Australia, Melbourne | Federated Association of Australian Housewives | 30,000 | voting |
| Australia, Brisbane | Brisbane Women's Club | 600 | voting |
| Australia, Sydney | The Women's Club | 800 | voting |
| Australia, Sydney | Women's Club | 800 | voting |
| Australia, New South Wales | Women Justices' Association | 150 | non-voting |
| Australia West, Perth | The Karrakatta Club | 500 | voting |
| Austria, Vienna | Vienna Women's Club | 128 | non-voting |
| Austria, Vienna | Austrian Legation Association | *n.r. | |
| Brazil, Rio de Janeiro | Woman's Club of Rio de Janeiro | 60 | non-voting |
| Canada, Alberta, Calgary | Woman's Canadian Club | 639 | voting |
| Canada, Alberta, Calgary | American Women's Club | 190 | non-voting |
| Canada, Montreal | Montreal Women's Club | 360 | voting |
| Canada, Montreal | Montreal American Women's Club | 266 | voting |
| Canada, Manitoba, Winnipeg | Woman's Club | 210 | voting |
| Canada, Ontario, Toronto | American Women's Club | 300 | voting |
| Canada, B.C., Vancouver | American Woman's Club | 120 | non-voting |
| China, Shanghai | American Woman's Club of Shanghai | 100 | non-voting |
| Colombia, Bogota | Anglo-American Women's Club | 113 | non-voting |

* no record

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| Cuba, Havana | Lyceum and Lawn Tennis | 1500 | voting |
| Cuba, Havana | Woman's Club of Havana | 313 | xxx voting |
| Denmark, Genleff | American Women's Club of Denmark | 90 | non-votin |
| Egypt, Cairo | Woman's Club | 248 | voting |
| England, London | American Woman's Club | * n.r. | |
| Finland, Helsinki | Ladies Commission of the League of Tuberculosis | 93 | non-votin |
| France, Nantes | Club de liaison des femmes Franco-Américaines | 15 | xxx voting |
| France, Paris | Club de liaison des femmes Franco-Américaines | 30 | xxx voting |
| France, Paris | The Union Feminine Civique et Sociale | 100,000 | voting |
| Germany, Frankfurt | American Women's Club of Frankfurt | 200 | non-voting |
| Germany, Wuerttember | Deutscher Frauenklub | 837 | voting |
| Greece, Athens | Association of Women Writers and Artists (temporarily disbanded) | 600 | voting |
| Greece, Athens | Greek Association of University Women | 1,200 | voting |
| Greece, Athens | Union of Intellectual Women of the Dodecanese | 280 | voting |
| Greece, Athens | Junior Women's Group of Greece | * n.r. | |
| Greece, Drama | National Union of Civilian War Victims | 1,050 | voting |
| Greece, Kalavetra | Kalavetra Club of Women | 49 | non-voting |
| Greece, Patras | Morphotikos Society | 200 | non-votin |
| Holland, Amsterdam | Nederlandsche Vrouwenclub | 400 | voting |
| Holland, Amsterdam | Unie van vrouwelijke Vrijwilligers | 25,000 | voting |

* no record ~~xxx~~ per-capita paying

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| India, Bombay | American Woman's Club | 125 | non-voting |
| India, Calcutta | American Woman's Club | * n r. | |
| Isle of Pines, Nueva Gerona | Hibiscus Club of Santa Fe | 11 | non-voting |
| Isle of Pines, Nueva Gerona | Woman's Economic Club | 14 | non-voting |
| Jamaica, Half-way Tree | Jamaica Woman's Club | 112 | non-voting |
| Korea, Seoul | Federation of Korean Women's Clubs | 4,885,218 | voting |
| Mexico, Mexico City | Association de Universitarias Mexicanas | 35 | non-voting |
| Mexico, Monterrey | Club Femenino de Monterrey | 30 | non-voting |
| Mexico, Monterrey | Cosmopolitan Club | 25 | non-voting |
| Mexico, Monterrey | Woman's Club | 30 | non-voting |
| Netherlands, Hague | Dames Leesmuseum Club | 1000 | voting |
| N.W.I., Aruba | Woman's Club of Aruba | 207 | * voting |
| New Zealand, Otago | Dunedin Woman's Club | 825 | voting |
| New Zealand, Wellington | The Pioneer Club | 430 | voting |
| Peru, Lima | American Woman's Literary | 250 | * voting |
| Philippine Islands Artacho | Artacho Women's Club | 50 | non-voting |
| Philippine Islands Manila | National Federation of Women's Clubs | 200,000 | voting |
| Philippine Islands Manila | Fortnightly Club of Manila | 36 | non-voting |
| Philippine Islands Rosales | Rosales Woman's Club | 36 | non-voting |
| South Africa, Durban | The Empire Club | 210 | voting |
| South Africa, Johannesburg | Martha Washington Club | 52 | non-voting |
| Sweden, Stockholm | American Women's Club | 108 | non-voting |
| Uruguay, Montevideo | American Woman's Club | 140 | non-voting |

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* per-capita paying

UNITED STATES POSSESSIONS

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| Canal Zone, Balboa Heights | Balboa Woman's Club | 124 | **voting |
| Canal Zone, Cristobal | Cristobal Woman's Club | 188 | **voting |
| Canal Zone, Gamboa | Gamboa Woman's Club | 64 | **voting |
| Canal Zone, Pedro Miguel | Woman's Club | 25 | **voting |
| Hawaii, Hilo | Woman's Club | 160 | non-voting |
| Hawaii, Lihue | Mokihana Club | 170 | **voting |
| Hawaii, Maui | Maui Woman's Club | 247 | **voting |
| Hawaii, Wailuku | Maui Hawaiian Women's Club | 70 | non-voting |

The following Member Clubs have not been heard from since World

War II, but steps are being taken to re-establish contact or reorganize
the clubs.

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| China, Chungking | Chungking International Women's Club | 104 |
| China, Tientsin | Women's Club | |
| Japan, Kobe | Woman's Club | 79 |
| Japan, Tokyo | Woman's Clubs of Tokyo | 270 |
| Japan, Yokohama | International Women's Club | 350 |
| Korea, Seoul | Keijo Woman's Club | 80 |
| New Zealand | Hastings Women's Community Club | 145 |

** per-capita paying

(7) The General Federation of Women's Clubs submitted considerable amount of recent literature to the Secretariat. The publications give evidence of an increasing activity in the following fields:

1. International Relations
2. Good Will and Rehabilitation Program
3. Youth Conservation
4. Veterans
5. Health
6. Scholarships
7. Fine Arts
8. War Service
9. Legislation

The General Federation of Women's Clubs has been particularly active in supporting the work of the United Nations and Specialized Agencies in United States legislative bodies and among its members.

PART III

PERIODICAL REVIEW OF ORGANIZATIONS GRANTED
CONSULTATIVE STATUS

III. PERIODICAL REVIEW OF ORGANIZATIONS GRANTED CONSULTATIVE
STATUS

Reference: E/C.2/W.10, pp 61-62.

The delegate of the United States submitted a draft Resolution at the 35th meeting of the Council NGO Committee on 21 June 1948, the text of which follows:

"With the view to rendering fully effective the arrangements for consultation with non-governmental organizations, and to eliminate from consultative relationship those organizations which have not taken adequate advantage of the facilities for consultation,

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

DECIDES,

1. To request the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the activities up to July 1, 1948, undertaken by the non-governmental organizations in implementation of their consultative arrangements made with them and their work in support of the activities of the Council, and,
2. To direct the Council NGO Committee on the basis of the Report of the Secretary-General to make recommendations to the Economic and Social Council at its Ninth Session regarding,
 - (a) Any organizations which should be excluded from continuing consultative relationship, and
 - (b) Any improvements in the existing arrangements for consultation which the Committee may deem desirable."