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SUB-COMMISSION ON FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
AND OF THE PRESSSUGGESTIONS MADE BY THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CHILEAN DELEGATES
AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCERNING THE AGENDA OF THE
CONFERENCE ON FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

(Memorandum submitted by the Secretariat.)

During discussion in the Third Committee of the General Assembly on the Philippine resolution regarding the calling of an International Conference on Freedom of Information, the Delegate for the United Kingdom stated (Verbatim Record of Twenty-eighth Meeting of Third Committee, 20 November 1946): "As for the agenda of the Conference, we would make the following points for consideration, and that the Conference should have before them the following practical objectives:

1. To promote the widest and freest possible exchange of incoming and outgoing news, without government censorship in times of peace.
2. To extend to bona fide press, film and radio correspondents, without discrimination, all reasonable facilities to travel and reside in the respective territories of the signatory Governments, with complete freedom to carry on their activities, and with equal access to all sources of news.
3. To extend, within their respective territories and without discrimination, the freest and widest possible opportunities for the distribution of news by bona fide news services.
4. To extend access to available communication facilities to bona fide correspondents and news agencies without discrimination

as to nationality."

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/The Delegate

The Delegate for Chile supported the resolution and wished to add a fifth point to the four suggestions submitted by the Representative of the United Kingdom, "that an objective of the conference should be to prevent discrimination in the Press against any countries or regions of the world." (Journal No. 39: Supplement No. 3 - A/C.3/90)
