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TECHNICAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

EIGHTEENTH MEETING

Held on Tuesday, 2 April 1946 at 10.30 a.m. at the Palais d'Orsay, Paris

Chairman: Dr. René SAND

Regional Offices (Continuation)

The CHAIRMAN said that the Committee had before it two texts, one submitted by Dr. PARRAN (E/H/PC/W.11/Add.3) and the other by Dr. CAVAILLON in co-operation with Drs. EVANG and BERMANN (E/H/PC/W.11/Add.2). These two texts seemed to reflect two distinct opinions. It was therefore necessary to decide whether they should be submitted to the June Conference simultaneously or whether a vote should be taken in order to choose between them.

A long discussion ensued on the question whether such a vote should be taken and, if so, what degree of importance should be given it, certain members believing that it could have no decisive significance. The Committee finally decided by seven votes to three and six abstentions that the two texts submitted should be voted on, and that the number of votes cast for each text would give the June Conference some guidance.

Owing to the late hour the CHAIRMAN adjourned the discussion until the afternoon.

The meeting rose at 1 p.m.