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CORRIGENDUM TO SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FIRST MEETING

Lake Success, New York Wednesday, 18 February 1948 at 3.15 p.m.

Page 14 - 15, the summary of Mr. Jenks' speech should read as follows:

Mr. JENKS (ILO) on behalf of his organization expressed appreciation of the general principles underlying the draft resolutions submitted by the United States representative but would have preferred them to be somewhat simpler in form. There had been much discussion as to whether the report referred to in paragraph 1 should be presented by the Secretary-General or by the Co-ordination Committee. He felt no doubt that the Secretary-General would act in close co-operation with the specialized agencies in preparing the report, but as it would be necessary, if any of the questions raised required further action, that they should be dealt with by negotiation in the same manner in which the original agreements had been concluded. There would be great tactical advantage in having the question considered first by the Co-ordination Committee before submission to the Economic and Social Council.

The question of reciprocal representation, dealt with in paragraph 3, was of primary importance and his organization was anxious to see the arrangements for such representation improved. The main difficulty lay in the number of meetings and the length of the meetings held, as ILO wanted to provide adequate

representation with the necessary trained personnel. A preliminary exchange of views in the Co-ordination Committee would be practical and helpful.

In regard to paragraph 2 he was doubtful whether a report could be prepared in time for the seventh session of the Economic and Social Council. For the moment the ILO had made no plans, as it had not sufficient data available. It would consult with the United Nations before taking any definite action. Paragraph 2 therefore seemed premature.

In regard to the work of the Co-ordination Committee, each executive officer serving on the Co-ordination Committee was responsible to his executive body, and the Co-ordination Committee was the liaison device which enabled the Council, and the governmental authorities of the Specialized Agencies to maintain close contact through these administrative officers.