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Held at Mexico City on Friday, 28 August 1964, at 4.25 p.m.

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CRGANIZATION OF WORK (A/AC.119/L.5)

The CHAIRMAN drew attention to the tentative plan of work submitted by the Secretariat ($\Lambda/AC.119/L.5$).

The plan of work was approved.

The CHAIRMAN said he understood it was generally agreed that the Committee should try to work on the basis of written proposals. He wondered whether any delegations were ready to submit written proposals relating to subject A in time for their consideration at the meeting scheduled for the morning of Monday, 31 August.

Mr. SINCIAIR (United Kingdom) said that his delegation might be able to submit a proposal on 51 August.

Mr. SAHCVIC (Yugoslavia) said he believed that some other delegations might have proposals ready during the course of that day.

Mr. PECHCTA (Czechoslovakia) felt that it would be best to cancel the Monday morning meeting in order to allow time for the submission of proposals.

Mr. STAVROPOULOS (Representative of the Secretary-General) said that it would be a pity if meetings had to be cancelled because proposals were not ready.

In reply to a question from Mr. ELIAS (Nigeria), The CHAIRMAN said that delegations were free to submit proposals in any form they wished.

Mr. ELIAS (Nigeria) thought it was important to decide without delay whether the Committee intended to prepare draft articles.

Mr. SCHWEBEL (United States of America) said it was his understanding that the Committee's task was to study the principles of international law concerning friendly

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relations and co-operation among States with a view to their codification. The Committee might or might not decide that it was appropriate to draft specific articles or other formulations.

He did not think it essential for the Committee to have written proposals before it in order to begin its work.

Mr. KHLESTOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) thought that the businesslike procedure would be for the Committee to base its discussion on written proposals. Delegations should be allowed time to submit such proposals.

Mr. RAO (India) did not think that there was any need for the Committee to cancel meetings if written proposals were not ready; delegations could use the time to express their general views on the form which the Committee's conclusions might take.

A decision on the question raised by the Nigerian representative could be taken at a later stage.

Mr. DADZIE (Ghana) considered that the question raised by the Nigerian representative was of vital importance; he agreed, however, that it could be discussed at a later stage in the Committee's work.

The CHAIRMAN asked whether any delegation would be ready to make a statement at the meeting scheduled for the morning of 31 August.

Mr. RAO (India) said that he would be prepared to open the discussion.

Mr. SCHWEBEL (United States of America) said that he would not wish to commit his delegation to making a statement at that meeting. However, it was probable that the Indian representative's statement would stimulate discussion.

The CHAIRMAN said he took it to be the Committee's view that the meeting planned for the morning of 31 August should be held as scheduled.

It was so agreed.