

ECONOMIC AND EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION

SECOND SESSION

NOTES ON THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE SUB-COMMISSIONS
ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ON ECONOMIC STABILITY AND
EMPLOYMENT

(Prepared by the Secretariat in Connection with Items 3
and 4 of the Agenda, Document E/CN.1/32/Rev.2)

The following procedure for election of members of the two
Sub-Commissions is based on the practice of the Economic and Social Council
and on the discussions held by the Commission. Accordingly:

1. Elections will be held in closed meetings under Rule 41 of the
Provisional Rules of Procedure.
2. The members of the Commission will have before them a list
of all candidates proposed by them. These lists will include
information on the nationality of nominees, the names of nominators,
and biographical sketches of the nominees. These lists will
incorporate all additions, deletions and corrections submitted to
the Secretariat before noon on 4 June 1947.
3. Balloting will take place at the meeting of the Commission
to be held on 5 June 1947.
4. Balloting
 - (a) Balloting will follow Rules 34, 37, and 39 of the
Provisional Rules of Procedure.
 - (b) In accordance with Rule 34, elections shall be made by
a majority of the members present and voting.
 - (c) Election for each Sub-Commission will be conducted
separately.
 - (d) Ballots

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- (d) Ballots showing the names of all nominees and the countries of which they are nationals will be distributed by the Secretariat.
- (e) Election will be by secret ballot in accordance with Rule 37.
- (f) Members of the Commission will place crosses beside the names of candidates on the ballot forms. Members will vote for not more than a total of seven candidates and not more than one candidate of one nationality. All ballots containing more than seven crosses or having crosses placed against more than one candidate of the same nationality will be declared invalid.
- (g) The Chairman will appoint two tellers from among the members of the Commission.
- (h) The ballots will be collected by members of the Secretariat and deposited on a table in front of the tellers. The tellers will be assisted by members of the Secretariat.
- (i) The tellers will count the ballots, check whether the total number voted for did not exceed seven, and whether no more than one candidate of the same nationality was voted for; both tellers will sign each ballot certifying its validity. The tellers then will read off the names voted for on each valid ballot; these names will be tallied by the members of the Secretariat. The tellers then will check the accuracy of the results. A complete list of candidates with the total number of votes received by each will be prepared, signed by the tellers, and handed to the Chairman.
- (j) The Chairman will announce the results of the first ballot to the Commission.
- (k) If, on the first ballot, less than seven candidates for a Sub-Commission have received the requisite majority of votes,

a second ballot will be held.

(l) The voting on the second ballot will be restricted to the unelected candidates obtaining the greatest number of votes in the first ballot, the number of candidates being not more than twice as many as the places remaining to be filled and excluding all candidates of the same nationality as those candidates elected on the first ballot.

(m) If a number of candidates obtaining the requisite majority is greater than the number of places to be filled the candidates receiving the most votes up to the number of places to be filled shall be considered elected.

(n) If under (m) above there is a tie among those candidates receiving the smallest number of votes there shall be a ballot for the remaining places to be filled among those so tying.

5. After seven members are elected the Chairman will send cables to each elected candidate informing him of his election and requesting a reply by cable not later than 10 June as to whether he accepts the office. This cable will also inform the candidate that in accordance with the terms of reference of the Sub-Commission which state that his election is "subject to the consent of the governments of the countries of which the persons are nationals", his Government will receive a copy of this communication.

6. A copy of the communication under Point 5 will be sent to the Government of the elected candidate stating that unless a reply by cable not later than 10 June is received indicating that the Government does not consent to the election of the candidate, the Commission will assume that the Government consents to the choice of its national as a member of the Sub-Commission.

7. If any of the elected candidates cannot serve, additional elections during the second session of the Commission will be held to fill the vacancy.