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FACT-FINDING SUB-COMMITTEE

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SEVENTH MEETING

Held at Church House on Saturday 11th May 1946  
at 10.30 a.m.

CHAIRMAN: MR. GUIMARAES (Brazil)

Consideration of the draft report of "working party B" as amended  
by the sub-committee (E/Ref/FACT-FINDING/13/Rev.2.)

Various members of the sub-committee proposed further amendments to the report which will be incorporated in a final revised version (see document E/Ref/FACT-FINDING/13/Rev.3.)

Consideration of the draft report of "working party C" (E/Ref/FACT-FINDING/1C.)

MR. TSEEN (China), chairman of "working party C" gave a brief explanation of its draft report. The "working party" had examined the figures submitted by UNRRA, the I.G.C. and the Delegations for the United Kingdom and China. With regard to the numbers of Chinese who had been displaced from their homes in South East Asia, a substantial discrepancy existed between the figures submitted by UNRRA and those of the Chinese Government. This could be traced to the fact that the Chinese list contained an unknown number of persons who had not specified that they wished to return to their places of former residence. The question of Chinese displaced persons from South East Asia had been stressed but naturally account would have to be taken of all refugees from the Far East falling within the definition agreed upon by the Committee. Because of the inadequate information as to the Far Eastern refugee question it was proposed that a recommendation to the Economic and Social Council requesting governments to submit further information, be included in the report of the Committee.

The sub-committee then proceeded to a discussion of the draft report of "working party C" in which several amendments were suggested. It was decided that the Secretariat with the assistance of the Delegate for China would prepare a final revised version of the draft report (see E/Ref/FACT-FINDING/18/Rev.1).

Information received from delegates representing countries of possible resettlement.

The SECRETARY announced that statements had been received from the representatives of the following countries: Australia, Brazil, Canada, New Zealand and the Dominican Republic (E/Ref/FACT-FINDING/11, 14, 17, 19 and E/Ref/32). In addition to this a letter had been received from the Delegate for Peru stating that he had cabled his Government for the relevant information which he would submit to the Secretariat as soon as it arrived.

The CHAIRMAN announced that the above-mentioned documents along with the statement which he as Delegate for Brazil had made before the full Committee on 16 April, would be attached as an annex to the report of the Sub-Committee.

The meeting rose at 1.20 p.m.

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