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WORKING PARTY "A"

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN ON PARAGRAPH (C) OF THE TERMS
OF REFERENCE OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE
(E/REF/FACT-FINDING/1)

To Mr. Guimaraes, Chairman of the Fact-Finding Sub-Committee:

As Chairman of working group "A", I have the honour to submit to you the working group's report on paragraph (c) of the terms of reference of the Sub-Committee, to which I have ventured to give the form of a draft report from the Sub-Committee to the Special Committee on Refugees and Displaced Persons.

(Signed) D. McKILLOP
Chairman Working Party "A"

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DRAFT REPORT OF THE FACT-FINDING SUB-COMMITTEE CONCERNING
PARAGRAPH (C) OF ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE (E/REF/FACT-FINDING/1)

1. The Sub-Committee notes that no action is to be taken under the Resolution of the Economic and Social Council which would be of such a character as to interfere in any way with the surrender and punishment of war criminals, quislings and traitors, in conformity with present or future international arrangements or agreements. The new international body must therefore avoid giving assistance to such groups of persons.

2. In order to ensure the above ends, the Sub-Committee recommends:

(a) That all United Nations Governments should be invited to furnish the authorities concerned with the names and particulars of war criminals, quislings or traitors whose surrender or punishment they claim, together with particulars of their present location so far as known.

(b) That the competent authorities should be urged to speed up the process of screening in order to eliminate war criminals, quislings and traitors from among the displaced persons and refugees.

(c) That the new international body should be furnished with the text of the document known as the Moscow declaration of 1 November 1943 and relating to war criminals and traitors, and with all other available documents containing authoritative interpretations of the terms "war criminals", "quislings", and "traitors", and with the texts

of all future documents relating to war criminals,
quislings and traitors.

(d) That all authorities who are or might be entrusted
with the screening of war criminals, quislings and traitors
should be requested to consider urgently whether the
appointment of further efficient and duly accredited liaison
officers should assist in obtaining a close co-operation
with the governments concerned and in improving the efficiency
of screening.

THE UNITED KINGDOM REPRESENTATIVE DISSENTS FROM THE
FOLLOWING TEXT:

"(e) That it may be considered whether mixed commissions
which may be established in bilateral agreements could
usefully collaborate in examining all data relating to
the screening of war criminals, quislings and traitors".
