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AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT REPORT OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (A/C.2/W.10)

1. Paragraph 6, page 2. Last sentence to be worded as follows:

"The representative of the USSR considered that the majority in the Economic and Social Council had avoided working out broad plans for measures designed to promote the economic reconstruction of the countries of Europe and Asia, preferring to surrender without resistance its rightful prerogatives with regard to Europe in favour of the notorious 'Marshall Plan', despite the fact that the Plan in question by-passed the United Nations and pursued aims which had nothing in common with the aims and tasks of genuine assistance to economically under-developed countries."

2. Paragraph 7, lines 8-9. Delete the sentence beginning "Similar views" and substitute the following sentences:

"Similar views were expressed by the representatives of Belgium, Egypt, Greece, Iraq, Mexico and New Zealand. The representative of Mexico said that a more continuous observation of the economic situation was required in order that the United Nations might be in a position to take action in respect of any possible economic disturbances."

3. Paragraph 7, page 2, lines 10-13 to be worded as follows:

"The representative of the USSR regarded the World Economic Report as possessing some interest, while simultaneously noting that it contained important defects, including, in particular, the absence of information on non-self-governing territories and the presence of erroneous statements concerning the alleged responsibility of the USA for the development of the economy of other countries and the direct dependence of the latter on the USA's prosperity."

4. At the end of paragraph 9 add the following sentences:

"The representative of Brazil considered that a plan for technical assistance to underdeveloped countries should be worked out, similar to

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that which had been developed in connection with social welfare. The representatives of Egypt, Iraq, New Zealand and the United Kingdom also stressed the importance of expert assistance to Member Governments. The representative of Iraq emphasized that the assistance should be on a purely technical basis and should not involve any interference in the countries concerned."

5. Paragraph 11, page 4, line 1 to end of paragraph to be worded as follows:

"The representative of the USSR stated that the 'Marshall Plan' constituted the type of co-operation based on the dominant position of one or several powers in relation to other countries, which thus found themselves in a position of being virtually subordinate powers deprived of their independence. In his view, this type of co-operation was definitely harmful to the cause of the economical reconstruction of European countries and the strengthening of relations of mutual help and friendship between all peace-loving States. The bilateral agreements concluded between the USA and the Western European countries were a concrete example of United States interference in the domestic affairs of countries participating in the 'Marshall Plan' and of the efforts by the United States to establish its domination in those countries. A year's experience of the application of the 'Marshall Plan' had proved beyond doubt that the 'Plan', instead of promoting the economic advance of all European countries, aimed at assisting only such countries as expressed their readiness to subordinate their economy to the Plan's reactionary political aims, including the restoration of Germany's war-economic potential."

6. Paragraph 13, page 4, lines 1-10 to be worded as follows:

"The representative of the USSR said that the work of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East would contain substantial defects as long as a discriminatory system debarring non-self-governing territories from direct participation in the work continued to obtain. The policy of the colonial powers was the basic cause of the economic backwardness and the economic difficulties of the economically underdeveloped Asiatic countries which were dependent on them. It was necessary for the Commission to work out measures of development of national industry, including heavy industry, in the countries of Asia and the Far East and to assist the development of trade on the basis of mutual respect and sovereignty without discrimination of any kind."

7. Paragraph 13, 3 lines from the bottom. Delete "not admitting" and substitute "taking no decision to admit."

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8. Paragraph 13, page 4, antepenultimate and penultimate lines to be worded as follows:

"... and the representative of the USSR spoke of the incorrectness of debarring the Republic of Vietnam likewise from taking part in the Commission's work."

9. Paragraph 16. After the first sentence, insert the following sentence:

"The representative of Syria presented an amendment to this effect to a draft resolution by Haiti (see paragraph 27)."

10. Paragraph 18, page 6. Substitute the following for lines 13-16:

"The representative of the USSR said that the Economic and Social Council was acting against the interests of economically underdeveloped countries and countries which had suffered as a result of war and occupation. This was notably confirmed by the fact that the Geneva and Havana Conferences on Trade and Employment which had been conducted with the Council's assistance had taken place under conditions of inadmissible pressure on the part of certain great powers and their supporters; while the Charter of the International Trade Organization adopted at the Havana Conference was prejudicial to the interests of small countries on questions of tariff policy and imports and furthered the interests of the powerful countries only, imposing furthermore a discriminatory system with regard to non-members of the ITO. All this undermined the basis of trade development and was susceptible of leading to its general contraction."

11. Paragraph 20. Three lines from bottom, after the words "the representatives of" insert the words "Brazil and".

12. Paragraph 20, page 6. The antepenultimate line to be worded as follows:

"... the actions of the Bank, which had placed itself at the service of the 'Marshall Plan'. The representative..."

13. Paragraph 24, line 6. Delete the word "express" and substitute the word "expressed".

14. Paragraph 34, lines 2-3. Delete "they could not accept it because it was their feeling that the war-devastated countries stood in need of loans and" and substitute "while in full agreement with the Iraq amendment, they felt that mention should also be made of the need for loans of the war-devastated countries and of the fact."

15. Paragraph 34, line 6. Delete the words "some of the".