

CABLEGRAM FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION OF
INVESTIGATION CONCERNING GREEK FRONTIER INCIDENTS
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL DATED
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President of Security Council, Dr. Lopez
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Commission concerning Greek Frontier Incidents at its 79th meeting
adopted following directives for Subsidiary Group which is scheduled to
leave for Salonica on or about May 3rd:

"Directive to Subsidiary Group of Balkan Investigation Commission
created pursuant to Security Council Resolution of 18 April 1947.

- I. Pursuant to the Security Council Resolution of 18 April 1947, there is hereby established a Subsidiary Group of the Balkan Investigation Commission, composed of a representative of each of the members of the Commission, with a staff not exceeding one.
- II. The Subsidiary Group shall make its headquarters in Salonica and shall have authority to perform its functions in northern Greece and in such places in other parts of Greece, Albania, Bulgaria, and Yugoslavia as, within the limits of its terms of reference as set out in paragraph V below, it may decide necessary or as directed by the Commission or the Security Council.
- III. The procedure of the Subsidiary Group shall be in conformity with the precedents and practices of the Commission; the Commission recommends that the chairmanship shall be held in rotation in English alphabetical order starting with Australia and changing at weekly intervals.
- IV. Liaison representatives of Greece, Albania, Bulgaria, and Yugoslavia shall be attached to the Subsidiary Group in order to assist it in its work. The staff of a liaison representative shall not exceed one.
- V. The terms of reference of the Subsidiary Group shall, unless subsequently modified by the Commission or the Security Council, be those set out in the Resolution of the Security Council on 19 December 1946 with the following qualifications:

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1. It shall only investigate such incidents as may be brought to its attention which have occurred since 22 March 1947.
 2. It shall not hear evidence which was or could have been available to the main Commission.
 3. No incident shall be investigated nor evidence heard except by formal decision of the Group.
- VI. The Subsidiary Group shall submit its reports to the Commission unless otherwise directed.
- VII. Reports of the Subsidiary Group on any matter investigated by it shall include a verbatim record of the evidence or summary heard. The Subsidiary Group shall render reports on the progress of its work at least once every two weeks.
- VIII. 1. The Secretariat is based on the assumption that it will be called to serve one body (at a time), either the Subsidiary Group or any of its sub-committees which may be established in the performance of its functions.
2. (a) All documents submitted to the Subsidiary Group will be reproduced in one language only (in the language in which these have been submitted).

(b) Communications from private individuals and non-governmental organizations will be handled according to the practice followed hitherto by the Commission.
 3. Summaries taken from meetings of the Subsidiary Group will be made in two languages and the verbatim record of public meetings in English only.

I wish to add the members of the Commission, having acquainted themselves with certain passages of verbatim records of last debate of the Security Council concerning Greece, wish to communicate to you and to the Council that the Commission, pursuant to the Resolution of the Security Council 19 December 1946, are carrying out their duties as entrusted to them by the Security Council and are always ready to carry out such functions as may be prescribed by the Security Council.

J. D. L. Hood,
Chairman of Commission

