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Suggestions and Observations of Governments on the draft Convention

XV. India

The following suggestions and observations, dated 26 June 1951, were received from the Government of India:

"The Government of India have no comments to offer on the 15-nation Committee draft, except that they consider that the text of clause (j) of the corresponding Article in the Geneva draft, reading: "The systematic diffusion of deliberately false or distorted reports which undermine friendly relations between peoples or States," should be included in Article 2. They also prefer the original wording "in the interest of national safety" in clause (a) of the same article.

The Government of India support the recommendation of the Committee that a Conference of Plenipotentiaries should be convened with a view to the framing and signature of a Convention on Freedom of Information."