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COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR CONSULTATION WITH
NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (COUNCIL NGO COMMITTEE)
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

I N T R O D U C T I O N

The Economic and Social Council in its Resolution (No.2/3, 21 June 1946, Official Records, Economic and Social Council, Second Session, page 360) of 21 June 1946, originally issued as document E/43/Rev.2, 1 July 1946), implementing Article 71 of the Charter of the United Nations, established the Committee on Arrangements for Consultation with Non-Governmental Organizations (Council NGO Committee), composed of the President and five members of the Council. The Council subsequently elected China, France, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom and the United States of America as members. The Committee by Resolution No.2/3 was given the duty of reviewing and making recommendations on applications for consultative status submitted by non-governmental organizations. By Resolution No.16 (III) the Committee was also to act as the standing committee referred to in section IV, paragraphs 3 and 5 of Resolution No.2/3, to carry on consultations with organizations given consultative status.

In accordance with the above-mentioned Resolutions, the Council NGO Committee met at Lake Success on 21 and 22 June 1948 under the chairmanship of Mr. Charles Malik and on 23 June 1948 under the acting chairmanship of Mr. T.Y. Wu. The Committee also met at Geneva on 26 July 1948 under the chairmanship of Mr. Charles Malik and on 27, 28 and 29 July 1948 and on 2, and 3 August 1948 under the acting chairmanship of Mr. J.A.C.C. Alexander to consider documents E/C.2-W.10, E/C.2/W.10/Add.1, E/C.2/W.10/Add.2, E/C.2/W.10/Add.3, E/C.2/W.10/Add.3/Corr.1, E/C.2/W.10/Add.4, E/C.2/W.10/Add.5, E/C.2/W.11, E/C.2/W.12, E/C.2/98 and to hear the views of the organizations with consultative status which so requested.

The Committee accordingly submits its Report in five parts for the consideration of the Economic and Social Council:*

1. Part I of the Report of the Committee to the Economic and Social Council - Applications of Non-Governmental Organizations relating to Consultative Status.
2. Part II of the Report - Reconsideration of the Council's Resolution No.57 (IV) on International Non-Governmental Organizations having Members in Spain.

* See also E/C.2/SR.35-39 for meetings at Lake Success and E/C.2/SR.40 and following for meetings at Geneva.

3. Part III of the Report - Functioning of Consultative Arrangements.

4. Part IV of the Report - Resolution of 11 March 1948 of the Economic and Social Council (Communications from the World Jewish Congress - E/710)

5. Part V of the Report - Consultations with Non-Governmental Organizations*

I. PART I OF THE REPORT - APPLICATIONS OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS RELATING TO CONSULTATIVE STATUS.

PART I

The Committee recommends that the Economic and Social Council should adopt the following Resolutions:

1. THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

TAKES NOTE of the Report of its Committee on Arrangements for Consultation with Non-Governmental Organizations (Council NGO Committee) on Applications of Non-Governmental Organizations Relating to Consultative Status (E/ August 1948), and

DECIDES that the following organizations be placed in the category referred to in paragraph 1(b) of Part IV of the Council's Resolution No.2/3 of 21 June 1946:

International Carriage and Van Union (R.I.C.) and the International Wagon Union (R.I.V.) (to be jointly represented)

International Road Transport Union

Pax Romana - International Movement of Catholic Students and the Pax Romana - International Catholic Movement for Intellectual and Cultural Affairs (to be jointly represented) **

* These parts may be separately submitted, in whole or in part, as they become available and as circumstances dictate.

** Note of the Secretariat: The Representative of the U.S.S.R. requested the inclusion at this point of his statement on these two organizations:

Herewith follows the translation of the original statement (E/C.2/SR.W.38, pp.12-13):

*The Representative of the U.S.S.R. proposed that the Pax Romana Organizations should not be given consultative status, since they were connected with Franco Spain and were extremely reactionary Fascist organizations which had actively collaborated with the Germans during the Second World War.

World Union of Mothers (provided that it be represented jointly with the International Union of Family Organizations, which already has category B consultative status.)

AND the following four organizations subject to their conforming to the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council relating to international non-governmental organizations having members in Spain:-

International Air Transport Association;
International Shipping Federation;
International Union of Railways;
Permanent International Association of Navigation Congresses.

2. **ADVISES** the International Federation of Travel Agencies to seek representation through the International Union of Official Travel Organizations, which now has category B consultative status, and

DECIDES that such representation of the International Federation of Travel Agencies shall be valid only if the Federation conforms with the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council concerning international non-governmental organizations having members in Spain.

3. **TAKES NOTE** of the request of the World Jewish Congress to be placed in category (a), and

DECIDES that this organization shall remain in its present category (b) consultative status.

"One of the leaders of that organization was a professor from Naples, Nello Palmiri, a keen collaborationist, who had been notorious for his subservience to the Germans. So much so that Palmiri was included by the Germans in the commission of investigation which went in 1943 to the Forest of Katyn in the Smolensk District, in order to confirm German insinuations. Palmiri signed all the documents submitted to him by the Germans concerning the "bestialities" allegedly perpetrated by the Allies.

"Furthermore, on his return he made statements in the press and at special meetings in Italy which contained unsavoury anti-Soviet fabrications and slander against the U.S.S.R.

"The United Nations was not founded for the purpose of giving consultative status to non-governmental organizations engaged in Fascist activities.

4. CONSIDERING that the Council NGO Committee feels unable to make recommendations concerning the following organizations at the present time, either because they have been recently organized or because further information is desired,

DECIDES that the applications of the following organizations will be reconsidered at a later date:

Auxilium Catholicum Internationale (to be considered at the eighth session of the Council);

Caritas Internationalis (to be considered at the eighth session of the Council);

International Temperance Union (postponed for one year until further information is received);

Oriental Press International Federation (postponed for one year until further information is received.)

5. TAKES NOTE that the Council NGO Committee recommends that consultative status should not be granted to certain organizations as listed in its Report.

6. DECIDES not to grant consultative status to those organizations

HAVING REGARD to paragraph 2 of Part I of its Resolution No. 95(V) of 13 August 1947 by which consultative status was granted to the International Federation for Housing and Town Planning subject to the exclusion of its Spanish affiliates and to its Resolution (No. 133 (VI), B) of 4 March 1948 by which this organization was required to take this action, "by the next session of the Council", i.e. the seventh session).

TAKES NOTE of the fact that the International Federation of Housing and Town Planning has excluded its Spanish affiliates, and that this organization thus having met the requirements of the Council, now has consultative status in category B*

PART II

The Council NGO Committee considered the applications of the organizations listed below and decided that it should not recommend consultative status either because these organizations can more appropriately be brought into consultation with one or another of the specialized agencies or other inter-governmental organizations or because these organizations

The Council NGO Committee still has under consideration the applications of several organizations and expects to be able to report to the Council on these applications shortly after 15 August 1948.

do not meet the requirements laid down in the Council's Resolution of 21 June 1946;

Baha'i Community;
International Committee for Mental Hygiene;
International Committee of Scientific Managements;
International Federation of Home Economics;
International Orient-Occident League;
International Peasant Union;
Kiwanis International;
The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist;
The Teams of Peace-Workers (Equipes de la Paix)
~~The United Christian Youth Movement;~~
World Federation of Sepharadi Communities;
World Spiritual Council.

The Committee also decided that the European Union of Federalists and the World Movement for World Federal Government should not be granted consultative status since these two organizations feel unable to accept the decision of the Council that they be given consultative status subject to their being jointly represented.