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PROVISIONAL TRUSTEESHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

Note by the Secretariat

At its third session, the Transport and Communications Commission was informed that the Economic and Social Council had considered the suggestions the Commission had formulated in respect of the section of the Provisional Trusteeship Questionnaire relating to transport and communications matters, together with suggestions and comments from its other functional commissions; and that the Council had decided to transmit the reports of the functional commissions, as well as the summary records of the Economic and Social Council meetings at which these reports had been considered, to the Trusteeship Council so as to have the latter informed, when revising the Provisional Questionnaire, of the point of view of the various functional commissions and of the Economic and Social Council itself.

The question of revising the Provisional Questionnaire was considered by the Trusteeship Council at the beginning of its fourth session. It was decided that a Committee should be created to study this question, and that the President would announce the composition of the committee later. However, towards the end of the fourth session, the Trusteeship Council decided not to set up the committee at that session, and to postpone the revision of the Provisional Questionnaire until the fifth session. Finally, at the opening of the fifth session, the Trusteeship Council decided to postpone this question further until its sixth session in order to give the administering authorities, the specialized agencies and the Economic and Social Council more time in which to submit their additional suggestions.

According to the most recent information at the disposal of the Secretariat, the requested additional suggestions from the bodies mentioned above have not yet reached the Trusteeship Council, and it is therefore possible that the latter will

at its sixth session (to be held in Geneva from January to approximately April 1950) once more postpone the examination of the matter. However, the Secretariat will not fail to bring to the attention of the Commission any more definite information concerning further developments, if such were to become available before the Commission's fourth session.
