

ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

CORRIGENDUM TO THE SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SEVENTEENTH MEETING

Lake Success, New York
Wednesday, 3 March 1948, at 10.30 a.m.

Intervention of Mr. CAMPOS (Brazil)

On page 11, third line from the bottom, replace paragraph 1 by the following: "Was the case under consideration of general international economic interest, or at least of regional interest, or was it purely bilateral in nature?"

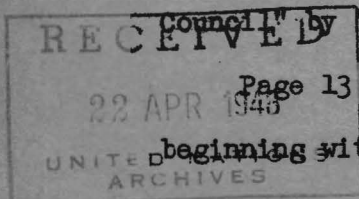
Page 12 - Replace paragraph 3, on the second line, by the following: "Was the problem one of substantial importance or, on the contrary, was it a problem or dispute of minor character which could be held as incidental to the performance, by the Council, of its functions under Articles 55 and 62 of the Charter?"

Page 12 - On the ninth line, replace "make recommendations under the terms of Article 62 of the Charter" by "could not appropriately examine the matter under the terms of Article 62 of the Charter".

Page 13 - On line 10, replace "but merely the question whether the dispute had an important economic aspect" by "merely the question whether or not there was an issue of international economic policy primarily involved".

Page 13 - On lines 17 and 18, replace "Economic and Social Council" by "Security Council".

Page 13 - On line 21 and following, replace the paragraph beginning with "It was provided, moreover," up to "the judicial



organs of the United Nations" by the following paragraph: "Nowhere, however, in the Charter was the jurisdiction of the Economic and Social Council established as regards disputes. In the absence of any express provision for compulsory jurisdiction, the parties could by common consent have recourse to an arbitrator. The intervention of the Economic and Social Council would be justified only if there were express provision in some international agreement or convention, such as for instance an agreement establishing a specialized agency. It must be recalled however that in discussions leading to the creation of the specialized agencies, the thesis that the Economic and Social Council might act as an arbitration agency in commercial disputes was rejected, on the ground that such a function was not consistent with the functions attributed to the Council under the Charter and that resort should be had to the regular juridical organ of the United Nations, that is to say, the International Court of Justice."

Page 13 - On the 8th line from the bottom, add after "Members of the United Nations" the following words "..., and disagreements had arisen as to its implementation."

Page 13 - 4th line from the bottom: Add after "Council" the words "..., only if the word "dispute" were understood in this limited connotation".

Page 14 - Replace the first paragraph by the following: "Even if a question were within the competence of the economic and social organs of the United Nations, this did not mean that all procedures for giving effect to their decisions would also be within their competence. Thus, although the stoppage of conflicts was conducive to economic and social betterment, for which the Economic and Social Council was responsible, it did not follow that the Council was competent to implement its objectives by stopping or by settling ...

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disputes. The appropriate method of action for the Economic and Social Council was the method of recommendations which fulfilled the following characteristics: "recommendations on matters of international economic and social policy and recommendations of a non-judicial nature."
