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REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN
OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES
SET UP BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
DURING ITS THIRD SESSION.

On 17 September 1946, the Committee of the Whole on Refugees of the Economic and Social Council decided to set up a Sub-Committee consisting of representatives of CANADA, CHINA, COLOMBIA, FRANCE, LEBANON, PERU, UKRAINE, U.S.S.R., UNITED KINGDOM, UNITED STATES and YUGOSLAVIA to study the documents relating to amendments to the Constitution of the International Refugee Organization and relating to the report of the Committee on the Finances of the I.R.O., together with the Report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations concerning the initiation of the work of the I.R.O.

The Sub-Committee was directed to report to the Council by Monday, 23 September 1946. The Sub-Committee was able to finish its work on Friday, 20 September.

I have the honour to submit to the Council the Draft Constitution of the I.R.O., as amended by the Sub-Committee (document E/161).

The Sub-Committee found that insufficient time was at its disposal for a thorough examination of the Report of the Committee on Finances, and of the budgets and scales of contribution proposed therein, and consequently adopted the following recommendations:-

Recommendation 1: that the Economic and Social Council refer Article X, Finance, (former Article IX) of the Draft Constitution to the General Assembly for consideration in the light of decisions to be taken concerning the budgets of the I.R.O., and the scales of contribution to these budgets.

Recommendation 2: that the Economic and Social Council appoint a small ad hoc Committee of the Council to review promptly the provisional Administrative and Operational Budgets, proposed by the Committee on

Finances of the I.R.O., and matters relating to assistance to the overseas Chinese, in the light of later information and of the observations already submitted in writing by Member Governments.

Recommendation 3: that the Secretary-General be authorized to send the revised estimates to the Member Governments prior to the convening of the Second Part of the First Session of the General Assembly.

Recommendation 4: that, in view of the recommendations contained in Section 3 of the Report of the Committee on Finances of the I.R.O., (Document E/Ref.Fin./23) concerning scales of contributions to the budgets of the I.R.O., this section of the Report be referred to the General Assembly in order that the provisional scales of contributions set forth in this document may be reviewed in the light of the report of the standing committee on contributions as accepted by the General Assembly at the second part of its first Session.

In view of these recommendations, it was thought desirable that consideration of the Report of the Secretary-General concerning the initiation of the work of the I.R.O. also be postponed to a later occasion during the present session of the Council.

PAUL MARTIN,
Chairman.

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