

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS

PROPOSAL OF THE DELEGATE OF THE U.S.S.R.
REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEES

Sub-committee No.1, to define the terms "Refugee" and "Displaced Person" is already created and at work.

The duties recommended to Sub-committee No.2 consist in working out the following problems:

1. collecting information about the number, composition and condition of refugees and displaced persons in various camps and countries;
2. establishing the reasons for non-return to their country of origin of persons who desire to return;
3. ascertaining the facts concerning the presence of war criminals and quislings among the refugees and displaced persons, and recommending to the new specialized agency their immediate segregation and their being handed over to the countries where their crimes were committed;
4. establishing the procedure for collecting relevant information about war criminals, quislings and traitors from the governments whose nationals they are.

Sub-committee No.3 should examine and make a report to the committee on the following questions:

1. the settling of the nature of the new specialized international agency which will deal with the problems of refugees and displaced persons;
2. the establishment of:
 - (a) the status,
 - (b) the name,

- (c) the composition of the directing body of the agency,
 - (d) the composition of the staff of the executive body,
 - (e) the location of its headquarters;
3. the determining of its budget, its sources and rules of financing;
 4. the working out of rules and of time limits for the repatriation, temporary relief and resettlement of refugees and displaced persons;
 5. the determining of the number of refugees who are due for dispersal and resettlement;
 6. the ascertaining of the possibilities as to which countries can receive refugees and displaced persons, in what numbers and in what group sizes and determining the conditions for assuring this.

I consider that the above Sub-Committees will meet with the wishes of all the Delegates who have spoken previously, and we may then hope that they will successfully complete an important work for our future organization.

It would seem to me that the composition of these Sub-Committees must not exceed 9 - 11 members, for the sake of productive work. This will allow each Sub-Committee to appoint 2 - 3 commissions for working on special questions.
