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THE GOVERNMENTS represented at the United Nations Conference on International Organization in the city of San Francisco,

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Having this day signed the Charter of the United Nations, and

Having decided that, pending the coming into force of the Charter and the establishment of the United Nations as provided in the Charter, a Preparatory Commission of the United Nations should be established for the performance of certain functions and duties,

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8. The Government of the United States of America shall be the temporary depository and shall have custody of the original document embodying these interim arrangements in the five languages in which it is signed. Duly certified copies thereof shall be transmitted to the governments of the signatory states. The Government of the United States of America shall transfer the original to the Executive Secretary on his appointment.

9. This document shall be effective as from this date, and shall remain open for signature by the states entitled to be the original Members of the United Nations until the Commission is dissolved in accordance with paragraph 7.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, the undersigned representatives having been duly authorized for that purpose, sign this document in the English, French, Chinese, Russian, and Spanish languages, all texts being of equal authenticity.

at / DONE in the city of San Francisco this            day of June, one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

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June 23, 1945

This proof is a true copy of Interim Resolution set forth in Doc. 1165 ST/15 (1), English, June 23, 1945, with minor style changes as marked on the attached English Doc. 1165 ST/15 (1).

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