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43 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 77 BOOKS FROM YODIN STOP 1  
 16TH MEETING HELD AFTERNOON OF 20TH STOP 2 MORNINGS DISCUSSION  
 CONTINUED STOP FRANCE WILDLY OPPOSED OUR PROPOSAL ON BASIS  
 OF TYING HANDS OF FUTURE DG STOP US MADE EXCELLENT  
 STATEMENT SUPPORTING US AS DID UK STOP NETHERLANDS AGREED WITH

FRANCE ADDING THAT ALTHOUGH EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OR DG COULD  
 APPLY PRINCIPLE OF STATUS QUO PREPARATORY COMMISSION SHOULD  
 NOT EMBODY SUCH PRINCIPLE IN A RESOLUTION STOP NORWAY STATED  
 I MIGHT BE DESIRABLE AND EVEN NECESSARY TO EMPLOY UNRRA AND IGC  
 STAFF BUT OTHERWISE OPPOSED OUR PROPOSAL AS GOING TOO FAR STOP

GALE MADE LUCID REBUTTAL EXPLAINING THAT OUR PROPOSAL WAS DESIGNED  
 TO HOLD HOLD STAFF AND THAT IT APPLIED ONLY TO THOSE TAKEN OVER  
 AND ONLY FOR THE DURATION OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT NOT TO EXCEED  
 SIX MONTHS ALTHOUGH GALE WILLING TO ACCEPT ONLY THREE  
 MONTHS GUARANTEE STOP UK CAME STRONGLY TO OUR

SUPPORT POINTING OUT THAT IT WAS ESSENTIAL TO HOLD  
 STAFF WHO ARE SO GOOD THAT THEY HAVE OTHER EMPLOYMENT  
 POSSIBILITIES AS THESE ARE THE ONES IRO WILL WANT STOP  
 NETHERLANDS AMENDMENT CHANGED QUOTE CONDITIONS OF SERVICE UNQUOTE  
 TO QUOTE BASIC SALARIES UNQUOTE AND QUOTE SIX MONTHS UNQUOTE  
 TO QUOTE THREE

MONTHS UNQUOTE ADOPTED BY SIX VOTES FOR NORWAY AGAINST AND US  
 ABSTAINING STOP US WISHED DELETION OF WORD QUOTE BASIC  
 UNQUOTE STOP 3 COMMISSION ACCEPTED UNRRA PROPOSAL THAT  
 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY SHOULD PLAN IRO OPERATIONS ON ALTERNATIVE  
 BASES OF 100=0/0 AND 74=0/0 IF BUDGET BEING AVAILABLE  
 STOP 4 ITEMS 12 13

AND 14 OF FINAL AGENDA DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT SESSION  
 STOP 5 ALTMAYER NOMINATED BY US FOR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
 SECONDED BY UK STOP BOTH STATED SELECTION ON BASIS OF  
 QUALIFICATIONS NOT NATIONALITY AND THAT THIS NOMINATION IN NO  
 WAY PREJUDICED SELECTION OF FUTURE DG STOP SUPPORTED BY CANADA  
 AND FRANCE STOP

ELECTED UNANIMOUSLY STOP 6 GENERALLY AGREED THAT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
 AND STAFF WILL OPERATE FROM GENEVA STOP COMMISSION WILL RECESS  
 AND RECONVENE AS SECOND PART OF FIRST SESSION ON 15 APRIL  
 AT GENEVA ALTHOUGH THERE IS  
 POSSIBILITY OF PARIS STOP 7 FRIDAY BEING DEVOTED TO CONSIDERATION

OF RAPORTEURS REPORT STOP THEREFORE THIS IS LAST ROUTINE CABLE  
 STOP = TYLER ++++

FIGS 43 77 1 16TH 20TH 2 3 100=0/0 74=0/0 4 12 13 14 5  
 6 15 7 ++++

AUTO HOPSON ++++

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39 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 72 ROCKS FROM YOU DIN STOP 1 17TH  
MEETING HELD MORNING OF 20TH STOP 2 CILENTO REPORTED ON  
TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH CORDIER OF UN WHO STATED THAT

(A) SECRETARY GENERAL BELIEVED PREPARATORY COMMISSION SHOULD  
TAKE ITS OWN APPEAL TO GOVERNMENTS TO SIGN AND RATIFY  
CONSTITUTION BUT HE IS WILLING TO ACT AS CHANNEL (B)  
SECRETARY GENERAL PROVISIONALLY NOT REPEAT NOT WILLING TO  
ADVANCE EVEN 100,000 DOLLARS BECAUSE OF UNCERTAINTY OF IRO  
ALTHOUGH HE IS WILLING TO MAKE MODEST ADVANCES FROM TIME TO  
TIME AND TO FURNISH UN SERVICE (C PRESUMABLY AT GENEVA  
UNTIL FUTURE OF IRO MORE CERTAIN OR PREPARATORY COMMISSION  
COULD FINANCE ITSELF STOP OK AND US BOTH INDICATED  
THEIR DISSATISFACTION WITH THIS POSITION AND STATED THIS MATTER  
WOULD BE DISCUSSED BY THEIR GOVERNMENTS WITH SECRETARY GENERAL

STOP US MOST FORCEFUL STOP NETHERLANDS STRONGLY  
CRITICISED BOTH CILENTO AND LIE STOP FRANCE ASCERTAINED THAT  
CILENTO HAD PREVIOUSLY COMMUNICATED WITH SECRETARY GENERAL  
PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF COMMISSIONS CABLE MENTIONED PARA 2 OF  
REPORT ON 15TH MEETING STOP FRANCE MADE STRONG STATEMENT  
INCLUDING CASTIGATION OF CILENTO STOP NORWAY STATED GOVERNMENT  
WILL BE ASKED TO USE ALL ITS INFLUENCE TO PURSUADE SECRETARY  
GENERAL TO GIVE FAVOURABLE DECISION STOP MATTER GENERALLY  
CONSIDERED TO BE STILL OPEN AS SECRETARY GENERAL HIMSELF  
HAS NOT YET RECEIVED TEXT OF CABLE OR HAD TIME TO GIVE  
MATTER SERIOUS CONSIDERATION STOP 3 GALE MADE EXCELLENT STATEMENT  
INTRODUCING UNRRA PROPOSAL FOR SIX MONTHS STATUS QUO FOR  
PERSONNEL TAKEN OVER BY IRO STOP HE EMPHASISED THAT UNRAS  
ONLY DESIRE WAS TO HELP IRO AND STATED WE WERE

PREPARED TO TRANSFER FUNDS SET ASIDE FOR REPATRIATION OF STAFF  
TO EXTENT STAFF TAKEN OVER BY IRO STOP EMERSON MADE  
SIMILAR STATEMENT ON BEHALF IGC AND SUPPORTED OUR POSITION  
STOP DISCUSSION TO BE CONTINUED STOP = TYLER +++++

FIGS 39 72 1 17TH 20TH 2 (A) (B) 100,000 C 2 15TH

3 IGC +++++

AUTO HOPSON +++++



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38 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 70 BOOKS FROM YODIN STOP

1. 16TH MEETING HELD NIGHT OF 19TH STOP

2. CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION OF BUDGET AND FINANCIAL AND STAFF  
REGULATIONS FOR THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION AND ITS SECRETARIAT  
STOP FINALLY ADOPTED TWO US RESOLUTIONS INSTRUCTING EXECUTIVE  
SECRETARY TO PREPARE FOR APPROVAL AT

SECOND SESSION BUDGET BASED ON TOTAL OF 250.000 DOLLARS AND  
AUTHORISING HIM TO SPEND UP TO 100.000 DOLLARS THROUGH SECOND  
SESSION SUBJECT TO SUBSEQUENT APPROVAL BY COMMISSION ALSO  
AUTHORISED EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO ESTABLISH FINANCIAL AND  
STAFF REGULATIONS SALARY SCALES ETC STOP

3. COMMISSION ADOPTED UK RESOLUTION DIRECTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
TO

STUDY AND REPORT ON PROBLEM OF GIVING LEGAL AND POLITICAL PROTECTION  
TO CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF REFUGEES STOP = TYLER ++++

~~370~~ 1. 16TH 19TH 2. 250.000 100.000 3. ++++++

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37 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 69 ROOKS FROM YODIN STOP 1 15TH  
MEETING HELD AFTERNOON OR 19TH STOP 2 COMMISSION APPROVED  
TEXT OF CABLE ASKING SECRETARY GENERAL IN STRONGEST TERMS  
TO ADVANCE 250.000 DOLLARS TO EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO  
COVER EXPENSES UNTIL 30 JUNE STOP 3 COMMISSION AUTHORISED  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO ENGAGE STAFF WITHIN LIMITS OF  
FUNDS AVAILABLE AND ALSO TO BORROW FROM GOVERNMENTS AND  
INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES STOP = TYLER +

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36. ORIGINSL TO WASHINGTON 68 ROOKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP 1. 14TH  
MEETING HELD MORNING OF 19TH STOP 2. US PROPOSED RESOLUTION  
ASKING SECRETARY GENERAL TO ADVANCE ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS  
TO EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO COVER EXPENSES THROUGH SECOND SESSION  
STOP NETHERLANDS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE BUT THOUGHT SUM SHOULD

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BE LARGER AND COVER ENTIRE PREPARATORY PERIOD STOP FRANCE  
SUPPORTED US STOP GALE INDICATED IN ADDITION TO THIS ADVANCE  
EXECUTIVE ~~SECRETARY~~ SECRETARY COULD COUNT ON LOAN OF SOME UNRRA  
PERSONNEL STOP EMERSON THOUGHT IGC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WOULD  
AGREE TO LOAN SOME IGC STAFF STOP NORWAY PROPOSED THAT  
SECRETARY GENERAL SHOULD BE

G393 UNR P3/50 =

ASKED TO LOAN UN PERSONNEL STOP UK AGREED WITH NETHERLANDS  
REGARDING LARGER ADVANCE STOP ALSO POINTED OUT THAT  
WHETHER ON LOAN OR HIRE BASIS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MUST HAVE FINAL  
WORD IN SELECTION OF HIS STAFF STOP FRANCE AGREED WITH UK ON  
LATTER POINT STOP CILENTO POINTED OUT DIFFICULTIES WHICH FACE



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SECRETARY GENERAL PARTICULARLY AS REGARDS OPPOSITION FROM CERTAIN  
GOVERNMENTS STOP US FRANCE AND UK INDICATED THERE WAS NO  
ALTERNATIVE BUT LOAN FROM UN WORKING FUND AND THAT SECRETARY  
GENERAL HAD LEGAL AUTHORITY AND MORAL DUTY TO MAKE ADVANCE STOP  
US UK FRANCE AND NETHERLANDS WILL DRAFT CABLE TO SECRETARY GENERAL  
STOP = TYLER +

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TO: UNRRA WASHINGTON

TO BE REPEATED TO UNRRA LONDON

66 repeated to London 34 Rooks from Davidson STOP 1. Thirteenth meeting held afternoon of 18th STOP 2. Amended Resolution on Italy adopted STOP PAREN See report on twelfth meeting PAREN STOP 3. Commission adopted French Resolution directing Executive Secretary to plan method of carrying out ninety day food provision of Constitution STOP 4. Commission adopted slightly modified French Resolution directing Executive Secretary to study and report on DP problems in Far and Middle East STOP

19th February, 1947.

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TO: UNRRA LONDON

34 Original to Washington 66 Rooks from Davidson STOP 1.  
Thirteenth meeting held afternoon of 18th STOP 2. Amended  
Resolution on Italy adopted STOP PAREN See report on twelfth  
meeting PAREN STOP 3. Commission adopted French Resolution  
directing Executive Secretary to plan method of carrying out  
ninety day food provision of Constitution STOP 4. Commission  
adopted slightly modified French Resolution directing Executive  
Secretary to study and report on DP problems in Far and Middle  
East STOP

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32 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 64 ROCKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP 1.  
11TH MEETING HELD AFTERNOON OF 17TH STOP 2. MORNINGS DISCUSSION  
CONTINUED STOP NETHERLANDS PROPOSED COMPROMISE WHICH WOULD  
REQUIRE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO STUDY PROBLEM OF STANDARDS  
OF CARE AND SUBMIT REPORT THEREON TO SECOND SESSION STOP UK  
SUPPORTED NETHERLANDS COMPROMISE ~~AD XXXX~~ AS DID US WITH CERTAIN  
MODIFICATIONS STOP AMENDED RESOLUTION ADOPTED STOP POINTS  
5 6 AND 7 OF PREP/W/16 ACCEPTED WITH ~~MINOR~~ MINOR TEXTUAL  
CHANGES STOP 3. FRANCE RAISED QUESTION OF INDIGENOUS SUPPLIES  
AND SERVICES IN GERMANY AND EXPRESSED VIEW THAT EVERYTHING FURNISHED  
FROM GERMAN ECONOMY WAS TO BE PROVIDED FREE TO IRO  
STOP US THOROUGHLY AGREED AND EMPHASISED ~~THE~~ IRO BUDGET AS  
REGARDS GERMANY WAS SUPPLEMENTARY AND ~~DESIGNED~~ DESIGNED TO  
MEET HARD CURRENCY REQUIREMENTS STOP =

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FIG 32/64 1, 11TH 17TH 2, 5 6 7 PREP/W/16 2

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31 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 63 ROOKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP 1.  
TENTH MEETING HELD MORNING OF 17TH STOP 2. DISCUSSION  
MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH ( 3 ) OR REPORT ON 9TH MEETING  
CONTINUED STOP BASIC DOCUMENTS ARE PREP/W/13 AND PREP/W/16



WHICH HAVE BEEN AIRMAILED STOP IN GENERAL POINTS ONE TSO  
XXX TWO AND THREE WERE ADOPTED AS IN LATTER DOCUMENT EXCEPT  
FOR NETHERLANDS AMENDMENT TO 2 ( C ) WHICH PROVIDES FOR

ESTABLISHMENT OR SMALL STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT ON STAFF OF  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY STOP CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION ON POINT FOUR  
QUOTE STANDSXXX STANDARDS OF CARE UNQUOTE STOP FRANCE AND US  
WERE IN FAVOUR OF HAVING WITHIN EACH COUNTRY ONE STANDARD  
TO BE NUTRITIONALLY ADEQUATE AND NOT LESS THAN INDIGENOUS  
POPULATION STOP UK AND NORWAY OPPOSED STOP EMERSON IN  
FAVOUR OF ONE STANDARD ONLY IF SUFFICIENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE  
BUT SINCE THIS MOST UNLIKELY HE WAS OPPOSED STOP IN ANY  
EVENT HE FELT STANDARD SHOULD BE THAT OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE  
AND NOT OF GENERAL STANDARD OF LIVING IN A COUNTRY STOP

DISCUSSION TO BE CONTINUED STOP = TYLER +  
FIGS 31 63 1+ ~~11~~ 1. 17TH 2. ( 3 ) 9TH  
PREP/W/13 PREP/W/16 2 ( C ) +++

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30 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 62 ROOKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP 1 9TH  
MEETING 4D AFTERNOON OF 15TH STOP 2 DISCUSSED US RESOLUTION  
ON DP PROBLEM IN ITALY ( SEE PARA 3 OF REPORT OF 7TH MEETING )  
STOP AFTER SEVERAL AMENDMENTS WERE PROPOSED IT WAS DECIDED TO  
ASK NETHERLANDS TO BRING IN REDRAFT AT LATER MEETING STOP 3  
COMMISSION RETURNED TO ITEM MENTIONED IN PARA 3 OF REPORT ON  
8TH MEETING STOP MOST OF DISCUSSION REVOLVED AROUND TEXTUAL  
MATTERS STOP DISCUSSION TLXXXX TO BE CONTINUED MONDAY STOP=

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29 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 61 ROOKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP 1 8TH MEETING  
HELD MORNING OF 15TH STOP 2 CHARIMAN CALLED ON GALE FOR STATEMENT  
RE CENTRAL TRACING BUREAU IN GERMANY STOP GALE FIRST REVIEWED  
PRESENT SITUATION INDICATING THAT REDUCTION WAS DUE TO FACT  
THAT WE HAD INSUFFICIENT FUNDS TO MAINTAIN CTB ON PREVIOUS SIZE  
AND THAT WE WERE ENDEAVOURING TO REDUCE TO SIZE IRO COULD MAINTAIN  
STOP HE REPORTED ON NEGOTIATIONS TO MOVE CTB TO BERLIN AND  
REASONS THEREFOR STOP HE ALSO SAID THAT UNRRA HAD NO REPEAT  
NO INTENTION DISCONTINUE CTB PRIOR 30 JUNE STOP AS REGARDS  
FUTURE GALE POINTED OUT THAT PRESENT OPERATIONS NEEDED  
REORGANISATION AND COORDINATION STOP FURTHERMORE HE SAID IT  
APPEARED UNLIKELY THAT IRO WOULD HAVE ADEQUATE

FUNDS TO MAINTAIN FULL OPERATIONS IN PRESENT FIELD  
STOP FRANCE EMPHASISED IMPORTANCE OF PRESENT ACTIVITIES AND  
SAID FRENCH GOVERNMENT WOULD GIVE ALL POSSIBLE AID TO ENABLE  
UNRRA TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS UNTIL 30 JUNE BUT DIDNOT WANT OPERATIONS  
CURTAILED STOP AS FOR FUTURE FRANCE SAID IRO MUST CONDUCT PRESENT  
OPERATIONS STOP NETHERLANDS SUPPORTED FRANCE BUT ENQUIRED (A)

WHETHER CTB WAS NOT MORE AND MORE BECOMING CONCERNED WITH DEAD  
PEOPLE AND THEREFORE SHOULD BE SEVERED FROM IRO AND (B)

WHETHER OTHER ORGANISATION SUCH AS INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS COULD  
NOT DO THE WORK STOP CHARIMAN ASKED FRANCE IN

CONSULTATION WITH NETHERLANDS AND UNRRA TO DRAW

UP FOR LATER CONSIDERATION DRAFT DIRECTIVE TO EXECUTIVE

SECRETARY ON TRACING STOP 3 COMMISSION NEXT CONSIDERED 8 (B)

OF APPROVED AGENDA STOP FRANCE INTRODUCED PAPER CONTAINING

DRAFT DIRECTIVES TO EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON VARIOUS POINTS

INCLUDING CONSULTATION WITH EXISTING ORGANISATIONS COLLECTION OF

STATISTICS STANDARDS OF CARE SUPPLY PROBLEMS ETC STOP UK SUBMITTED

AMENDMENTS WHICH WERE PARTLY SUBSTANTIVE AND PARTLY TEXTUAL STOP

COMMISSION ADJOURNED TO ALLOW TIME TO EXAMINE THESE AND OTHER

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28 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON 60 BOOKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP 1 7TH MEETING  
HELD AFTERNOON OF 14TH STOP 2 CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION OF  
EMERSONS DRAFT DIRECTIVE REFERRED TO IN REPORT OF 6TH MEETING  
STOP FINALLY ADOPTED WITH TEXTUAL CHANGES STOP 3 DISCUSSED SECRETARIAT  
PROPOSAL THAT OWING URGENT NATURE REFUGEE PROBLEM IN ITALY  
ARISING FROM TROOP WITHDRAWAL UNDER PEACE TREATY THE COMMISSION  
ITSELF SHOULD TAKE OVER OPERATIONS THERE STOP US STATED MATTER  
BEING DEALT WITH BY COMPETENT GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL  
AGENCIES STOP THEREFORE NO ACTION BY COMMISSION ON NECESSARY NOW  
STOP UK AGREED AND EMPHASISED DIFFICULTY OF COMMISSION ENTERING  
INTO OPERATIONS ESPECIALLY OWING TO LACK OF FUNDS STOP FRANCE CALLED  
ON GALE FOR STATEMENT RE UNRRAS CURRENT OPERATIONS IN ITALY STOP  
GALE GAVE ROUGH ESTIMATES AND NUMBERS OF DPS INCLUDING UNRRA  
AC AND AT LARGE STOP HE INDICATED THAT NEGOTIATIONS WERE  
UNDER WAY TO PROVIDE CARE THROUGH JUNE BUT POINTED OUT TRANSIT  
FACTOR BOTH CONTROLLED AND UNCONTROLLED WHICH MAKES FOR  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIFFICULTY AND HIGH OVERHEADS STOP HE INDICATED THAT  
LIRE FUND AND ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MIGHT HELP IN PROBLEM AFTER  
1 JULY ESPECIALLY IF ITALY WERE ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN IRO  
STOP UK STATED BRITISH ARE CONDUCTING INTENSIVE SCREEINING  
OPERATION WHICH WILL RESULT IN MANY WAR CRIMINALS SUCH AS  
USTACHI BEING TURNED OVER TO GOVERNMENTS OF THEIR  
COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN STOP CILENTO DEFENDED SECRETARIATS  
PROPOSAL ON GROUNDS THAT UNRRAS SUPPLY PROGRAMME WILL TERMINATE  
IN APRIL AND TROOPS WILL BE LARGELY WITHDRAWN PRIOR 30 JUNE  
STOP GALE REPLIED THAT ITALIAN SUPPLY PROBLEM WAS UNDER  
ACTIVE DISCUSSION WITH GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED STOP US PROPOSED  
RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD RECOGNISE URGENCY OF PROBLEM AND ASKED  
GOVERNMENTS IGC AND UNRRA TO CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS STOP SUPPORTED  
BY UK STOP CHAIRMAN ASKED US TO DRAFT AN APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION  
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7 ORIGINAL TO WASHINGTON NO 79 (BOOKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP  
6TH MEETING RECD. MEETING OF 14TH STOP 2 COMMISSION  
GREGG ON TEXT OF PABLE TO TRYGVE LVE REQUESTING HIM  
O COMUXXX COMMUNICATE WITH ALL MEMBERS AT ALL UN MEMBERS  
RGING THEM TO SIGN AND RATIFY IRO CONSTITUTION STOP 3



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COMMISSION NEXT CONSIDERED EMERSONS PAPER ON STATUS OF  
REPARATION FUND STOP AFTER CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION OF  
DETAIL THE CHAIRMAN SUGGESTED THAT THE COMMISSION  
ADOPT A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE EXECUTIVE  
SECRETARY TO STUDY THE PROBLEM OF THE REPARATION FUND  
AND IN CONSULTATION WITH IGC SUBMIT TO COMMISSION AT  
SECOND MEETING A PLAN

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FOR TRANSFER OF IGC'S RESPONSIBILITIES TO IRO STOP  
WARMLY SUPPORTED BY EMERSON STOP US SUGGESTED  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BE GIVEN A DIRECTIVE SUPPORTED  
BY UK WHICH CALLED ON EMERSON TO SUBMIT DRAFT  
DIRECTIVE STOP EMERSON READ ROUGH DRAFT ALONG LINES INDICATED  
ABOVE STOP FINAL ACTION TO BE CONSIDERED LATER STOP =  
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26 ORIGINAL ~~TO~~ TO WASHINGTON 58 ROCKS FROM DAVIDSON STOP  
1 FIFTH MEETING HELD AFTERNOON OF 13-TH STOP 2 DISCUSSED AGENDA  
ITEM 7 (C) WHICH WAS ITEM 9 (C) OF ORIGINAL PROVISIONAL  
AGENDA STOP FRANCE STATED THIS MATTER OUTSIDE SCOPE OF COMMISSION  
AND BELONGED TO OCCUPYING POWERS ~~45~~ = 50 =

STOP SUPPORTED BY NETHERLANDS COMMA UK COMMA US STOP COMMISSION  
AGREE TO PASS TO NEXT POINT OF AGENDA STOP 3 COMMISSION NEXT  
DISCUSSED AGENDA ITEM 8 (A) FORMER ITEM 11 (A) STOP US ENQUIRED  
WHAT STEPS UN SECRETARIAT HAD TAKEN TO TRY TO GET ~~GENERAL~~  
TO SIGN IRO = 100 =

CONSTITUTION STOP CILENTO REPORTED ON STEPS TAKEN WHICH US CONSIDERED  
INADEQUATE STOP UK PROPOSED RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD REQUIRE  
SECRETARY GENERAL OF UN TO MAKE APPEAL TO GOVERNMENTS  
WHICH HAD VOTED FOR CONSTITUTION TO SIGN OR RATIFY AS THE CASE  
MAY BE STOP CILENTO POINTED OUT THIS WAS PART OF GENERAL = 150 =

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION OF 15 DECEMBER STOP FRANCE SUPPORTED US AND UK ~~ST~~  
~~XXXX~~ BUT SAID APPROACHES MUST BE MADE TO ALL UN MEMBERS STOP

NETHERLANDS SUPPORTED FRANCE AND UK BUT FELT RESOLUTION WAS  
NOT E-OUGH STOP NORWAY SUPPORTED UK AND STATED NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT  
WAS GOING TO ASK PARLIAMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE = 200 =

TO RATIFY CONSTITUTION STOP WITHOUT MENTIONING NAMES GALE CITED  
JACKSONS EFFORTS IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND STOP US SUPPORTED  
FRANCE AND UK BUT EMPHASISED THAT APPEAL MUST BE SENT TO ALL

UN MEMBERS STOP UK AGREED STOP CHAIRMAN ASKED UK TO SUBMIT  
SOONEST TEXT OF COMMISSIONS CABLE TO TRYGVE LIE STOP = 250 =

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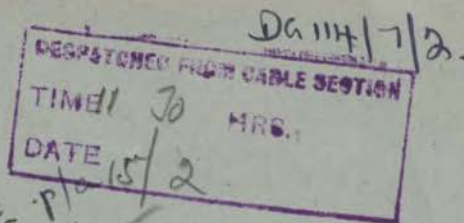
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ROOKS FROM DAVIDSON.

1. Fourth meeting held morning of 13th.

2. Considerable discussion of Agenda. UNRRA revision endeavoured to highlight policy points on which Directives must be given to Executive Secretary. In general France supported UNRRA while UK was opposed. U.S. thought Executive Secretary should be given wide latitude. After further discussion U.S. proposed broadening Secretariat Agenda to include "Issuance of Directives to Executive Secretary" but leaving exact subjects of Directives out of Agenda. Draft Directives could be submitted by individual delegations on subjects, which they considered important. These Directives would be discussed under appropriate Agenda items supported by France and adopted by Commission.

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BOOKS FROM GALE.

1. Prepcom third meeting held afternoon of 12th.
2. Formal adoption of Agenda postponed until next meeting.
3. Commission next considered item 8 of original Provisional Agenda and it was agreed to accept U.S. proposal stating that the Commission formally accepts its mandate.
4. Under Agenda item 9 (A) I stated that UNRRA is ready to transfer its operations to IRO. I objected to last paragraph on page 9 of document PREP/W.6 which says that UNRRA's Field Staff if at minimum strength as of 1st February. I stated that reductions which commenced following 5th Council Session are still being carried on with a view to meeting limitations of IRO budget. Accordingly I asked that this paragraph be stricken from the record. This was agreed. UK enquired whether report under resolution 112 is now available and whether UNRRA has implemented paragraphs 4 (A) and (B) of resolution 99. I replied that report was distributed in January to Central Committee. I also pointed out that paragraphs 4 (A) and (B) was permissive in character but that never-the-less UNRRA had explored possibility of implementing them particularly with respect to eligibility but no implementation possible owing to lack of funds. France enquired whether final text of IRO constitution had been distributed to all UNRRA staff. I replied it had. France also enquired concerning UNRRA's intentions re future of Central Tracing Bureau. I then asked for a ruling from Chairman whether such matters of detail should be discussed at this meeting. U.S. Supported me as did U.K. in general but latter suggested Central Tracing Bureau sufficiently important for discussion now. The Chairman suggested discussion remain on general level and that this question might be brought up under Agenda item 11.
5. Sir Herbert Emerson made long and detailed statement under Agenda item 9 (B) describing all aspects of I.G.C.S. work and prospects of resettlement. He pointed out that UN decision to make contributions of large scale resettlement budget voluntary has handicapped operations in certain countries of Latin America. He emphasised problem of shipping and stated that in order to obtain three ships, General Walter Wood made certain commitments to Interdepartmental Committee on shipping, which would have to be taken over by IRO if IGC hands over to IRO on 30 June. Chairman suggested shipping problem be considered under Agenda item 11(B). Sir Herbert was requested to present in writing his statement on repatriations funds.

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Rocks from Davidson.

1. Second meeting held morning of 12th.
2. Pope of Canada who was absent when elected refused chairmanship. Ponsot of France elected instead.
3. Reference item 5 of provisional agenda. UK proposed placing item 7 toward end of agenda. France supported UK also suggesting item 10 be discussed with item 17. Both propositions agreed to. UK called on UNRRA for suggestions on Agenda. Gale explained UNRRA redraft of provisional agenda based on idea of separating policy from administrative times and dealing with former first. Supported by France IGC and UK who called for distribution of UNRRA's redraft. Agreed to postpone general discussion of item 5 until later meeting to allow time for study and translation of UNRRA document.
4. Reference item 6. France proposed commission adopt Ecosoc rules of procedure for first session charging executive secretary with responsibility new rules for commission which would be discussed and adopted at second session. Supported by US. UK opposed postponing adoption of rules of procedure until second session. Agreed to accept Ecosoc rules for first session items 6 and 7 to be discussed together near close of session.

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