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ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION  
San Francisco, California, U.S.A.

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Attendance

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Commission III Committee 1 Date MAY 18 1945

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Voting Delegate

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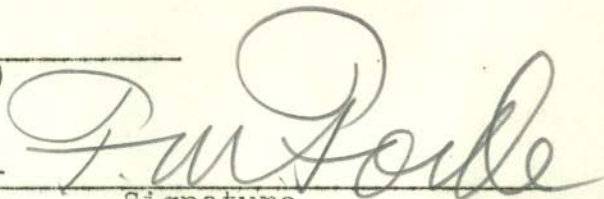
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Delegation BYELORUSSIAN S. S. R.  
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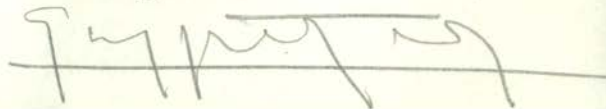
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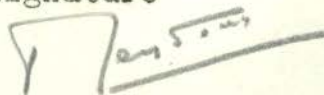
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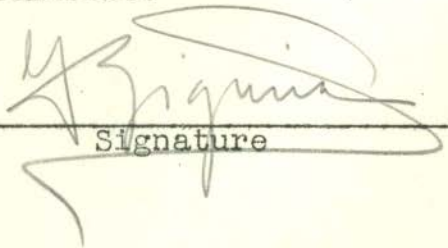
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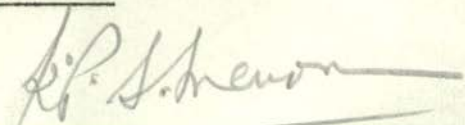
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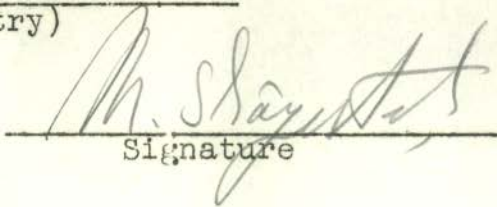
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Delegation LUXEMBOURG  
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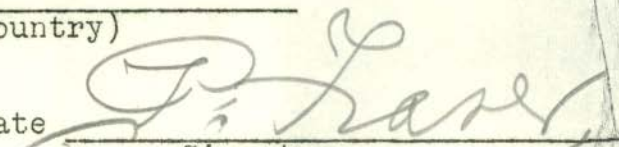
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Delegation NORWAY  
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Delegation PERU  
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Delegation PHILIPPINE COMMONWEALTH  
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Voting Delegate -- Carlo P. Garcia  
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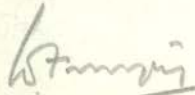
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UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

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Voting Delegate

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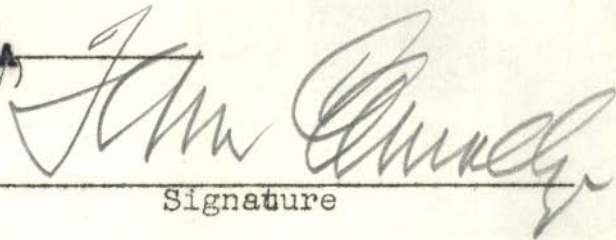
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Voting Delegate

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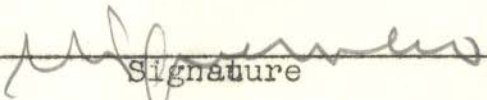
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Delegation PARAGUAY  
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ATTENDANCE RECORD, COMMITTEE III/1

May 18, 1945

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BRAZIL	Admiral Sylvio de Noronha
BYELORUSSIAN S.S.R.	Anton R. Zhebrak
CANADA	L. B. Pearson
CHILE	Félix Nieto del Río
CHINA	V. K. Wellington Koo Chang Chung-fu
COLOMBIA	Alberto González Fernández
COSTA RICA	Luis Andersen Norua
CUBA	Guy Perez Cienfuegos
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	Josef Hanč
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	
ECUADOR	Gonzalo Escudero Moscoso
EGYPT	Mamdouh Bey Rias
EL SALVADOR	Hector David Castro
ETHIOPIA	Ato Ambai Wold-Mariam
FRANCE	Roger Seydoux
GREECE	Thanassis Agnides
GUATEMALA	Gabriel Biguria
HAITI	
HONDURAS	
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IRAN	Mohammed Shayeeteh

IRAQ

Fadhil Al-Jamali

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LIBERIA

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May 18, 1945

Commission III: Security Council

Committee 1: Structure and Procedures

Committee 1 of Commission III met at 8:30 p.m., on May 18, 1945 in the Veterans Building. Mr. John Sofianopoulos, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Chairman of the Delegation of Greece, presided.

The Committee continued its consideration of Section C, Chapter VI of the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals on the subject of voting in the Security Council. There was a general discussion and it was decided to set up a subcommittee, for purposes of study and clarification of the subject.



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PRECIS OF TENTH MEETING OF COMMITTEE III/1

Veterans Building, Room 223, May 18, 1945, 8:30 p.m.

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Comité III/1

Ordre du jour détaillé à l'intention du Président

Dixième Séance

Jeudi, le 18 mai 1945, à 20 h. 30

Messieurs, la séance est ouverte.

1. COMPTE RENDU DES TRAVAUX ACCOMPLIS A LA PRECEDENTE SEANCE

A la séance précédente, tenue le 17 mai, le Comité a commencé l'examen de la Section G, Chapitre VI des Propositions de Dumbarton Oaks. Une discussion générale a eu lieu sur cette Section. Certains Délégués ont indiqué que le droit de "vote" octroyé aux grandes puissances par le texte des quatre grandes puissances, ne devrait pas avoir un caractère aussi exclusif ou s'appliquer à tous les cas. Certaines questions ont été posées aux grandes puissances en vue de préciser les fondements de ce droit.

La discussion n'a pas été achevée et nous allons la reprendre.

2. Suite de l'Examen de la Section G, Chapitre VI

Je donne la parole à l'Honorable Délégué de Cuba.

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COMMISSION III, COMMITTEE 1

ADVANCE PROGRESS REPORT

Tenth Meeting of the Committee, May 18, 1945

I. It was decided to appoint a subcommittee composed of representatives of the four sponsoring powers and Australia, Cuba, Egypt, France, Mexico, and The Netherlands, which would study with the Rapporteur Chapter VI, Section C, in order to clarify the doubts that had arisen in the course of the discussion.

II. The meeting was devoted to a general discussion in which the Delegate of Canada and Belgium appealed to the great powers to reconsider the subject of voting. The Delegates of Mexico, Chile, Colombia, and Peru supported the Australian amendment to the Proposals. The Delegate of El Salvador voiced concern over the possibility of a deadlock in the Security Council in which case the General Assembly should be empowered to act. The Yalta proposals were defended by the Delegates of the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union, the United States, China, Czechoslovakia, and Byelo-Russia. The proposal of Colombia to appoint a subcommittee not only to clarify doubts as to the meaning of the text but also to propose amendments thereto was limited, principally at the suggestion of New Zealand. The Delegate of New Zealand made an able speech to a responsive audience in which he laid main stress on changes in the amending process.

III. Questions of Procedure:

(1) The Chairman informed the Secretary that all summary reports from May 17 on must be very detailed. The Secretary replied that he would report this request to the Secretary General but would have to receive instructions in the matter.

(2) The Chairman stated to the Committee at the end of the meeting that he requested the Secretariat to circulate full minutes of the discussion, and assumed the Committee agreed with this.

(3) Mr. Castro of El Salvador requested that his statement be made part of the record. The Chairman called this to the Secretary's attention.



(4) Dr. Evatt of Australia told the Secretary that the summary record for yesterday's meeting was "disgraceful". He objected to the fact that his remarks were not attributed to him.

(5) The Chairman instructed the Secretary to circulate Dr. Evatt's speech of yesterday's meeting tomorrow morning.

(6) The Delegates of China and Peru complained that they could not get recognition.

(7) The Delegate of Chile complained of "a very bad translation" from the Spanish.

(8) The translators said that they were completely exhausted by constant attendance at meetings.

IV. (1) Although most of the speakers expressed opposition to the voting procedure, a prediction may be hazarded that a movement may develop, led by New Zealand, to concentrate on securing a full explanation from the sponsoring powers of the operation of the voting provisions under Chapter VIII, Section A, (similar to that made by Sir Alexander Cadogan) and a modification of the requirements for amendment.

(2) The views expressed by Canada and New Zealand were greeted with applause.

(3) The Delegate of the Ukrainian S.S.R. interjected the name of Czechoslovakia for the proposed membership of the subcommittee on two occasions but his suggestion was not taken up.

(4) The Secretary overheard Dr. Evatt state he "would not be intimidated" by the Big Powers. Dr. Evatt frequently made semi-audible comments which were very caustic.

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France added verbally  
just before motion put  
to vote. E.C.

Cuba, Egypt, the Netherlands and  
Greece which will <sup>study</sup> ~~prepare~~ with  
the Rapporteur <sup>a report</sup> ~~a draft~~ of  
~~amendment to~~ Chapter VI,  
Section C, <sup>in order to</sup> ~~that may~~ clarify  
the doubts that have arisen  
in the course of discussion, ~~and~~  
~~which will consider as well~~  
~~the possibility of introducing~~  
~~into such section those proposed~~  
~~amendments that it may~~  
~~seem advisable~~

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Considering that discussion on the application of provisions of Section C, Chapter II with relation to the measures that the Security Council should take in compliance with Section A, Chapter III, has made it clear that there is not a uniform interpretation of the voting procedure in that respect

It is resolved

↓ That the chairman appoint a subcommittee composed by representatives of the four sponsoring powers and Australia,

SUMMARY REPORT OF TENTH MEETING OF COMMITTEE III/1  
Veterans Building, Room 223, May 18, 1945, 8:30 p.m.

The tenth meeting of the Committee was opened by the Chairman at 8:45 p.m.

1. Continued Consideration of Section C, Chapter VI

The general discussion of the Crimea Conference proposals for voting in the Security Council was continued. On the one hand, emphasis was placed upon the necessity for unanimity among the permanent members in order to preserve great-power unity. On the other hand, there was strong support for a reconsideration of the voting provisions, particularly in their application to the pacific settlement of disputes.

The delegate of Canada, supported by the delegate of Belgium, suggested, furthermore, that there should not only be no "veto" under Chapter VIII, Section A, (Pacific Settlement of Disputes) for an interested party, as the Crimea formula provided, but also none for a permanent member who was not a party to a dispute. The Four Sponsoring Governments were asked by many delegates to reconsider the voting formula as agreed upon at Yalta and to show by their willingness to modify the unanimity requirement that they themselves had that faith in the new



organization which they had asked the smaller nations to show.

A delegate of the Soviet Union declared that the question of voting had been subjected to more serious study than any other part of the Dumbarton Oaks proposals and that the solution had been the result of the fundamental desire to strengthen the feeling of unity among the Great Powers. The belief was expressed that the course of the war had proved the correctness of this approach. It was further asserted that any change in the Yalta voting formula would be undesirable because if decisions in the Security Council were not unanimous a cause of friction would occur. It was admitted that the right of "veto" would put the permanent members of the Council in a special position but it was pointed out that this corresponded to the responsibilities and duties that would be imposed upon them. Also, the Crimea formula prevented a country which was an interested party from participating in the decisions taken under Chapter VIII, Section A. While it was admitted that in some respects the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals were being beneficially amended at this Conference, it was contended that such a fundamental matter as the voting formula could not be changed without weakening the

effectiveness of the Security Council.

In opposition to this point of view the requirements of unanimity among the Great Powers was declared by the Delegate of Mexico to be unprecedented and against all concepts of justice. The right of a Great Power to veto measures under Chapter VIII, Section B, might lead to a situation similar to that of a murderer who is permitted to vote on his own guilt. The Delegate of Mexico declared that his government would accept unanimity for Chapter VIII, Section B, but could not vote for the present Dumbarton Oaks text and made a plea for at least the Australian amendment (Doc. 2, G/14 (1), p. 8), providing for abstention from voting if a member of the Council were interested in a case arising under Section A and the first paragraph of Section C of Chapter VIII.

The Delegate of El Salvador moved the amendment presented by his government (Doc. 2, G/14 (j), p. 1) as follows:

4. In dealing with matters that are not of a procedural nature, if the affirmative vote of seven or more members of the Security Council includes the concurring votes of a majority of the permanent members



of the Council, but not the unanimous vote of such permanent members, the Security Council shall refer the matter under consideration to the General Assembly for final decision and shall act in due time in accordance with such a decision of the General Assembly, which in this case will require a two-thirds majority vote.

He also took the position that there should not be a requirement for unanimity with respect to pacific settlement but devoted himself in the main to pointing out that the amendment of El Salvador was designed to meet a situation in which a deadlock might arise from failure to obtain unity among the permanent members. Provision for reference to the General Assembly was not only "a realistic" procedure but was justified because the General Assembly was the most representative body of the Organization.

The Delegate of Chile seconded the views expressed in the previous meeting by the Delegate of Australia.

The Delegate of Colombia, reserving for a later occasion a statement of his delegation's attitude concerning a "veto", declared that its position coincided with that of Chile. He then made the following motion:

Considering that discussion on the application of provisions of Section C, Chapter VI, with relation to the measures that the Security Council should take in compliance with Section A, Chapter

VIII, has made it clear that there is not a uniform interpretation of the voting procedure in that respect;

IT IS RESOLVED that the Chairman appoint a Subcommittee composed of the members of the Four Sponsoring Powers and Australia, Cuba, Egypt, the Netherlands, and Greece in order to prepare in collaboration with the Rapporteur a draft amendment to Chapter VI, Section C, that may clarify the doubts that have arisen in the course of discussion; and which will consider, as well, the possibility of introducing into that section those proposed amendments that may be deemed advisable.

The Delegate of Colombia suggested this procedure in order to clarify the provisions of the Crimea text but urged that discussion in the Committee should also continue. The Delegates of Peru and Cuba seconded the Colombian motion.

Certain questions immediately arose concerning the meaning of the resolution: Whether it was intended that the Subcommittee should clarify the text, or should also attempt to amend it. The Delegate of New Zealand, referring to a statement made at the previous meeting on behalf of one of the Sponsoring Governments to the effect that one permanent member not party to a dispute could not block action under Chapter VIII, Section A, Paragraphs 1-3, believed that if this statement represented the views of all of the Four Powers the situation was not without hope. If, on the other hand, the Four Powers adhered to the Crimea formula then a Subcommittee to consider amendments would be a waste of time. A point in particular need of clarification was whether the investigation of a dispute could be initiated by the President of the Security Council without the need of a vote, and if not, whether



The decision to investigate a dispute was a procedural or substantive matter.

He went on to say that it was obvious to anybody that if the great nations, who have to set their military forces into operation, were required to do it by a majority vote of a number of small nations who could make no great contribution, the Organization would fall because of lack of weight, but he thought that the problem could be solved in a better way than that of the Crimea voting formula. He pointed out that in another place in the Charter the Great Powers would have a veto over the process of amendment. This he contended was a very dangerous provision which would in effect bring about a situation where the artificially created shell of the world organization would be unable to contain the nations within it. Provision must therefore be made for change.

He declared that there were many fine things being written into the Charter and asked that they not be made into petrified platitudes by such unacceptable clauses as those in Chapter VI, Section C. He thought that while machinery could not of itself prevent war--a fact proved by the experiment of the League--nevertheless, it could help smooth the way and make things go easier. He asserted that sentiment was running deep in many countries throughout the world against any provision for a "veto".

If the view expressed that there was no veto so far as paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of Section A, Chapter VIII, were concerned was the view of the other Sponsoring Governments, that fact should be made clear. He suggested that the Sponsoring Governments should at the very least remove the power of veto concerning the amending process and pleaded that by their acceptance of changes in such important points, they would offer grounds for hope and confidence in the United Nations Organization.

The Delegates of the United Kingdom and the United States asked that the Colombian motion be amended to limit the terms of reference of the Subcommittee to clarification of the voting formula and indicated that they could not otherwise accept membership on the Subcommittee. It was also pointed out that the Committee was making a mistake by falling into the habit of using the word "veto" which was an ugly one and which aroused antagonism. Furthermore, since in the League of Nations every member of the Council and not a minority in it could exercise a veto, the Yalta formula was a distinct advance. The Colombian Delegate explained that he had proposed that the drafting of amendments be included in the terms of reference of the Subcommittee because he felt that if the text needed clarification its wording might need to be changed. He agreed, however, to confine the function of the Subcommittee to that clarification.



The Chinese Delegate, as a representative of one of the Sponsoring Governments, stated that China had accepted the Crimea decision concerning voting, although not present, first because it desired to maintain the unity of the Sponsoring Powers that had contributed so much to the war effort and could contribute so much to the maintenance of peace, and second, because China's acceptance of the Crimean Conference would mean that the invitations to the present Conference would be sent out at an early date. While the Chinese Delegation did not deny that there were weaknesses in the voting formula, it felt that there were certain advantages since, contrary to the situation in the League at the time of the Manchurian crisis, all the Great Powers would be members of the Organization which was now being set up. Moreover, the rule of unanimity meant that in time of crisis all five Great Powers would back up any decision taken by the Council. For these reasons China was fully prepared to give the proposed voting formula a trial. As for the Subcommittee, the Chinese Delegate asserted that he would be glad to support it if its terms of reference were reduced to those of clarification.

It was felt by the delegate of Byelo-Russia that this was not a proper time to appoint a subcommittee and it would be better to do so at the end of general discussion.

Decision: By a vote of 23 to 3 the Colombian resolution was passed with the following revision of the second paragraph:

"IT IS RESOLVED that the Chairman appoint a subcommittee composed of representatives of the four sponsoring powers and Australia, Cuba, Egypt, the Netherlands, Greece and France which will study with the Rapporteur Chapter VI, Section C, in order to clarify the doubts that have arisen in the course of discussion."

The Czechoslovak representative declared that the meaning of Chapter VI, Section C, seemed quite clear. It was necessary, said he, to establish the rule of unity among the five permanent powers because this unity constituted the best guarantee of peace for all. In his view, the Great Powers were not free to do as they pleased under this voting formula because they were bound by the principles set forth in the Charter. He pointed out that the small nations, particularly his own, had been very grateful for the unity of the Great Powers which had made victory possible in this war and he trusted that with full understanding of the Charter and especially of Chapter VI, Section C, the same joint effort would prevail after the war. Czechoslovakia would therefore support the proposals of the Sponsoring Governments.



The Delegate of Peru, explaining his support of the Colombian resolution, thought that it would enable the Sponsoring Powers to state their position more clearly. He believed that unanimity should not be insisted upon in regard to pacific settlement and that Peru therefore supported the proposal of Australia and Chile, especially as it applied to regional agreements. He believed that historically the liberum veto had always led to great difficulty and that the League of Nations furnished the most recent example of its disastrous results. He felt that while unanimity might be a desirable ideal, the requirement of unanimity would cause trouble because it would encourage dissidence.

The Byelorussian representative asserted that in his opinion voting was as important a question as the composition of the Council. He felt that the question had been examined thoroughly and that a wise decision had been reached at Yalta. He emphasized that the Sponsoring Governments had brought about the end of the war in Europe and that the perpetuation of unity among them was in the interests of all peace-loving nations. This unity would be greatly aided by the requirement of their unanimity in the Council. The fact that they could exercise the greatest

force in the world did not affect the fundamental interests of the small countries but was an insurance of future peace and security in which all had a paramount interest.

The Chairman requested that the secretariat circulate more complete reports of the Committee's proceedings and adjourned the meeting at 11:40.



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(At the request of the Delegate of China)

- (1) Page 5, third line from the top, insert at end of line after the word "it" the following:

"was an improvement over the League Council's procedure in that it reduced the general requirement of unanimity of all members to that of the permanent members only. The Chinese Delegation also"

- (2) Page 5, ninth line, insert between the words "powers" and "would" the words "voting unanimously", so that the whole sentence reads as follows:

"Moreover, the rule of unanimity meant that in time of crisis all five great powers voting unanimously would back up any decision taken by the Council."



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Attendance

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Argentina	✓		:	:	:	:	:	:
Australia	✓		:	:	:	:	:	:
Belgium	✓		:	:	:	:	:	:
Bolivia	✓		:	:	:	:	:	:
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India	✓		:	:	:	:	:	:
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Present: 42; Absent: 7

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