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(Florence-Rapallo, 1950)**

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Note by the Secretariat

The attention of Delegates is drawn to Resolution N° 157  
of the Administration Council of the ITU, a copy of which  
is attached hereto.



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Resolution No. 157.- MEETING OF THE HIGH FREQUENCY BROADCASTING CONFERENCE  
IN FLORENCE

(cf. PV CA4/22 and PV CA4/30)

The Administrative Council,

referring to the Resolution of the Mexico City Conference,  
after studying the Report of the Technical Plan Committee  
(Document No. 459/CA 4),

after hearing the statement by the Chairman of the  
Technical Plan Committee and in the light of the discussion which followed  
within the Council;

considering

1. that the Mexico City Conference, in its Resolution  
No. 2 annexed to the report of the Secretary General on that Conference  
(Document No. 319/CA 4), requested the Council to suggest the date of meeting  
of a second High Frequency Broadcasting Conference ;

2. that the Administrations must be allowed the time  
required to study the completed work of the Technical Plan Committee;

3. that the Technical Plan Committee should be in a  
position to finish before 1 January 1950;

resolves

1. to request the Italian Administration to take the neces-  
sary steps to convene for 1 April 1950 in Florence the High Frequency Broadcasting  
Conference mentioned in Consideration 1 above, and to convene the Technical Plan  
Committee in that city on 1 March 1950;

2. to invite the Technical Plan Committee to communicate  
to all the Administrations of the Union by 1 January 1950 at the latest the  
completed Plan of frequency assignments with the relevant documents ;

3. to invite the Administrations to send to the Secretary  
General of the Union by 1 March 1950 at the latest their comments and suggestions  
on the Plan ;

4. to invite the Conference to send to the Secretary General  
by 1 August 1950 at the latest the Plan finally adopted ;

requests

the Secretary General to communicate this resolution to  
the Italian Administration with an expression of the thanks of the Council for  
the invitation.

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Document N° 2-E

31 march 1950

Firenze/Rapallo, 1950

Note by the Secretariat

The attention of Delegates is drawn to Resolution N° 158  
of the Administrative Council of the ITU, a copy of which  
is attached hereto.



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Resolution No. 158.- IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HIGH FREQUENCY BROADCASTING PLAN  
(cf. PV CAA/37)

The Administrative Council,

considering

1. the Resolution of the Mexico High Frequency Broadcasting Conference requesting the Council to take the necessary steps to have the I.F.R.B. implement the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan ;

2. the joint Report of the Chairman of the I.F.R.B., the Director and the Vice-Director of the C.C.I.R., contained in Doc. No. 457/CA 4;

is of the opinion

that for the period prior to the next Plenipotentiary Conference the implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan may be carried out in accordance with the proposals contained in paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Doc. No. 457/CA 4;

invites

the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, to convene in Florence on 1 April 1950, to give further consideration to the matter, taking into account the proposals referred to above, and to take appropriate action.

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Document No. 3-E  
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NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT

The attention of Delegates is drawn to Document No. 457/CA 4, attached hereto, as amended by the Administrative Council of the I.T.U. at its 37th meeting (Doc. No. 566/CA 4).



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## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HIGH FREQUENCY

### BROADCASTING PLAN

Document No. 457/CA 4 as revised by the Fourth Session of the

Administrative Council at its 37th Meeting

(PV CA/37 - Document 566/CA 4)

1. The I.F.R.B., in its Document No.45 of August 16th, 1949, (Doc. No.368/CA 4) set out the opinion of the Board relating to the Resolution of the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference of Mexico City for the implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan. In Administrative Council Document No.353 the Director and Vice-Director of the C.C.I.R. stated their views.
2. At the request of the special working group of the Administrative Council, on August 26th, this further report has been prepared by the Chairman of the I.F.R.B. together with the Director and the Vice-Director of the C.C.I.R.
3. The I.F.R.B. and the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R. have again reviewed the functions of the organization entrusted with the implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan as contained in the documents of the Mexico City Conference and have noted that while some of the functions mentioned in Annex 1 do not conform to the Statutes of the I.F.R.B., nor do some of the subjects come within the normal scope of the C.C.I.R., the majority of these functions are closely allied to those which the I.F.R.B. will have to exercise in the normal discharge of their duties as laid down in Chapter IV of the Radio Regulations of Atlantic City, and others of the proposed functions are within the field of activities of the C.C.I.R. Others are within the province of the Secretary General.
4. It is further noted that the effective discharge of the functions of the organization, as laid down at Mexico City, requires the collaboration of the Members and Associate Members of the Union in the placing at the disposal of the implementing organization, all necessary information in regard to the technical characteristics of broadcasting transmissions and operating schedules, together with the monitoring facilities and other technical facilities belonging to Members, Associate Members and recognized international organizations.
5. Hence, on the assumption that the proposal of the representative of the U.S.A. in the Administrative Council may be regarded as a means to a practical solution of the problem, by constituting the I.F.R.B., in consultation with the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R., as an interim implementing organization, and in the light of the general attitude of the I.F.R.B. as expressed in point (1) of I.F.R.B. Document No.45, annexed to Doc. 368/CA 4, the I.F.R.B. and the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R. suggest the following points be included in the Agreement to be executed at the next session of the High Frequency Broadcasting Administrative Conference :
  - a) The Agreement should be characterized as an interim agreement to empower the I.F.R.B. to carry out the essential duties of the implementing the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan, in consultation with the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R. and with the assistance of the Secretary General;

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**Document N° 4-E**

**31 march 1950**

**Note by the Secretariat**

The attention of Delegates is drawn to Resolution N° 166 of the Administrative Council of the ITU, a copy of which is attached hereto.



Resolution No. 166.- FREQUENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH FREQUENCY  
BROADCASTING OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL.  
(cf. PV CA4/38)

The Administrative Council,

considering

that the Technical Plan Committee derived its directives from the First Session of the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference in Mexico and that its terms of reference are too restricted for it to undertake consideration of the frequency requirements of the State of Israel;

resolves

that those requirements be referred to the Second Session of the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference to be held in Florence on 1 April 1950.

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Firenze/Rappallo, 1950

The attention of Delegates is drawn on the following letter received by the Secretary General of the I.T.U. :

STATE OF ISRAEL

Jerusalem, 13th March, 1950

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the requirements of the State of Israel for High Frequency Broadcasting and to recall the following :

- (a) The High Frequency Broadcasting Conference at Mexico City did not assign frequencies to the State of Israel in the Basic Plan;
  - (b) The Technical Plan Committee did not find its way to deal with our requirements under the terms of its reference;
  - (c) The Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union in its fourth session at Geneva decided in Resolution No.166 to refer the said requirements to the second session of the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference at Florence.
2. In view of the above the Israeli Administration thinks it appropriate to submit its present day's requirements for High Frequencies Broadcasting for consideration by the Florence Conference. These requirements are summarized in the attached diagram and refer to June Sun Spot Cycle 70. The diagram indicates bands of frequencies required, the numbers of intended reception areas and powers to be radiated.
3. The Israeli delegation in Florence will be glad to supply any information and to render any assistance which may be needed for the assignment work involved.
4. I shall be glad if copies of this letter and the attached diagram containing our requirements will be transmitted to the Secretariat of the Florence Conference.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) Z. PRIHAR

Director General  
Posts Telegraphs Telephones  
and Radio

The Secretary General,  
International Telecommunication Union,  
Geneva.



- b) the Agreement should empower the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R. to enter into direct consultation with the I.F.R.B. for this purpose;
- c) the Agreement should be binding on all Members or Associate Members of the Union who accept the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan;
- d) the Agreement should state that such duties are undertaken in order to facilitate and to ensure the implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan. Such duties are undertaken in accordance with Article 6, para. 1(b) of the Convention with a view to assisting all Members and Associate Members of the Union to operate the maximum practical number of radio channels in those portions of the spectrum where harmful interference may occur;
- e) the Agreement should contain a provision to the effect that all functions of implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan to be performed by the I.F.R.B., in consultation with the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R., are undertaken without prejudice to the statutory functions of the I.F.R.B. and the C.C.I.R. as set forth in the Atlantic City Convention and Radio Regulations;
- f) the Members and Associate Members parties to the Agreement should undertake to abide by any recommendations or advice which the I.F.R.B. may deem necessary to issue in carrying out its functions under the Agreement;
- g) the Members and Associate Members parties to the Agreement should undertake to supply all required information, particularly in respect to the technical characteristics of their transmissions and operating schedules; and they and the organizations specified in Article 18 of the Radio Regulations should undertake to place monitoring and other technical facilities at the disposal of the I.F.R.B.;
- h) the Members and Associate Members parties to the Agreement should undertake to defray such annual expenses of the I.F.R.B. as may be incurred in the discharge of the functions of implementing the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan and the expenses for initial establishment. The contributions relating thereto shall be paid in advance and shall bear interest in the same way as contributions to the ordinary expenditure of the Union (Article 14 of the Convention).

6. The I.F.R.B., on its part, will undertake :

- a) to do all that it can, in consultation with the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R. and with the resources and facilities placed at its disposal, to ensure the satisfactory implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan, basing its duties on the list of functions specified by the Mexico City Conference (Annex 1 of Mexico City Agreement);
- b) to use the technical means available to Administrations, the specialized organizations and the permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R. in everything concerning technical observations, measurements and studies;

- c) in the light of the experience acquired through the implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan, to present to all Members and Associate Members of the Union such information as it may be possible to give to assist them in formulating any proposals they may desire to present to the next plenipotentiary conference concerning a permanent implementing organization;
  - d) to present each year to the Administrative Council an estimate to be included in each yearly budget of the credits necessary for implementation of the plan as provided in the Agreement, as well as reports, for each financial year, on the expenditure incurred in the implementation of the work.
7. The permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R., on its part, and within the limits of the facilities and information at its disposal, will undertake to consult with the I.F.R.B. concerning matters relating to the implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan.



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ABBREVIATIONS	
CZECH.	CZECH
HIND.	HINDUSTANI
HUNG.	HUNGARIAN
ITAL.	ITALIAN
PER.S.	PERSIAN
POL.	POLISH
RUM.	ROMANIAN
SWED.	SWEDISH
RUSS.	RUSSIAN
TURK.	TURKISH
YUG.	YUGOSLAVIAN
LAD.	LADINO

DESIGNATION OF LANGUAGE	N° OF CHANNEL HOURS	LANGUAGES
————	16	ENGLISH
- - - -	12	FRENCH
oooo	10	SPANISH
~~~~~	10	ARABIC
=====	9 1/4	YDDISH
	8 3/4	HEBREW
●●●●	9	Δ OTHERS
	75	TOTAL

Δ OTHER MEANS: RUSSIAN, ROUMANIAN, POLISH, CZECH,  
HUNGARIAN, ITALIAN, SWEDISH, PERSIAN, TURKISH, YUGOSL.

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DRAFT RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE CONFERENCE

ARTICLE 1

Order of Placing of Delegations

At Plenary Sessions, as well as the meetings of Committees, the Delegates, representatives, experts and attachés shall be grouped in Delegations, and the Delegations shall be placed in alphabetical order of the French names of their respective countries.

ARTICLE 2

First Meeting of the Plenary Session

The first Plenary Session shall be opened by the person appointed by the inviting Government.

ARTICLE 3

Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen

The Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference shall be elected at the first meeting of the Plenary Session.

ARTICLE 4

Powers of the Chairman

The Chairman shall open and close the Plenary Sessions, direct the discussions, announce the results of the voting, and direct generally all the work of the Conference.

ARTICLE 5

Secretariat of the Conference

The Secretariat of the Conference shall be constituted and shall be composed of the Secretariat General of the Union and, if necessary, of the personnel of the administration of the inviting Government.



## ARTICLE 6

The Plenary Session may appoint Committees to examine matter submitted for consideration by the Conference. These Committees may appoint Sub-Committees, which in their turn will appoint Sub-Sub-Committees if necessary. The Committees may also appoint Working Groups as required.

## ARTICLE 7

### Composition of Committees

1. Committees shall be composed of delegates of Members and Associate Members which have made application or which have been appointed by the Plenary Session.

2. For consultative purposes, Committees may also include representatives of private operating agencies and representatives of duly recognized international bodies.

## ARTICLE 8

### Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Committees

1. The Chairman of the Conference shall submit for the approval of the Plenary Session the choice of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of each Committee.

2. The Chairmen of Committees will propose the organization of Sub-Committees and Working Groups.

## ARTICLE 9

### Participation of Private Societies

Societies, associations or individuals may be authorized by the Plenary Session or by Committees to present petitions or submit resolutions, provided that such petitions or resolutions are countersigned or supported by the Head of the Delegation of the country concerned. Such societies, associations or individuals may also attend the discussions only insofar as the Chairman of the Committee, in agreement with the Head of the Delegation of the country concerned, may deem advisable.

## ARTICLE 10

### Summons to meetings

The meetings of the Plenary Session and the meetings of

Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups shall be announced either by letter or by notice posted in the meeting place of the Conference.

#### ARTICLE 11

##### Discussions

1. Persons desiring to speak may do so only after having obtained the consent of the Chairman. As a general rule they shall identify themselves before speaking.

2. Any person speaking must express himself slowly and distinctly, separating his words and pausing frequently, so that all his colleagues may be able to follow his meaning clearly.

#### ARTICLE 12

##### Proposals Presented before the Opening of the Conference

Proposals presented before the opening of the Conference shall be sent by the Plenary Session to the appropriate Committees.

#### ARTICLE 13

##### Proposals presented during the Conference

1. No proposal or amendment shall be presented unless it is countersigned or supported by the Head of the Delegation of the country concerned or by his deputy.

2. The Chairman of the Conference shall decide whether the proposal or the amendment shall be announced to all Delegations by distribution of copies or merely by oral statement.

3. At meetings of the Plenary Session any authorized individual may read, or request to be read, any proposal or amendment presented by him during the Conference, and may be allowed to explain his reasons therefor.

#### ARTICLE 14

##### Proposals presented to Committees during the Conference

1. Proposals or amendments presented after the opening of Conference must be delivered to the Chairman of the appropriate Committee or, in case of doubt as to the appropriate Committee, to the Chairman of the Conference.

2. Proposals or amendments presented in Committee, or referred to Committee by the Chair of the Conference, shall be subject for purposes of discussion or voting to the provision in Article 16, with the exception of paragraphs 9 and 13, in regard to proposals or amendments presented to the Plenary Assembly.

3. The Chairman of the Committee concerned shall decide whether the proposal or amendment shall be announced to all members of the Committee by distribution of copies or merely by oral statement.

#### ARTICLE 15

##### Postponed Proposals

When a proposal or amendment has been reserved, or when its examination has been postponed, the Delegation sponsoring it shall be responsible for seeing that it is again considered.

#### ARTICLE 16

##### Voting Procedure at Plenary Sessions

1. At Plenary Sessions each proposal or amendment presented may after discussion be submitted to a vote at the discretion of the Chairman.

2. No proposal or amendment may be considered until it has been supported by at least one delegation other than the delegation presenting it.

3. Any proposal or amendment may be discussed in general in the first instance with the object of considering its general terms, so as to enable the Assembly to decide whether to take it into consideration or not.

4. Any proposal or amendment rejected in general terms on a vote shall be eliminated from the discussion in general and in particular.

5. (1) When a proposal or amendment has been approved in general terms, it shall be put for discussion in particular, in which connection the Chairman shall ask the Assembly which paragraphs, sub-paragraphs or clauses give rise to objection.

(2) Such paragraphs, sub-paragraphs or clauses shall be put for discussion or vote in succession in their logical order, that is to say, the points of a more general character being taken first.

(3) Paragraphs, sub-paragraphs or clauses to which no objection is taken, shall be taken as approved in particular.

6. (1) Amendments to a proposal under discussion shall be read at dictation speed by their authors. They shall then be discussed in succession, in a logical order to be determined by the Chairman, and in accordance with the procedure indicated in paragraph 5 above.

(2) No discussion of an amendment shall be begun until a decision has been taken on a preceding amendment.

(3) The author of a proposal or amendment shall have a right of reply.

7. (1) When amendments have been approved, the Chairman shall read the original text at dictation speed together with the form in which, in his judgment, the text should be finally worded.

(2) If the wording proposed by the Chairman is not approved by the Assembly, it shall be submitted if need arise to a small Drafting Group composed of the authors of the approved amendments. The text proposed by the Drafting Group shall be submitted to the Assembly for the latter's decision.

8. No proposal or amendment shall be put for discussion if it is :

(1) Beyond the competence or powers of the Conference.

(2) Outside the scope of the particular matter or matters under discussion at the time.

(3) Inconsistent with any other proposal or amendment previously approved in the same meeting.

9. In order that a valid vote may be taken at a session of the Plenary Assembly, at least one half of the delegations accredited to the Conference and having the right to vote must be present or represented at the session at which the vote is taken.

10. Voting shall take place by a show of hands. If a majority is not clearly apparent, or if an individual count of the votes is requested, there shall be a roll call in the alphabetical order of the French names of the members.

11. No proposal or amendment shall be adopted at Plenary Sessions unless it is supported by a majority of the Delegates present and voting. In determining the number of votes required for a majority, abstentions shall not be taken into account. In case of a tie the measure shall be considered rejected.

12. If the number of abstentions exceeds one half of the number of Delegations present and voting, the measure shall be reconsidered at a subsequent meeting, at which time the abstentions shall not be taken into consideration.

13. If five or more Delegations present and entitled to vote request, when a vote is about to be taken, that it shall be taken by secret ballot, this shall be done, and the necessary steps shall be taken to guarantee secrecy.

14. Any duly accredited Delegations may authorize another duly accredited Delegation to vote for it at one or more meetings which it is unable itself to attend. In no case may a Delegation hold more than one such proxy.

## ARTICLE 17

### Adoption of New Provisions

1. As a general rule, Delegations which cannot have their opinion regarding a provision accepted by the others must endeavour to adopt the opinion of the majority.

2. However, if the measure proposed appears to a Delegation to be of such a nature as to prevent its Government from ratifying the decisions of the Conference, the Delegation may express reservations, final or provisional, regarding this measure.

## ARTICLE 18

### Minutes of Plenary Sessions

1. The minutes of Plenary Sessions shall be drawn up by the Secretariat of the Conference.

2. (1) As a general rule, the minutes shall contain only the proposals and conclusions, with the chief reasons for them in concise terms.

(2) However, each Delegate, representative or observer shall have the right to require the insertion in the minutes, either summarized or in full, of any statement which he has made. In such case he must himself supply the text to the Secretariat of the Conference as soon as possible after the end of the meeting. It is recommended that this right should only be used with discretion.

## ARTICLE 19

### Reports of Committees

1. (1) The debates of the Committees and Sub-Committees shall be summarized, meeting by meeting, in reports in which shall be brought out the essential points of the discussion, the various opinions expressed of which it is desirable that the Plenary Session should be informed, and the proposals and conclusions which emerge.

(2) However, each Delegate, representative or observer shall have the right to require the insertion in the report either summarized or in full, of any statement which he has made. In such case he must himself supply the text to be inserted to the Reporter as soon as possible after the end of the meeting.

2. If circumstances warrant, the Committees or Sub-Committees shall prepare at the end of their work a final report, in which they shall recapitulate in concise terms the proposals and the conclusions which result from the studies which have been entrusted to them.



## ARTICLE 20

### Adoption of Minutes and Reports

1. (1) As a general rule, at the beginning of each meeting of the Plenary Session or of each meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee, the minutes or the report of the previous meeting shall be read.

(2) However, the Chairman may, if he considers such procedure satisfactory, and if no objection is raised, merely ask if any members of the Plenary Session, the Committee, or the Sub-Committee have any remarks to make on the contents of the minutes or of the report.

(3) Proposals for amendments to minutes or reports may be presented at the next meeting at which the adoption of such minutes or reports is on the agenda, or at any subsequent meeting.

2. The minutes or the report shall then be adopted or amended in accordance with the remarks which have been made and which have been approved by the Plenary Session, or by the Committee or Sub-Committee.

3. Any final report must be approved by the respective Committee or Sub-Committee.

4. (1) The minutes of the closing Meeting of the Plenary Session shall be examined and approved by the Chairman of the Conference.

(2) The report of the last meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee shall be examined and approved by the Chairman of the Committee or Sub-Committee.

## ARTICLE 21

### Editorial Committee

1. The texts of the decisions and recommendations of the Conference, which shall be worded as far as practicable in their definitive form by the various Committees, following the opinions expressed, shall be submitted to an Editorial

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AGENDA

of the

First Meeting of the Plenary Assembly

Tuesday, 4 April 1950

Palazzo Vecchio

- I. List of participants in the Conference - Publication of telegrams received from Pekin and Brussels. (Doc. no. 8, 9, and 10).
- II. Proposal on the composition of the Conference Secretariat.
- III. Use of Working languages other than French, English and Spanish.
- IV. Agenda, status and duration of the Conference. (Doc. no. 11).
- V. Plan of the composition and terms of reference of the various committees to be set up by the Conference. (Doc. no. 12)
- VI. Countries proposed for the chairmanship and vice-chairmanship of the various committees. (Doc. no. 13)
- VII. Calendar and time-table of the Conference. (Doc. no. 14).
- VIII. Rules of Procedure of the Conference. (Doc. no. 6).
- IX. Publication of a letter from the Director of the C.C.I.R. to the Chairman of the Conference; communication from the Secretary General of the I.T.U. regarding the Conference Budget. Any other business. (Doc. no. 15).



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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONFERENCE

Countries Members of the I.T.U.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| * Afghanistan                                                                                                                                          | India                                                                            |
| Albania (People's Republic of)                                                                                                                         | Indonesia (Republic of the United States of)                                     |
| * Saudi Arabia (Kingdom of)                                                                                                                            | Iran                                                                             |
| * Argentine Republic                                                                                                                                   | ** Iraq                                                                          |
| Australia (Commonwealth of)                                                                                                                            | Ireland                                                                          |
| Austria                                                                                                                                                | Iceland                                                                          |
| Belgium                                                                                                                                                | Israel (State of)                                                                |
| * Bielorussian Soviet Socialist Republic                                                                                                               | Italy                                                                            |
| Burma                                                                                                                                                  | Japan                                                                            |
| Bolivia                                                                                                                                                | * Jordan (Hashimite Kingdom of)                                                  |
| * Brazil                                                                                                                                               | Lebanon                                                                          |
| Bulgaria (People's Republic of)                                                                                                                        | * Liberia                                                                        |
| Canada                                                                                                                                                 | Luxembourg                                                                       |
| Ceylon                                                                                                                                                 | Mexico                                                                           |
| * Chile                                                                                                                                                | Monaco                                                                           |
| China                                                                                                                                                  | Nicaragua                                                                        |
| Vatican City (State of)                                                                                                                                | Norway                                                                           |
| Colombia (Republic of)                                                                                                                                 | New Zealand                                                                      |
| Portuguese Colonies                                                                                                                                    | Pakistan                                                                         |
| Colonies, Protectorates, Overseas Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | * Panama                                                                         |
| Belgian Congo and Territories of Ruanda-Urundi                                                                                                         | * Paraguay                                                                       |
| Costa Rica                                                                                                                                             | * Netherlands, Surinam, Netherlands Antilles and New Guinea                      |
| Cuba                                                                                                                                                   | * Peru                                                                           |
| Denmark                                                                                                                                                | * Philippines (Republic of the)                                                  |
| Dominican Republic                                                                                                                                     | Poland (Republic of)                                                             |
| Egypt                                                                                                                                                  | Portugal                                                                         |
| * El Salvador                                                                                                                                          | French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia                                      |
| * Ecuador                                                                                                                                              | Southern Rhodesia                                                                |
| United States of America                                                                                                                               | Roumanian People's Republic                                                      |
| * Ethiopia                                                                                                                                             | United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland                             |
| Finland                                                                                                                                                | Sweden                                                                           |
| France                                                                                                                                                 | Switzerland (Confederation)                                                      |
| Greece                                                                                                                                                 | Syria                                                                            |
| Guatemala                                                                                                                                              | Czechoslovakia                                                                   |
| * Haiti                                                                                                                                                | Territories of the United States of America                                      |
| Honduras (Republic of)                                                                                                                                 | Overseas Territories of the French Republic and Territories administered as such |
| Hungarian People's Republic                                                                                                                            |                                                                                  |



* Thailand	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
* Turkey	Uruguay (Oriental Republic of)
* Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	Venezuela (United States of)
** Union of South Africa and Territory of South-West Africa	* Yemen
	Yugoslavia (Federal People's Republic of)

Observer : Mongolia (Popular Republic of)

N.B. The countries marked \* had not, by 4 April 1950, announced whether they would take part in the Conference.

The countries marked \*\* have announced that they are unable to send a delegation to the Conference.

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International Organizations :

United Nations

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONFERENCE

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|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| * Afghanistan                            | Iran                                  |
| * Albania (People's Republic of)         | ** Iraq                               |
| * Saudi Arabia (Kingdom of)              | Ireland                               |
| * Argentine Republic                     | Iceland                               |
| Australia (Commonwealth of)              | Israel (State of)                     |
| Austria                                  | Italy                                 |
| Belgium                                  | Japan                                 |
| * Bielorussian Soviet Socialist Republic | * Jordan (Hashimite Kingdom of)       |
| Burma                                    | Lebanon                               |
| Bolivia                                  | * Liberia                             |
| * Brazil                                 | Luxembourg                            |
| Bulgaria (People's Republic of)          | Mexico                                |
| Canada                                   | Monaco                                |
| Ceylon                                   | Nicaragua                             |
| * Chile                                  | Norway                                |
| China                                    | New Zealand                           |
| Vatican City (State of)                  | * Panama                              |
| Colombia (Republic of)                   | Pakistan                              |
| Portuguese Colonies                      | * Paraguay                            |
| Colonies, Protectorates, Overseas        | Netherlands, Surinam, Netherlands     |
| Territories and Territories under        | Antilles and New Guinea               |
| mandate or trusteeship of the United     | * Peru                                |
| Kingdom of Great Britain and             | * Philippines (Republic of the)       |
| Northern Ireland                         | Poland (Republic of)                  |
| Belgian Congo and Territories of         | Portugal                              |
| Ruanda-Urundi                            | French Protectorates of Morocco       |
| Costa Rica                               | and Tunisia                           |
| Cuba                                     | Southern Rhodesia                     |
| Denmark                                  | Roumanian People's Republic           |
| Dominican Republic                       | United Kingdom of Great Britain and   |
| Egypt                                    | Northern Ireland                      |
| * El Salvador                            | Sweden                                |
| United States of America                 | Switzerland (Confederation)           |
| * Ethiopia                               | Syria                                 |
| Finland                                  | Czechoslovakia                        |
| France                                   | Territories of the United States      |
| Greece                                   | of America                            |
| Guatemala                                | Overseas Territories of the French    |
| * Haiti                                  | Republic and Territories              |
| Honduras (Republic of)                   | administered as such                  |
| Hungarian People's Republic              | * Thailand                            |
| India                                    | * Turkey                              |
| Indonesia (Republic of the United        | * Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic |
| States of)                               |                                       |

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** Union of South Africa and Territory of South-West Africa	Venezuela (United States of)
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	* Yemen
Uruguay (Oriental Republic of)	Yugoslavia (Federal People's Republic of)

N.B. The countries marked \* had not, by 3 April 1950, announced whether they would take part in the Conference.

The countries marked \*\* have announced that they are unable to send a delegation to the Conference.

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COMMUNICATION OF A TELEGRAM FROM PEKIN

DATED 28 MARCH 1950

Fl.24

Florence, 31 March 1950

The Chairman,  
International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference,  
FLORENCE.

Sir,

I beg to submit herewith a copy of a telegram sent to me by the Government of the People's Republic of China.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) L. Mulatier

Secretary General of the I.T.U.

Enclosure

Service urgent Genève 142019 29/3 1710

Following telegram received from Peking quote Dr. Franz von Ernst colon Secretary General colon the Central People's Government of The People's Republic of China is the only legal Government representing the Chinese people stop the so-called quote Delegates unquote of the Chinese Kuomintang remnant reactionary clique no longer have the qualification of participating in the International Telecommunication Union stop in the name of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China colon I now want to inform you formally colon that it has appointed Li Chiang colon Director of Telecommunication Bureau of the Ministry of Post and Telegraph colon as Chief Delegate to the International Telecommunication Union stop please note this fact and transmit it to the countries concerned and the Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union stop the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China would regard it as a most unfriendly act toward the Chinese People if the so-called quote Delegates unquote of the Chinese Kuomintang would still be allowed to attend the International Broadcasting Conference to be held in Italy on April first = Chou Enlai Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China stop March 29 colon 1950 end quote



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TELEGRAM FROM THE BELGIAN DELEGATION TO  
THE SECRETARY OF THE CONFERENCE

M. MILLOT  
Secretary/ Broadcasting Conference,  
Palazzo Strozzi,  
FLORENCE.

Brussels 01129 88 29 120 6

As result of misunderstanding Embassy Italy were convinced  
Conference would begin Rapallo 29 April stop Learn ITU inaugura-  
tion fixed Florence 1 April stop Impossible for Belgian Delega-  
tion to arrive Florence before 5 or 6 April stop Therefore  
request first Definite confirmation date 1 April and place Flo-  
rence stop second Present apologies of Belgian Delegation to  
Chairman of Conference stop third Enter Belgium for all committees  
if necessary before arrival stop Stress urgency of reply to  
point one stop sincere thanks = Henderickx Engineer INR 18  
place Flagey Brussels.





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DRAFT AGENDA OF THE CONFERENCE

The Italian Government has communicated the following agenda to the Governments of the Member Countries of the International Telecommunication Union :

1. Examination of the Report by the Technical Plan Committee and of the drafts for six phases of the Plan which it prepared following the basic plan approved at Mexico City and the final preparation of the phases of the Plan.

2. Preparation of provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan, a point covered in Resolution 158 of the Fourth Session of the Administrative Council.

3. Various questions connected with Items 1 and 2 such as the consideration of the frequency requirements of the State of Israel for high frequency broadcasting (Resolution 166 of the Fourth Session of the Administrative Council).

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DRAFT FOR THE COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE  
OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES TO BE SET UP BY  
THE CONFERENCE

1. Steering Committee. With the Chairman of the Conference presiding, to consider questions of interest to all Committees or questions which the Chairman considers he should reserve for the prior consideration of the Heads of Delegations.

The Committee shall be composed of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Conference, the Heads of Delegations and the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees.

A limited group of these latter under the Chairman or one of the Vice-Chairmen of the Conference shall prepare the agenda of the Plenary Assemblies and the time-tables of Committee, Sub-Committee and Working Group meetings.

2. Credentials Committee. To check the credentials of the various delegates in accordance with the provisions of the Atlantic City International Telecommunication Convention.

3. Phases of the Plan Committee. To prepare the phases of the Plan, after examining the Report by the Technical Plan Committee, the drafts for six phases of the Plan which it prepared and proposals from Administrations.

4. Implementation Committee. To prepare the provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan on the basis of Resolution 158 of the Administrative Council (4th Session), the draft prepared by the I.F.R.B. with the concurrence of the C.G.I.R. and any other proposals which may be submitted.

5. Drafting Committee. To draft the final documents of the Conference and other documents referred to it by the Plenary Assembly.

6. Budget Control Committee. To check all the expenditure of the Conference, to keep it within the limits of the budget approved by the Administrative Council and to ensure that such expenditure is justified.



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COUNTRIES PROPOSED FOR THE CHAIRMANSHIP AND VICE-  
CHAIRMANSHIP OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>1st Vice-Chairman</u>	<u>2nd Vice-Chairman</u>
1. Steering	Italy	Colombia	Pakistan
2. Credentials	Uruguay	New Zealand	Switzerland
3. Phases of the Plan	Mexico	U.S.S.R.	India
4. Implementation	United Kingdom	United States	Australia
5. Drafting	France	Canada	Cuba
6. Budget Control	(1) -	-	-

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- (1) The Budget Control Committee comprises the Delegates of Egypt (Chairman) and Italy (the inviting country) and a representative of the General Secretariat.

Sé.



PROPOSALS REGARDING CALENDAR AND TIME-TABLE  
OF THE CONFERENCE

It is suggested that the following days in Easter Week should be holidays:

From Friday, 7th, at 1 p.m. to Tuesday, 10th April, at 10 a.m.

The following are the hours suggested for the daily time-table of Assemblies, Committees, etc.:

From Monday to Friday

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

It is understood that meetings may be suspended for about 15 minutes, if the progress of the debates permits.



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ANY OTHER BUSINESS - COMMUNICATION OF A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR  
OF THE C.C.I.R. TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CONFERENCE

Washington, March 25th 1950

To the President of the  
International High Frequency  
Broadcasting Conference,  
Florence,  
Italy

Sir,

I wish to express the deep regret of the Permanent Secretariat of the C.C.I.R. to be unable to be represented in the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, owing to our participation at the Washington meetings of Study Groups Nos. 6 and 10, in the television demonstrations to be held in the United States, France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom which are to be followed by a meeting of Study Group No. 11.

You can however trust that as soon as these various meetings have completed their work, i.e. towards the end of May, the Vice-Director of the C.C.I.R. or myself will do their best to join the Conference in Rapallo and take part in those discussions in which the C.C.I.R. is interested, as I already mentioned in my answer to your Government's invitation forwarded by the Italian Consul General at Geneva. May I ask you to be good enough to inform the Conference of the above mentioned reasons for our absence and may I also hope that it will be possible to postpone the discussion of matters of direct interest to the C.C.I.R. until we can be represented at the Conference. In this connection, I have in mind any such measures that might be taken concerning the implementation of the Plan and that might be of direct interest to the C.C.I.R.

Sincerely yours,

(s) Prof. Dr. Balth van der Pol  
Director of the C.C.I.R.

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INDIA

Proposal concerning the Agenda of the Conference  
and the composition and terms of reference of the various Committees  
to be set up.

The Delegation of India has read with interest the proposal of the Chairman of the Conference on sections IV and V of the yellow document and has the following comments and proposals to make :

Section IV. Two more distinct items of work which are outlined below are visualised by the Delegation of India as necessary and important for the rapid and successful conclusion of the work of the I.H.F.B.C.

Section V. The creation of two more Committees to carry out this work are proposed :

a) A technical committee to review, examine, make recommendations on and work out details of technical questions and problems that will be presented by either the Plan phases Committee or the Plenary.

b) A requirements committee to consider, summarise and comment upon either original requirements presented by countries or modifications of time and frequency changes as may be submitted by various administrations with a view to maintain programme continuity.

The Delegation of India does not propose to state here the various merits of such proposals but would like to mention only the salient points and advantages accruing from such a procedure.

I. As will be readily seen the "Plan Phases Committee" of Florence has not only to examine the TPC report but also has to draw up six detailed and different plans (instead of one as in Mexico City). It is therefore obvious that it would be extremely unwise to overburden the Committee with any additional work which will not only make it unwieldy for a single committee but will hamper the progress and success of the most important work on hand.

II. The advantages arising out of channelised discussions and undistracted plan making cannot be adequately emphasised in a brief statement like this. From a superficial viewpoint, it might appear that a larger number of committees might complicate and prolong the actual work of plan making but in practice it will really be the reverse.

A counter argument which might be advanced against separate and parallel committees as opposed to a single committee with several subcommittees or working groups is the absence of facilities for coordination between the various committees and the necessity of going to the Plenary Assembly for transfer of material and decisions from one committee to another, but this is not of any consequence if it is realised that

a) discussions in any committee (if it were to be a sufficiently important committee) can be as complicated and as protracted as those of a Plenary Assembly and

b) coordination can be provided at the committee level itself without going to the Plenary Assembly if there is a will to expedite the proceedings of the Conference.

To sum up the arguments, my Delegation is of the opinion that the whole question is a matter of choice between fewer committees and apparently less complicated procedure on the one hand and organisational facilities for quicker disposal of work and smoother set up of functional machinery on the other. If a little thought is bestowed on the matter, it would be obvious that the latter is the right choice in the interests of the rapid conclusion of our work.

In view of the arguments advanced above, the Delegation of India strongly suggests the creation of two more committees with the following terms of reference:

Requirements Committee : To receive, review, summarise and comment upon either original requirements or proposals for modifications of programme timing, areas of reception of operating frequencies in the interest of programme continuity through the seasons of the year and phases of solar activity (subject to any general rules and regulations that might be decided upon by the Plenary Assembly). This information will be passed on to the Plan Phases Committee for incorporation, as far as possible, into the various plans that will be prepared by this committee.

Technical Committee : To examine, study and make recommendations on technical problems that will be presented to it either by the Plan Phases Committee or the Plenary Assembly.

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FRANCE

Proposal concerning the Agenda of the Conference.

1. Examination of the Report by the Technical Plan Committee and the drafts of the six phases of the Plan which it prepared following the basic plan approved at Mexico City, and final preparation of the phases of the Plan.
2. Preparation of provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan.
3. Various questions connected with Items 1 and 2 such as the consideration of technical questions arising out of the preparation of the plan; consideration of high frequency broadcasting requirements in special cases such as the State of Israel.



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CEYLON AND INDIA

Proposal concerning the Agenda of the Conference.

3. Questions connected with items 1 and 2, the consideration of the frequency requirements of the State of Israel for high frequency broadcasting (Resolution 166 of the Fourth Session of the Administrative Council), and the requirements or modifications as may properly be placed before the Conference.
4. Technical questions and problems that will arise during the course of preparation of the various phases of the Plan and in connection with the proposals for implementation of the Plan.

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M E X I C O

Proposal

concerning Item 3 of the  
Agenda of the Conference

3. Various questions connected with Items 1 and 2 such as the consideration of frequency requirements in special cases agreed upon by the Plenary Assembly, any technical studies, etc.

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B O L I V I A

Proposed amendment  
to Item 3 of the Agenda of the Conference

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3. Various questions connected with Items 1 and 2 such as the consideration, in special cases, of the high frequency broadcasting requirements of Israel and other States.

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ISRAEL

Proposed addition to point 3 of the Agenda of the  
Conference:

" Questions connected with this Item should be dealt  
with simultaneously with sections 1 and 2".

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A G E N D A  
of the Conference

(adopted by the Plenary Assembly in its fourth Meeting  
on 5 April 1950)

- 1.- Examination of the Report by the Technical Plan Committee and the drafts of the six phases of the Plan which it prepared following the basic plan approved at Mexico City, and final preparation of the phases of the Plan.
- 2.- Preparation of provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan.
- 3.- Various questions connected with items 1 and 2 such as :
  - a) Consideration of technical questions arising out of the preparation and implementation of the Plan;
  - b) Consideration of High Frequency Broadcasting requirements in special cases such as the State of Israel, Jordan and Yemen;
  - c) Consideration of the modified requirements submitted as a result of circumstances which have arisen since the submission of requirements at Mexico City.



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I T A L Y

Proposed terms of reference  
for the Requirements and Replies Committee  
(Committee 3)

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"To consider, coordinate and summarise countries'  
requirements, and to make commentaries and, if necessary,  
proposals."



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DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE  
FOR THE PHASES OF THE PLAN COMMITTEE  
(Committee 4)

(A proposal submitted jointly by the delegations  
of the United Kingdom, India and Indonesia)

- A. To review the final report of the Technical Plan Committee and to fix a date by which the comments of all delegations shall have been received in either written or oral form; and to review these comments.
- B. To recommend, after study of the report of the Requirements Committee, how best to adapt the phases of the Plan to meet objections and requirements.
- C. To appoint a Technical sub-committee for the purpose of considering specific technical questions relating to the preparation of the Plan.

(The Plan Committee will thereafter receive further directives from the Plenary Assembly in the light of the decisions taken on the recommendations).

RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE CONFERENCE

ARTICLE 1

Order of Placing of Delegations

At Plenary Sessions, as well as the meetings of Committees, the Delegates, representatives, experts and attachés shall be grouped in Delegations, and the Delegations shall be placed in alphabetical order of the French names of their respective countries.

ARTICLE 2

First Meeting of the Plenary Session

The first Plenary Session shall be opened by the person appointed by the inviting Government.

ARTICLE 3

Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen

The Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference shall be elected at the first meeting of the Plenary Session.

ARTICLE 4

Powers of the Chairman

The Chairman shall open and close the Plenary Sessions, direct the discussions, announce the results of the voting, and direct generally all the work of the Conference.

ARTICLE 5

Secretariat of the Conference

The Secretariat of the Conference shall be constituted and shall be composed of the Secretariat General of the Union and, if necessary, of the personnel of the administration of the inviting Government.





## ARTICLE 6

The Plenary Session may appoint Committees to examine matter submitted for consideration by the Conference. These Committees may appoint Sub-Committees, which in their turn will appoint Sub-Sub-Committees if necessary. The Committees may also appoint Working Groups as required.

## ARTICLE 7

### Composition of Committees

1. Committees shall be composed of delegates of Members and Associate Members which have made application or which have been appointed by the Plenary Session.

2. For consultative purposes, Committees may also include representatives of private operating agencies and representatives of duly recognized international bodies.

## ARTICLE 8

### Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Committees

1. The Chairman of the Conference shall submit for the approval of the Plenary Session the choice of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of each Committee.

2. The Chairmen of Committees will propose the organization of Sub-Committees and Working Groups.

## ARTICLE 9

### Participation of Private Societies

Societies, associations or individuals may be authorized by the Plenary Session or by Committees to present petitions or submit resolutions, provided that such petitions or resolutions are countersigned or supported by the Head of the Delegation of the country concerned. Such societies, associations or individuals may also attend the discussions only insofar as the Chairman of the Committee, in agreement with the Head of the Delegation of the country concerned, may deem advisable.

## ARTICLE 10

### Summons to meetings

The meetings of the Plenary Session and the meetings of

Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups shall be announced either by letter or by notice posted in the meeting place of the Conference.

#### ARTICLE 11

##### Discussions

1. Persons desiring to speak may do so only after having obtained the consent of the Chairman. As a general rule they shall identify themselves before speaking.

2. Any person speaking must express himself slowly and distinctly, separating his words and pausing frequently, so that all his colleagues may be able to follow his meaning clearly.

#### ARTICLE 12

##### Proposals Presented before the Opening of the Conference

Proposals presented before the opening of the Conference shall be sent by the Plenary Session to the appropriate Committees.

#### ARTICLE 13

##### Proposals presented during the Conference

1. No proposal or amendment shall be presented unless it is countersigned or supported by the Head of the Delegation of the country concerned or by his deputy.

2. The Chairman of the Conference shall decide whether the proposal or the amendment shall be announced to all Delegations by distribution of copies or merely by oral statement.

3. At meetings of the Plenary Session any authorized individual may read, or request to be read, any proposal or amendment presented by him during the Conference, and may be allowed to explain his reasons therefor.

#### ARTICLE 14

##### Proposals presented to Committees during the Conference

1. Proposals or amendments presented after the opening of Conference must be delivered to the Chairman of the appropriate Committee or, in case of doubt as to the appropriate Committee, to the Chairman of the Conference.

2. Proposals or amendments presented in Committee, or referred to Committee by the Chair of the Conference, shall be subject for purposes of discussion or voting to the provision in Article 16, with the exception of paragraphs 9 and 13, in regard to proposals or amendments presented to the Plenary Assembly.

3. The Chairman of the Committee concerned shall decide whether the proposal or amendment shall be announced to all members of the Committee by distribution of copies or merely by oral statement.

#### ARTICLE 15

##### Postponed Proposals

When a proposal or amendment has been reserved, or when its examination has been postponed, the Delegation sponsoring it shall be responsible for seeing that it is again considered.

#### ARTICLE 16

##### Voting Procedure at Plenary Sessions

1. At Plenary Sessions each proposal or amendment presented may after discussion be submitted to a vote at the discretion of the Chairman.

2. No proposal or amendment may be considered until it has been supported by at least one delegation other than the delegation presenting it.

3. Any proposal or amendment may be discussed in general in the first instance with the object of considering its general terms, so as to enable the Assembly to decide whether to take it into consideration or not.

4. Any proposal or amendment rejected in general terms on a vote shall be eliminated from the discussion in general and in particular.

5. (1) When a proposal or amendment has been approved in general terms, it shall be put for discussion in particular, in which connection the Chairman shall ask the Assembly which paragraphs, sub-paragraphs or clauses give rise to objection.

(2) Such paragraphs, sub-paragraphs or clauses shall be put for discussion or vote in succession in their logical order, that is to say, the points of a more general character being taken first.

(3) Paragraphs, ~~sub-paragraphs~~ or clauses to which no objection is taken, shall be taken as approved in particular.

6. (1) Amendments to a proposal under discussion shall be read at dictation speed by their authors. They shall then be discussed in succession, in a logical order to be determined by the Chairman, and in accordance with the procedure indicated in paragraph 5 above.

(2) No discussion of an amendment shall be begun until a decision has been taken on a preceding amendment.

(3) The author of a proposal or amendment shall have a right of reply.

7. (1) When amendments have been approved, the Chairman shall read the original text at dictation speed together with the form in which, in his judgment, the text should be finally worded.

(2) If the wording proposed by the Chairman is not approved by the Assembly, it shall be submitted if need arise to a small Drafting Group composed of the authors of the approved amendments. The text proposed by the Drafting Group shall be submitted to the Assembly for the latter's decision.

8. No proposal or amendment shall be put for discussion if it is :

(1) Beyond the competence or powers of the Conference

(2) Outside the scope of the particular matter or matters under discussion at the time.

(3) Inconsistent with any other proposal or amendment previously approved in the same meeting.

9. In order that a valid vote may be taken at a session of the Plenary Assembly, at least one half of the delegations accredited to the Conference and having the right to vote must be present or represented at the session at which the vote is taken.

10. Voting shall take place by a show of hands. If a majority is not clearly apparent, or if an individual count of the votes is requested, there shall be a roll call in the alphabetical order of the French names of the members.

11. No proposal or amendment shall be adopted at Plenary Sessions unless it is supported by a majority of the Delegates present and voting. In determining the number of votes required for a majority, abstentions shall not be taken into account. In case of a tie the measure shall be considered rejected.

12. If the number of abstentions exceeds one half of the number of Delegations present and voting, the measure shall be reconsidered at a subsequent meeting, at which time the abstentions shall not be taken into consideration.

13. If five or more Delegations present and entitled to vote request, when a vote is about to be taken, that it shall be taken by secret ballot, this shall be done, and the necessary steps shall be taken to guarantee secrecy.

14. Any duly accredited Delegations may authorize another duly accredited Delegation to vote for it at one or more meetings which it is unable itself to attend. In no case may a Delegation hold more than one such proxy.

#### ARTICLE 17

##### Adoption of New Provisions

1. As a general rule, Delegations which cannot have their opinion regarding a provision accepted by the others must endeavour to adopt the opinion of the majority.

2. However, if the measure proposed appears to a Delegation to be of such a nature as to prevent its Government from ratifying the decisions of the Conference, the Delegation may express reservations, final or provisional, regarding this measure.

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## ARTICLE 18

### Minutes of Plenary Sessions

1. The minutes of Plenary Sessions shall be drawn up by the Secretariat of the Conference.

2. (1) As a general rule, the minutes shall contain only the proposals and conclusions, with the chief reasons for them in concise terms.

(2) However, each Delegate, representative or observer shall have the right to require the insertion in the minutes, either summarized or in full, of any statement which he has made. In such case he must himself supply the text to the Secretariat of the Conference as soon as possible after the end of the meeting. It is recommended that this right should only be used with discretion.

## ARTICLE 19

### Reports of Committees

1. (1) The debates of the Committees and Sub-Committees shall be summarized, meeting by meeting, in reports in which shall be brought out the essential points of the discussion, the various opinions expressed of which it is desirable that the Plenary Session should be informed, and the proposals and conclusions which emerge.

(2) However, each Delegate, representative or observer shall have the right to require the insertion in the report either summarized or in full, of any statement which he has made. In such case he must himself supply the text to be inserted to the Reporter as soon as possible after the end of the meeting.

2. If circumstances warrant, the Committees or Sub-Committees shall prepare at the end of their work a final report, in which they shall recapitulate in concise terms the proposals and the conclusions which result from the studies which have been entrusted to them.

## ARTICLE 20

### Adoption of Minutes and Reports

1. (1) As a general rule, at the beginning of each meeting of the Plenary Session or of each meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee, the minutes or the report of the previous meeting shall be read.

(2) However, the Chairman may, if he considers such procedure satisfactory, and if no objection is raised, merely ask if any members of the Plenary Session, the Committee, or the Sub-Committee have any remarks to make on the contents of the minutes or of the report.

(3) Proposals for amendments to minutes or reports may be presented at the next meeting at which the adoption of such minutes or reports is on the agenda, or at any subsequent meeting.

2. The minutes or the report shall then be adopted or amended in accordance with the remarks which have been made and which have been approved by the Plenary Session, or by the Committee or Sub-Committee.

3. Any final report must be approved by the respective Committee or Sub-Committee.

4. (1) The minutes of the closing Meeting of the Plenary Session shall be examined and approved by the Chairman of the Conference.

(2) The report of the last meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee shall be examined and approved by the Chairman of the Committee or Sub-Committee.

## ARTICLE 21

### Editorial Committee

1. The texts of the decisions and recommendations of the Conference, which shall be worded as far as practicable in their definitive form by the various Committees, following the opinions expressed, shall be submitted to an Editorial

Committee charged with perfecting their form without altering the sense and with combining them with those parts of the former texts which have not been altered.

2. The whole of the revised texts shall be submitted for the approval of the Plenary Session of the Conference, which shall decide on them or refer them back to the appropriate Committee for further examination.

#### ARTICLE 22

##### Final Approval

The texts of decisions and recommendations shall be final after they have been read a second time and approved.

#### ARTICLE 23

##### Signature

The final texts approved by the Conference shall be submitted for signature to the Delegates provided with the necessary powers, in the alphabetical order of the French names of the countries.

#### ARTICLE 24

Official releases to the Press about the work of the Conference shall be issued only as authorized by the Chairman or a Vice-Chairman of the Conference.



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STATUS OF THE CONFERENCE

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( adopted by the Plenary Assembly at its 6 th Meeting on 6 April, 1950).

This Conference states that it is an extraordinary Administrative Conference under the provisions of Article 11, paragraph 3, sub-paragraph 1 (b) of the Atlantic City Convention and that it taking place in accordance with the General Regulations, annexed to that Convention.

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Addendum No. 1  
to  
Document No. 27-E  
6 April 1950

In Document No. 27-E, insert the following after the first paragraph of point 4 :

"(The Plenary Assembly urges Committee 4 to make every effort to finish its work by the end of April)".



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COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE  
OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES OF THE  
CONFERENCE.

(Adopted by the Plenary Assembly on 5 and 6 April 1950)

1. Steering Committee. With the Chairman of the Conference presiding, to consider all questions that the Chairman believes to concern all Committees or questions which the Chairman considers he should reserve for the prior consideration of the Heads of Delegations.

The Committee shall be composed of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Conference, the Heads of Delegations and the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees.

A limited group of these latter under the Chairman or one of the Vice-Chairmen of the Conference shall prepare the agenda of the Plenary Assemblies and the time-tables of Committee, Sub-Committee and Working Group meetings. The limited group shall also assure coordination between Committees.

2. Credentials Committee. To check the credentials of the various delegates in accordance with the provisions of the Atlantic City International Telecommunication Convention.

3. Requirements Committee. To consider, coordinate and standardize the presentation of requirements submitted in accordance with Item 3(b) and 3(c) of the Conference Agenda (Document 22), and to report on these as soon as possible. (The Plenary Assembly urges Committee 3 to make every effort to finish its work by the end of April).

4. Phases of the Plan Committee.  
To review the final report of the Technical Plan Committee and to fix a date by which the comments of all delegations shall have been received in either written or oral form; and to review these comments.

To recommend, after study of the report of the Requirements Committee, how best to adapt the phases of the Plan to meet objections and requirements.

To appoint a Technical sub-committee for the purpose of considering specific technical questions relating to the preparation of the Plan.

(The Plan Committee will thereafter receive further directives from the Plenary Assembly in the light of the decisions taken on the recommendations).

5. Implementation Committee. To prepare the provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan on the basis of Resolution 158 of the Administrative

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Council (4th Session), the draft prepared by the I.F.R.B. with the concurrence of the C.C.I.R. and any other proposals which may be submitted.

6. Drafting Committee. To draft the final documents of the Conference and other documents referred to it by the Plenary Assembly.

7. Budget Control Committee. To check all the expenditure of the Conference, to keep it within the limits of the budget approved by the Administrative Council and to ensure that such expenditure is justified.

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CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN  
OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>1st Vice-Chairman</u>	<u>2nd Vice-Chairman</u>
1. Steering	Italy	Territories of the U.S.A.	Pakistan
2. Credentials	Uruguay	New Zealand	Switzerland
3. Requirements	France	Indonesia	Venezuela
4. Phases of the Plan	Colombia	India	Portugal
5. Implementation	United Kingdom	United States	Australia
6. Drafting	Belgium	Canada	Cuba
7. Budget Control	Egypt	-	-



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CALENDAR AND TIME-TABLE OF THE CONFERENCE

The following days in Easter Week will be holidays :

From Friday, 7th at 1 p.m. to Tuesday, 10th April,  
at 10 a.m.

The following hours have been adopted for the daily  
time-table of Assemblies, Committees, etc..:

From Monday to Friday

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturdays

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

It is understood that meetings may be suspended for  
about 15 minutes, if the progress of the debates permits.

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TIME - TABLE

of meetings for Tuesday 11th April and Wednesday 12th April

Tuesday 11 April

<u>A.M.</u>	10 h.00	Committee 3	Palazzo Vecchio
	11 h.00	Committee 4	Palazzo Vecchio
	12 h.00	Committee 5	Palazzo Vecchio
<u>P.M.</u>	16 h.00	Committee 2	Room A, Palazzo Strozzi
	17 h.00	Committee 6	Room A, Palazzo Strozzi
	18 h.00	Committee 7	Room A, Palazzo Strozzi

Wednesday 12 April

<u>A.M.</u>	10 h.00	Committee 3	Palazzo Vecchio
	12 h.00	Limited Group of Committee 1	Palazzo Vecchio
<u>P.M.</u>	16 h.00	Committee 4	Palazzo Vecchio

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COMMITTEE 3

E G Y P T

The Chairman,  
International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to attach herewith the requirements of Palestine for high frequency broadcasting for Juin 70 Season, for consideration by Committee 3 (requirements committee) as has been decided by the Plenary Assembly, document 27-E.

These requirements, as all the members of this Conference are aware, are very essential to Palestine, and we hope they will receive the deserved consideration of the concerned committees.

Yours truly,

(signed) Anis El Bardai

The Egyptian Delegation

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P A L E S T I N E

Juin 70

Transmission N°	Areas of reception	Distance Kms.	Power kW	Antenna gain dbs.	Programme hours G.M.T.	Frequency band Mc/s	REMARKS
1	38,39	0-800	10	Omni	05-07 09-13 15-22	6 7 6	
2	38,39,40,48	800-2000	50	Omni	05-07 09-13 15-22	7 9 7	
3	37	2000-3500	50	12	05-07 09-13 15-22	11 15 9	
4	41,54	3000-6500	50	12	10-18	17	
5	28	800-2000	50	10	06-08 17-23	9 7	
6	27,28	2000-4000	50	10	07-09 17-23	11 9	
7	11,12,13,14	7800-12500	50	12	22-05	15	
8	6,7,8	8200-12000	50	12	23-04	11	

Committee 3

FRANCE

DEFINITION AND TREATMENT

of "needs", "requirements" and "comments"

1. The Plenary Assembly has adopted an Agenda (Document No. 22) and terms of reference for the various Committees (Document No. 27) containing the following points:

- the needs of special cases (Document No. 22, para. 3, sub-para. b), within the competence of Committee 3 (Document No. 27, para. 3),
- modified requirements submitted as a result of recent circumstances (Document No. 22, para. 3, sub-para. c), within the competence of Committee 3, (Document No. 27, para. 3),
- written or oral comments concerning the work of the TPC (Document No. 27, para. 4, sub-para. 1), within the competence of Committee 4 (Document No. 27, para. 4).

2. It would seem that varying interpretations were given to these texts during the first meetings of Committees 3 and 4, and for this reason we feel it advisable to set out below, in diagrammatic form, the definition and treatment of the various kinds of "needs, requirements and comments" such as they appear in the light of the decisions adopted by the Plenary Assembly.

New Requirements  
(not yet submitted)  
(Doc. No. 22, para. 3  
sub-para. b)

Requirements submitted in Mexico  
modified as a result of normal handling at Mexico  
special circumstances (condensed, reviewed, etc.)  
(to be considered) (Doc. finally included in the Basic  
No. 22, para. 3, sub-para. b) Plan (Doc. No. 27, para. 4)

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receiving the same treatment as  
that given to the other require-  
ments in Mexico, as a result of  
the work of Committee 3.

considered in the light of  
the comments supplied by the  
TPC or the written or oral  
comments made at the present  
conference.

Committee 4

preparation of the final  
Plan.



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Addendum N° 1  
au Document N° 33 - révisé.

PARTICIPATION AUX COMMISSIONS

Page 2, entre "France" et "Inde", ajouter "Grèce" et placer  
une \* dans les colonnes 2, 3, 4 et 5.

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Addendum N° 1  
to the Document N° 33 - revised.

PARTICIPATION IN COMMITTEES

Page 2, between "France" and "India", add "Greece" and insert  
an\* in columns 2, 3, 4 and 5.

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PARTICIPACION EN LAS COMISIONES

Página 2, añádase "Grecia" entre Francia y la India, y póngase  
un \* en las columnas 2, 3, 4 y 5.



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	2	3	4	5	6	7
Australie (Fédération) .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Autriche .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Belgique .....		*	*	*		
Birmanie .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Canada .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ceylan .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Chine .....		*	*	*		
Cité du Vatican (Etat de la) .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Colombie (République de) .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Colonies Portugaises .....		*	*	*		
Colonies, Protectorats, Territoires d'Outre-mer et Territoires sous mandat ou tutelle du Royaume-Uni de la Grande Bretagne et de l'Irlande du Nord .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Territoires d'Outre-mer de la République française et Territoires administrés comme tels .....		*	*	*		
Congo Belge et Territoires du Ruanda- Urundi .....		*	*	*		
Danemark .....		*	*	*		
Dominicaine (République) .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Egypte .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Etats-Unis d'Amérique .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ethiopie .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Finlande .....		*	*	*		

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France .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Inde .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Indonésie .....		*	*	*		
Islande .....		*	*	*		
Israël (Etat d') .....		*	*	*		
Italie .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Japon .....		*	*	*		
Liban .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Luxembourg .....		*	*	*	*	*
Mexique .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Monaco .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Nicaragua .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Norvège .....		*	*	*		
Nouvelle Zélande .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pakistan .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Portugal .....	*	*	*	*	*	
Pays-Bas, Surinam, Antilles néerlandaises et Nouvelle Guinée .....		*	*	*	*	
Rhodésie du Sud .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Royaume-Uni de la Grande Bretagne et de l'Irlande du Nord .....	*	*	*	*	*	*
Suède .....		*	*	*		
Suisse (Confédération) .....		*	*	*		*
Syrie .....	*	*	*	*		
Territoires des Etats-Unis d'Amérique ..		*	*	*		
Uruguay .....		*	*	*		
Vénézuéla .....		*	*	*		
R.F.P. de Yougoslavie .....	*	*	*	*		
Observateurs : Nations Unies .....		*	*	*		
Observers: I.F.R.B. ....			*	*		
Observadores :						

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AUSTRALIE (Fédération) .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
AUTRICHE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
BELGIQUE .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
BIRMANIE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
CANADA .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
CEYLAN .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
CHINE .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
CITE DU VATICAN (Etat de la) .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
COLOMBIE (République de) .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
COLONIES PORTUGAISES .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
COLONIES, PROTECTORATS, TERRITOIRES D'OUTRE-MER ET TERRITOIRES SOUS MANDAT OU TUTELLE DU ROYAUME-UNI DE LA GRANDE BRETAGNE ET DE L'IRLANDE DU NORD .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
TERRITOIRES D'OUTRE-MER DE LA REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE ET TERRITOIRES ADMINISTRES COMME TELS .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
CONGO BELGE ET TERRITOIRES DU RUANDA- URUNDI .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
DANEMARK .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
DOMINICAINE (République) .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
EGYPTE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
ETHIOPIE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x

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FINLANDE .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
FRANCE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
INDE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
INDONESIE .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
ISLANDE .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
ISRAEL (Etat d <sup>1</sup> ) .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
ITALIE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
JAPON .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
LIBAN .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
LUXEMBOURG .....	-	x	x	x	x	x
MEXIQUE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
MONACO .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
NICARAGUA .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
NORVEGE .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
NOUVELLE ZELANDE .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
PAKISTAN .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
PAYS-BAS, SURINAM, ANTILLES NEERLANDAI- SES ET NOUVELLE GUINEE .....	-	x	x	x	x	-
RHODESIE DU SUD .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
ROYAUME-UNI DE LA GRANDE BRETAGNE ET DE L'IRLANDE DU NORD .....	x	x	x	x	x	x
SUEDE .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
SUISSE (Confédération) .....	-	x	x	x	-	x
SYRIE .....	x	x	x	x	-	-
TERRITOIRES DES ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE .	-	x	x	x	-	-
URUGUAY .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
VENEZUELA .....	-	x	x	x	-	-
YOUgosLAVIE (R.F.P. de) .....	x	x	x	x	-	-
Observateurs : Observers: NATIONS UNIES ..... Observadores :	-	x	x	x	-	-

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UNITED STATES

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The United States Delegation submits for the information of this Conference the attached report entitled "A Prediction of Sunspot Numbers, 1950-55" prepared by the Central Radio Propagation Laboratory, National Bureau of Standards, United States Government.

2 Annexes.



A Prediction of Sunspot Numbers, 1950-55

The receipt of the final Zurich sunspot numbers for 1949 and the present progress of the solar cycle have made it desirable to revise the note of June 15, 1949, by the author. In addition to the secondary maximum of October 1948 for the smoothed relative sunspot numbers, still another minor maximum occurred centered on June 1949. At this writing, the latest available smoothed annual number is 129.8 for August 1949.

As in the previous note the predictions for the remainder of the current cycle (cycle 18) were prepared by an extension of the method by McNish and Lincoln (1). These predictions are presented in Figure 1. Deviations from the mean cycle are predicted from the latest observed deviation. Though the method is best suited for predictions one year in advance, it has been adapted to longer range predictions.

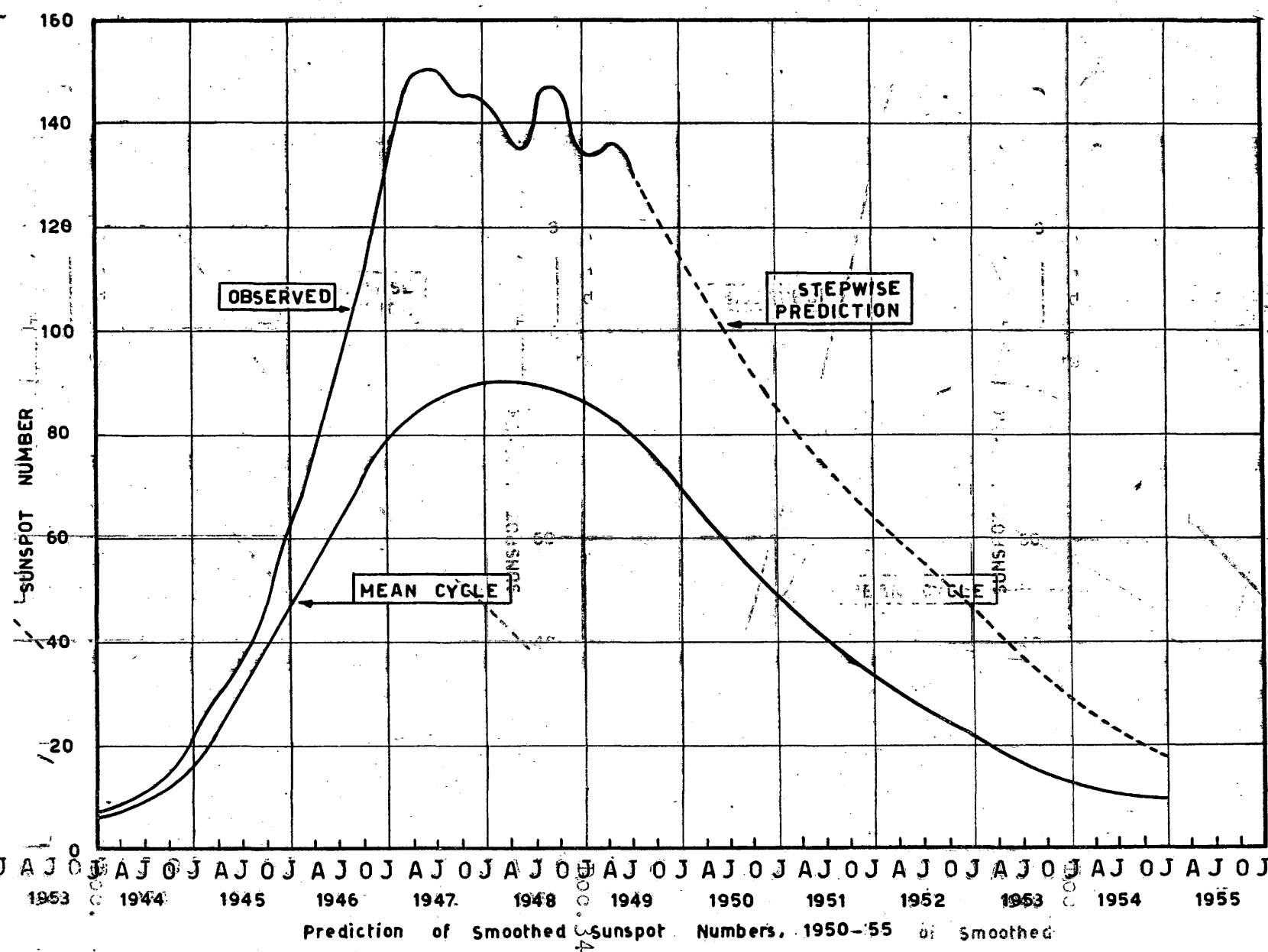
The predicted curve labeled "stepwise" was obtained as follows: the deviation from the mean cycle at August 1949 (5.5 years after the minimum) was  $\Delta R = R - \bar{R} = 48.8$ . This deviation was multiplied by the prediction factor  $k$  for one year in advance (6.5 years after minimum) taken from Figure 2 of McNish and Lincoln's paper (1), giving the predicted deviation  $\Delta R' = 37.8$  which added to the mean cycle at 6.5 years after minimum gave 95.6 as the prediction for August 1950. Predictions for further epochs were obtained stepwise. The predicted deviation for one epoch was taken as the observed deviation for the purpose of predicting next epoch.

As mentioned in the earlier note the accuracy of this prediction cannot be stated explicitly. Where the prediction is close to the mean cycle the standard deviations of the mean cycle may be considered applicable to the predictions, or approximately 10 sunspot numbers for 1953-55.

J.V. Lincoln

March 21, 1950.  
Central Radio Propagation Laboratory  
National Bureau of Standards

- (1) A.G. McNish and J.V. Lincoln, "Prediction of Sunspot Numbers",  
Trans. Amer. Geophys. U., 30, 673-685, 1949.



COMMITTEE 3

P O R T U G A L

Proposal concerning classification of requirements

In order to facilitate the debate on the proposal it made at the first meeting of Committee 3, the Portuguese Delegation wishes to submit the following remarks and considerations.

It believes that the classification of requirements should be given some standard form, so that it may be used as the work of the Conference progresses.

It therefore proposes the following classification :

- A) Proposals for adapting the assignments made in the Basic Plan.
- B) Requirements of countries not signatories of the Mexico City Agreement.
- C) Supplementary requirements.

A) The first category comprises the requirements of countries that signed the Mexico City Agreement and that, without increasing the number of channel hours assigned to them, are proposing alterations covered by one of the following headings :

- a) changes in frequency to allow for variations in propagation conditions or to maintain the continuity of programmes;
- b) changes in schedule necessary in certain cases where propagation is impossible in one or more phases at the times stipulated in the Basic Plan;
- c) changes in schedule necessitated by the change in legal time in the reception area;
- d) changes of circuit characteristics (reception area, transmitter power, antenna characteristics, etc.) with a view to using the same frequencies in the different phases of the Plan;
- e) correction of the characteristics of certain circuits in the Basic Plan (provided these corrections do not cause harmful interference to third parties).

B) The second category refers to the requirements of countries that did not sign the Mexico City Agreement and comprises the following cases :

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- a) Actual needs of countries that did not take part in the Mexico City Conference;
  - b) requirements submitted by countries after the preparation of the Basic Plan;
  - c) requirements of countries that did not accept the Basic Plan because their allocation of channel hours did not meet with their approval;
  - d) requirements of countries for which the Basic Plan did not provide the minimum channel hours necessary to satisfy their actual needs.
- c) The third category comprises the requirements classifiable under the following headings of countries that signed the Mexico City Agreement :
- a) Duly justified requirements increasing the number of channel hours assigned in the Basic Plan;
  - b) request for changes in the general distribution scheme of the Basic Plan with a view to obtaining a distribution of programmes better adapted to actual needs.

For the Delegation of Portugal :

H. Leotte Tavares

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TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS

from Thursday 13th to Wednesday 19th April

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Monday, 17 April

Add:

16 h.

Group 5A

Room A

Tuesday, 18 April

Replace:

10 h.

Committee 5

Room A

by

10 h.

Group 5A

Room A

Wednesday, 19 April

Add:

16 h.

Group 5A

Room A

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au Document N° 36-F  
12 avril 1950

SEANCE DU 14 AVRIL - 10 h.

COMMISSION 4

Au lieu de "Palazzo Vecchio", lire "Salle A".

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MEETING OF 14th APRIL - 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE 4

Instead of "Palazzo Vecchio", read "Room A".

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SESIÓN DEL 14 DE ABRIL - 10 h.

COMISIÓN 4

Sustitúyase "Palazzo Vecchio" por "Sala A".

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COMMITTEE 1

TIME-TABLE  
of Meetings from Thursday 13th April to  
Wednesday 19th April 1950

	COMMITTEES		
	Committee 3	Committee 4	Committee 5
Thursday 13th April 10 h. 16 h.	Room A ---	--- ---	--- Room A
Friday 14th April 10 h. 16 h.	--- ---	Palazzo Vecchio ---	--- ---
Saturday 15th April 10 h.	Room A	---	---
Monday 17th April 10 h. 16 h.	--- Working Groups Rooms 1 and 2	Room A ---	--- ---
Tuesday 18th April 10 h. 16 h.	--- Working Groups Rooms 1 and 2	--- ---	Room A ---
Wednesday 19th April 10 h. 16 h.	Room A Working Groups Rooms 1 and 2	--- ---	--- ---



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13 avril 1950

COMMISSION 5

ORDRE DU JOUR

de la deuxième séance, Jeudi 13 avril 1950 à 16 heures

1. Examen du rapport de la première séance
2. Discussion des questions qu'a soulevées l'étude des Documents Nos 2 et 3
3. Affaires diverses.

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Document N° 37-E  
13 April 1950

COMMITTEE 5

A G E N D A

for the Second Meeting, to be held on Thursday, 13th April, at 4.p.m.

1. Minutes of the first meeting
2. General discussion of questions arising from study of Documents No. 2 and 3
3. Other business.

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COMISION 5

ORDEN DEL DIA

de la segunda sesión, Jueves 13 de abril de 1950, a las 16.

1. Examen del informe de la primera sesión
2. Examen de las cuestiones que han surgido del estudio de los documentos núms. 2 y 3
3. Otros asuntos.



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COMMITTEE 4

PHASES OF THE PLAN COMMITTEE

Report of the First Meeting

11 AM, April 11, 1950

Chairman : Mr. Arboleda (Colombia)  
1st Vice-Chairman : Mr. Sastry (India)  
2nd Vice-Chairman : Mr. Bivar (Portugal)

1. Reporters were appointed as follows:

French : Mr. Pointeau (France)  
English : Mr. Cooke (U.S.A.), for this meeting.

2. Discussion of terms of reference (Document No. 24).

2.1 Concerning Paragraph A of Terms of Reference, it was first decided that all comments should be submitted in writing. After discussion by the Delegations of France, Egypt, Italy, Belgium, India, U.S.A., and the U.K. it was agreed to set a target date of April 29, 1950 for the reception of comments.

2.2 Regarding Paragraph B it was decided to postpone consideration until completion of the work envisaged in Paragraphs A and C.

2.3 Views were expressed for (Ceylon, Indonesia), and against (France, Italy, Canada), immediate establishment of a technical sub-committee (Paragraph C).

3. Due to several interruptions because of difficulties with the interpreting system the meeting was adjourned at 12 noon without reaching a decision concerning setting up of a technical sub-committee.

Reporters :

G. Pointeau  
M.G. Cooke

Chairman :

C. Arboleda



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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN  
OF THE TECHNICAL PLAN COMMITTEE  
(Florence Session)

The Chairman of the Conference wishes to draw delegates' attention to the following letter from the Chairman of the Technical Plan Committee (Second Session):

Florence, 13 April 1950

The Chairman of the International  
High Frequency Broadcasting Conference,  
Palazzo Strozzi, Florence.

Dear Sir, I beg to forward you herewith the Final Report by the T.P.C. (Florence Session) which forms the third part of the Final Report by the Technical Plan Committee; the first two parts have already been sent to Administrations by Mr. Jacques Meyer, Chairman of the T.P.C. (Paris Session) (Document 87 of the Paris Session). These two parts, together with the present Report, should thus be regarded as a whole.

The dossiers of administrations' observations received to date will be sent to you separately, accompanied by a brief summary of the observations with an introduction (Document 25 revised), a set of diagrams (Forms C) and statistical tables (Document 7), all of which the T.P.C. considered might be useful to the Conference in its work.

I remain, Sir, Your obedient servant, signed: L. Sacco

Chairman of the  
Technical Plan Committee  
(Florence Session)

Note by the Secrétariat

The Final Report by the T.P.C. ( T.P.C. Document 32), the summary of observations by administrations ( T.P.C. Document 25 revised ) and the statistics prepared by the Technical Group (T.P.C. Document 7) have been distributed to accredited delegates of the T.P.C. In view of the importance of these documents, a copy of each has also been distributed to delegates to the Conference who did not take part in the work of the T.P.C.

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COMMITTEE 5  
(Implementation)

REPORT OF THE FIRST MEETING,  
held on 11th April, 1950

1. The Chairman opened the meeting at 12.25 p.m. and introduced the Vice-Chairmen, Mr. Otterman of the United States Delegation and Mr. Kenna of the Australian Delegation. Miss Siller of the United Kingdom Delegation was appointed Reporter.
2. The Chairman went on to read the terms of reference of the Committee, which are as follows :

"To prepare the provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan on the basis of Resolution 158 of the Administrative Council (4th Session), the draft prepared by the I.F.R.B. with the concurrence of the C.C.I.R., and any other proposals which may be submitted".

He briefly recalled the circumstances that had led to the formulation of Resolution N° 158 and the preparation of the draft referred to and pointed out that these had now been issued to the Conference as Documents Nos 2 and 3 respectively.

3. Continuing, the Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to the presence of Mr. J.A. Gracie, who was representing the International Frequency Registration Board as an observer; his advice and assistance in the course of discussions on the questions dealt with by the Committee would be of great value.

METHOD OF WORKING TO BE ADOPTED

4. The Chairman said that whilst it would undoubtedly be necessary to set up one or more working groups in due course to deal with the different aspects of the question which might arise out of the discussions, he thought that it would be premature to attempt to do so at this first meeting. He proposed instead that at the next meeting, the main Committee discuss the documents which had been entrusted to it for consideration, together with any other proposals or suggestions which delegations might wish to make, in general terms, taking advantage of Mr. Gracie's presence to obtain any additional information which he might be able to provide. He thought that the Committee would then be in a better position to see clearly what were the broad sub-divisions of its task and to formulate proposals to set up working groups to deal with the various aspects of the subject. This was agreed.



5. The Chairman expressed the hope that, at the next meeting, all delegates would come prepared for a general discussion of Documents 2 and 3. He asked that delegations which wished to submit proposals would do so, as far as possible, in writing. He suggested that, as the meeting had been late in starting, any further discussion should be left to the next meeting, the time and date of which would be announced as soon as the weekly schedule had been prepared. This was agreed.

The meeting then closed at 12.40 p.m.

J. Siller  
Reporter

P. W. F. Fryer  
Chairman

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COMMITTEE 2

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

First meeting, 4 p.m.

April 11, 1950

Chairman : Mr. Rafael J. Milans (Uruguay)  
First Vice-Chairman : Mr. Ernest Medley Roy Green (New Zealand)  
Second Vice-Chairman : Dr. Ernst Robert Metzler (Switzerland)

1. Rapporteur appointed :

Mr. Gordon (U.S.A.)

2. Discussion of terms of reference.

Document 27 was cited as outlining the committee's work.

3. Participants.

Secretary read off list of countries which have submitted credentials.

4. Credentials. Criteria for appraising credentials were discussed.

4.1 New Zealand delegate raised questions as to

Requirement of full plenipotentiary powers.  
Whether this was continuation of Mexico City Conference.  
Whether new credentials would be required.

Decided : that this was a separate conference.  
New Credentials would be required.

4.2 U.K. delegate brought up question of administration by which  
credentials signed.

Decided : Credentials given by competent administration, such as  
postal authorities were sufficient.

4.3 Italian delegate proposed principles set forth in Mexico City Conference  
might be used in appraising credentials.

Decided : Secretariat would produce copies of the appropriate Mexico  
City Conference document for perusal of committee delegates,



after which it could be decided whether those principles would be adopted for this conference.

- 4.4 Egyptian delegate differentiated between provisional credentials and final credentials; telegraphic provisional credentials might be acceptable for participation in deliberations, but final credentials prerequisite for signature. Atlantic City Chapter 3, para. 3 cited identical principle.

Decided : Await production of the Mexico City principles.

- 4.5 Dates. Fixing of date for presentation of final credentials.

Decided : Too early as yet to decide dates; can be better determined after Mexico City principles shall have been reexamined.

5. Working Group.

Chairman inquired whether the committee should examine the credentials or whether it should be entrusted to a working group.

U.K. delegate suggested it could be entrusted to a working group which could report back to the credentials committee.

Decisions : After Secretariat submits Mexico City document outlining credentials principles followed at Mexico City Conference, requirements for credentials can be decided, as well as terms of reference to a small working group which will be entrusted with the examination of credentials.

The meeting closed at 4.47 p.m.

The Rapporteur :

Bartley P. Gordon

APPROVED :

The Chairman :

Rafael J. Milans

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COMMITTEE 3

WORKING GROUP 3B

NOTE TO DELEGATIONS

Submissions of Requirements in cases where countries were unable to make their needs known at the time of the Mexico City Conference.

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Delegates are reminded that Working Group 3B has been charged with the responsibility of studying the above requirements on behalf of Committee 3.

To this end, it is proceeding forthwith to the examination of such requirements falling in this category as may be available to it.

Delegations concerned will greatly assist the Working Group if they will facilitate the submission of the appropriate documents supporting their particular cases and if they will hold themselves in readiness to be interviewed by Working Group 3B.

Prior notice of any submissions in the above category which it is intended to make would be appreciated by the Group and should be submitted to the Chairman who will provide a schedule of information required by the Group.

E.H.R. Green  
Chairman, Group 3B

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WORKING GROUP 5A

Composition and Terms of Reference, as Decided at the Second  
Meeting of the Implementation Committee on 13th April, 1950

1. Composition.

Portugal	Chairman
Canada	
United States	
France	
Israel	
Italy	
Mexico	
United Kingdom	

2. Terms of Reference.

To prepare information indicating the specific nature of the duties which the Organisation entrusted with the Implementation of the Plan would have to perform in carrying out the list of functions given in Annex I to the Mexico City agreement, which could eventually serve as a basis for preparing estimates of the expenses that will be incurred in implementing the Plan.



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COMMITTEE 4

PHASES OF THE PLAN COMMITTEE

Report of the Second Meeting

12 April 1950 - 4 p.m.

Chairman : Mr. Arboleda (Colombia)

1st Vice-Chairman : Mr. Keshava Chandra (India)

2nd Vice-Chairman : Mr. Leotte Tavares (Portugal)

1. Technical Sub-Committee

1.1 Creation of the Technical Sub-Committee (paragraph C of the Terms of Reference).

After a quick summary of the 1st meeting of the Committee by the Chairman (Doc.No.38), discussion continued with regard to paragraph C of the Terms of Reference (Doc.No.24). The Delegates of Ceylon, Canada, Colombia, the United Kingdom and France took part in this discussion and it was finally decided to set up immediately the Sub-Committee referred to in paragraph C of the Terms of Reference.

1.2 Chairman and Membership

Following a proposal by the Delegate of the Vatican City, supported by the Delegates of Switzerland and Italy, Mr. Sastry (India) was appointed Chairman of the Technical Sub-Committee.

The following countries applied for membership in this Technical Sub-Committee :

Austria  
Canada  
Colombia  
Egypt  
United States  
France

Indonesia  
Italy  
Japan  
Mexico  
Pakistan  
Netherlands

Portugal  
United Kingdom  
Switzerland  
Syria  
Yugoslavia



### 1.3 Terms of Reference

In reply to a question by the Delegate of the United Kingdom, the Chairman explained that the specific technical questions to be studied by the Sub-Committee would be submitted to it by Committee 4. Paragraph C of the Committee's Terms of Reference would be adopted as the Terms of Reference of the Technical Sub-Committee, i.e. "..... for the purpose of considering specific technical questions relating to the preparation of the Plan."

## 2. Working Group

### 2.1.1 Creation of a Working Group (paragraph A of the Terms of Reference)

The Chairman proposed that the work referred to in paragraph A of the Terms of Reference should be entrusted to a Sub-Committee. At a suggestion by the Delegate of Colombia, supported by the Delegates of Portugal, Italy, and the United States, the Committee decided to set up an ordinary Working Group to deal with this work, rather than a Sub-Committee.

### 2.2 Chairman and Membership

At the proposal of the Delegate of Colombia, supported by the Delegate of the Netherlands, the Committee appointed Mr. Metzler (Switzerland) Chairman of the Working Group.

At the proposal of the Chairman, the Working Group was constituted as follows :

Belgium	Mexico
India	New Zealand
Italy	Portugal
Indonesia	United Kingdom

### 2.3 Terms of Reference

As the result of a discussion between the Delegates of France, the United Kingdom, Austria, Italy and Canada, the following Terms of Reference were adopted for the Working Group :

"To review the Final Report of the Technical Plan Committee and to analyse the written comments received from the delegations. The Group shall obtain any necessary data by means of interviews with the delegations and shall complete its work within the time limit stipulated by the Committee".

Following a suggestion by the Observer of the United Nations, the Committee recommended that the Working Group should study the two points of

its Terms of Reference separately, giving priority to the first point :  
"To review the Final Report of the Technical Plan Committee". The Chairman  
stated that the Working Group might submit a preliminary report to the  
Committee on this first point before April 29, and before completing its  
study of the second point of its Terms of Reference.

At the suggestion of the Delegate of Italy, supported by the Delegate  
of Colombia, it was decided that the Committee should meet again within ten  
days, when it would be in a better position to fix the date upon which the  
final report of the Working Group should be submitted to the Committee.

3. The meeting rose at 6 p.m.

Chairman :

Arboleda

Rapporteurs :

Julia Gilbert

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COMMITTEE 3

REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the 1st Meeting

Tuesday, 11 April 1950

The meeting opened at 10 a.m. with Mr. Daumard (France) in the Chair, assisted by the Vice-Chairmen, Mr. H.J. Schippers (Indonesia) and Mr. J.A.Lopez (Venezuela).

1. At the suggestion of the Chairman, a delegate of the United States was chosen as the English-speaking rapporteur and a delegate of Italy as the French-speaking rapporteur.
2. The Chairman reminded the Committee that its Terms of reference, as published in Document 27, were:  
"to consider, coordinate and standardize the presentation of requirements submitted in accordance with Item 3 (b) and 3 (c) of the Conference Agenda (Document 22), and to report on these as soon as possible. (The Plenary Assembly urges Committee 3 to make every effort to finish its work by the end of April)".
3. The Chairman proposed that a time-limit should be set for the submission of requirements.
4. After some discussion, in which the Delegates of Italy, Switzerland, Syria, India and Belgium took part, the Committee agreed that 17 April should be the time-limit for the submission of modified requirements (Doc. 22, 3c), and 25 or 26 April that for new requirements (Doc. 22, 3b).
5. To deal with the work, the Chairman suggested that one working group should be set up to handle the new requirements and another to handle the modified requirements.



6. A discussion ensued as to the meaning of the words "new" and "modified requirements", the Delegates of the Netherlands, France, Portugal, Yugoslavia and Egypt taking part.
7. Further discussion was postponed until the next meeting.

The meeting rose at 11 a.m.

Rapporteur:  
L. Sponzilli

Chairman:  
L. Daumard

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COMMITTEE 3

REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Second Meeting

Wednesday, 12 April 1950

The meeting opened at 10 a.m. with Mr. Daumard (France) in the Chair, assisted by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. H.J. Schippers (Indonesia) and Mr. J.A. López (Venezuela).

1. The Chairman suggested that minutes of meetings should be in summary form and that statements requested by delegates should be annexed.
2. The proposal was adopted.
3. The Committee went on to consider Document No. 32, submitted by the Delegation of France, concerning the definition of "needs" and "requirements".
4. The Delegate of France gave a general explanation of the contents of this document, which was followed by a discussion between the Delegates of Egypt, Italy, the Netherlands, France, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Belgium and Portugal.
5. The Chairman gave a brief summary of the discussion concerning Document No. 32 and confirmed that the Committee was agreed as to the definition of the expressions "unpublished requirements" and "new requirements". "Unpublished requirements" were those which had been submitted by certain countries for the first time, while "new requirements" referred to requirements which contained various modifications as compared with those submitted in Mexico, as well as those which did not conform exactly with the assignments made in the Basic Plan.
6. The Delegates of Egypt, Belgium, Yugoslavia and the United States made statements concerning the requirements submitted in Mexico.
7. The Chairman confirmed the Committee's agreement that the requirements should relate to June 70.
8. He suggested that a Working Group should be set up to deal with the "unpublished" requirements and another to handle the "new" requirements (or those which had been modified).

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9. A discussion ensued between the Delegates of Mexico, Belgium, France, Switzerland, Portugal, French Oversea Territories and Egypt, with regard to the terms of reference of the group entrusted with the new requirements.
10. As the result of a vote, the following terms of reference were adopted for the group entrusted with the study of the new requirements, by 32 votes to 0, with 4 abstentions :

(Group 3A) :

"To examine the modified requirements submitted as a result of recent circumstances which have arisen since the original requirements were submitted in Mexico, to analyse these requirements, to summarize and assess the arguments put forward by countries in support of these new requirements and to submit a report to Committee 3 by 25 April at the latest. During its work, the Group may interview individual delegations should this prove necessary".

11. A vote was taken regarding the composition of the Group, and the following composition was adopted by 31 votes in favour and 7 abstentions :

Chairman : Canada.

Members : Australia, United States, France, India, Italy, Mexico, Pakistan, United Kingdom.

Observer : United Nations.

The meeting rose at 12 p.m.

French Rapporteur :

L. Sponzilli

Chairman :

L. Daumard

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RECOMMENDATION OF SUB-GROUP 3A TO COMMITTEE 3

This Working Group recommends to Committee 3 :

1. That the broad classifications as contained in paragraphs A, B, and C of Document No. 35 submitted by the Portuguese Delegation be accepted as a general basis for the submission of either new or modified requirements;
2. That the supplementary divisions of these categories should not be formally accepted but should be regarded by delegations as guidance notes in preparing their submissions. It would be understood that the precise division of responsibilities between Committees 3 and 4 will be settled between the respective Chairmen;
3. That all submissions should be related to the basic plan of Mexico City with an indication as to whether they involve
  - a) deletions
  - b) additions
  - c) modifications.
4. That the submission should be made graphically on Forms A as used at Mexico City with additional space for remarks for the fulfillment of para. 3, above.

R. Cairns  
Chairman  
Working Group 3A

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The Chairman of Committee 4 has received from the  
Chairman of Committee 5, the following letter:

The Chairman,  
Committee 4.

Dear Sir,

At the second meeting of the Implementation Committee  
(Committee 5), which was held on Thursday 13 April, it was  
decided that in connection with certain studies in which the  
Committee is engaged and which are related to the "Functions  
of the Organisation Entrusted with the Implementation of the  
Plan", it is necessary:

"To study the question of whether the dates and  
timing for the seasonal frequency changes can be  
determined by the present Conference and, if so,  
to make appropriate recommendations. Subsequently,  
to study the question of the sunspot numbers at  
which changes should be made from one set of phases  
of the plan to another and, if possible, to fix the  
dates at which such changes should take place."

As regards the methods of working to be adopted in the  
study of these questions, Committee 5 is of the opinion that  
the problems involved are largely technical in character and,  
therefore, appropriate to be studied by the Technical Sub-  
Committee of Committee 4.

I am, accordingly, directed by Committee 5 to bring  
this matter to your attention and to ask you to be good enough  
to transmit the questions concerned to the Technical Sub-  
Committee of Committee 4 for consideration. I am also directed  
to explain that it will be appreciated if a report on these  
questions can be made available as quickly as possible since  
the substance of this report will bear directly on other work  
on which Committee 5 is engaged at present.



As regards the question of "the sunspot numbers at which changes should be made from one set of phases of the plan to another" I am instructed to draw your attention and, through you, the attention of the Technical Sub-Committee, to Annex 14 to the first part of the Report of the Technical Plan Committee, the substance of which has a direct bearing on this particular problem.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

P.W.F. FRYER

Chairman,  
Committee 5

14 April 1950.

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Document No 49-E.

15 April 1950

COMMITTEE 4

F R A N C E

REQUIREMENTS

The French Broadcasting Administration has, together with its comments, submitted to the Technical Plan Committee, "requirements modified as the result of proposals by the TPC".

Following the discussions which took place in Committees 3 and 4 regarding the different categories of "needs, requirements and comments", and in order to avoid any confusion, the Delegation of France wishes to point out that these "requirements modified as the result of proposals by the TPC" remain valid for the present Conference.

Such requirements have, however, been modified in relation to the allocations made in the TPC Draft, and in certain cases, there may be some discrepancies with regard to an automatic conversion of the Basic Plan. It is quite clear that a country which is deprived of the allocations in the Basic Plan for the less favourable phases will be obliged to re-adapt its programmes.

In our opinion, therefore, these requirements should not be considered as "modified requirements" such as those which come within the competence of Committee 3, but as requirements resulting directly from the comments on the TPC proposals, and which, as such, should be examined by Committee 4.



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LIST OF DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL  
HIGH FREQUENCY BROADCASTING CONFERENCE

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No. of Document	No. of the Committee	Title
1	-	Resolution No. 157 of the A.C. (Text published).
2	-	Resolution No. 158 of the A.C. (Text published).
3	-	Implementation of the plan (457 CA/4 revised in accordance with 566 CA/4).
4	-	Resolution No. 166 of the A.C. (Text published).
5	-	Letter from Israel to the Secretary General (Assignments).
6	-	Draft Rules of procedure of the Conference.
7	-	Agenda of the first meeting of the Plenary Assembly.
8 (rev.)	-	List of participants in the Conference.
9	-	Communication of a telegram from Pekin.
10	-	Telegram received from Brussels.
11	-	Draft Agenda of the Conference.
12	-	Composition and terms of reference of Committees. ✓
13	-	Countries proposed for the Chairmanship and Vice-Chairmanship of Committees.
14	-	Proposal regarding Calendar and Time-Table of the Conference.
15	-	Letter from the C.C.I.R. (possibility of participation)..
16	-	Proposals concerning the Agenda of the Conference and the composition of Committees.
17	France	Proposal concerning the Agenda of the Conference.
18	Ceylon & India	Proposal concerning the Agenda of the Conference.
19	Mexico	Proposal concerning Item 3 of the Agenda of the Conference.

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20	Bolivia	Amendment to Item 3 of the Agenda of the Conference.
21	Israel	Proposed addition to Item 3 of the Agenda of the Conference.
22	-	Agenda of the Conference adopted by the Plenary Assembly at its fourth Meeting.
23	Italy	Proposed terms of reference for Committee 3. ✓
24	United Kingdom, India et Indonesia	Draft terms of reference for Committee 4. ✓
25	-	Rules of Procedure for the Conference.
	-	Status of the Conference (adopted by the Plenary Assembly at its sixth Meeting).
27	-	Composition and terms of reference of various Committees of the Conference (adopted on 5 and 6 April).
27 (Add.)	-	Addendum to Doc. 27.
28	-	Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the various Committees.
29	-	Calendar and Time-Table of the Conference.
30	-	Time-Table of Meetings for Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 April.
31	Egypt	Letter to the Chairman of the Conference concerning the requirements for Palestine; requirements for June 70 (Committee 3).
32	France	Definition and Treatment of "needs", "requirements" and "comments" (Committee 3).
33 (rev.)	-	Participation of various countries in Committees.
34	United States	Prediction of Sunspot Numbers 1950 - 55 (with diagram).
35	Portugal	Classification of requirements.
36	-	Time-Table of Meetings from 13 to 19 April.
36 (Corr.)	-	Corrigendum No. 1 to Doc. 36.
36 (Corr.)	-	" No. 2 " " "
37	5	Agenda for the Second Meeting of the Implementation Committee, 13 April 1950.
38	4	Report of the Phases of the Plan Committee. First Meeting, 11 April 1950.

No. of Document	No. of the Committee	Title
39	-	Final Report of the T.P.C. (Covering letter with Annex ).
40	5	Report of the Implementation Committee, First Meeting, 11 April 1950.
41	2	Report of the Credentials Committee. First Meeting, 11 April 1950.
42	3	Working Group 3B (New requirements), Note to delegations.
43	5	W. Group 5A (Estimate of costs incurred in implementing the Plan). Composition and terms of reference, 13 April 1950.
44	4	Report of the Phases of the Plan Committee. Second Meeting, 12 April 1950.
45	3	Report of the Requirements Committee. First Meeting, 11 April 1950.
46	3	Report of the Requirements Committee. Second Meeting, 12 April 1950.
47	3	Recommendations of Sub-Group 3A to Committee 3.
48	4/5	Letter from the Chairman of Committee 5 to the Chairman of Committee 4.
49	France	Requirements of Radiodiffusion française (Committee 4).
50	-	List of Documents published to date.

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Document no. 51-E  
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COMMITTEE 3

The Chairman of the Conference received the following letter from  
the Chief of the Delegation of Syria :

The Chairman,  
International High Frequency Conference  
Florence.

Sir,

The following changes in reception areas are considered  
essential in the frequency assignments for Syria in the June  
70 sunspot plan. These changes will not affect the protection  
ratios, i.e., the protection ratios after these corrections  
will still be within the limit :

- a) Channel No.6 in the 9 Mc/s band from 5-7,  
10-13, and 15-18 GMT mentioned in the plan  
as transmitted to areas 38 and 39, to be  
corrected to be transmitted to areas 38,  
39 and 40.
- b) Channel No.11 in the 11 Mc/s band from  
20-22 GMT mentioned in the plan as trans-  
mitted to area 38 to be corrected to be  
transmitted to areas 27 and 28.

Sincerely yours,

signed : M.R. Hamza  
for the Syrian Delegation



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Document No.52-E (revised)  
15 April 1950

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COMMITTEES 3 & 4

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Delegation of the French Oversea Territories and territories administered as such :

Florence, 14 April 1950

To the Chairman of the Conference

Sir,

I have the honour to send you herewith the "modified requirements" for those of the French Oversea Territories which have been known heretofore as "Indochina".

Changes have occurred in the political structure of Indochina since the Mexico Conference, as the result of which several completely independent broadcasting services have been set up in place of the single centralized service which formerly existed.

This situation definitely comes within the category of the "circumstances" referred to in sub-paragraph c) of paragraph 3 of the Agenda of the Conference (Document No.22).

The attached "modified requirements" which cancel out and replace the requirements previously submitted in the name of Indochina, have been established for the June 70 phase, on the lines of the Basic Plan.

It goes without saying that the comments submitted to the TPC for the other French oversea territories remain entirely valid.

I am, Sir,

Yours etc .....

Jean Meyer

Head of the Delegation of the French Oversea  
Territories and territories administered as such.

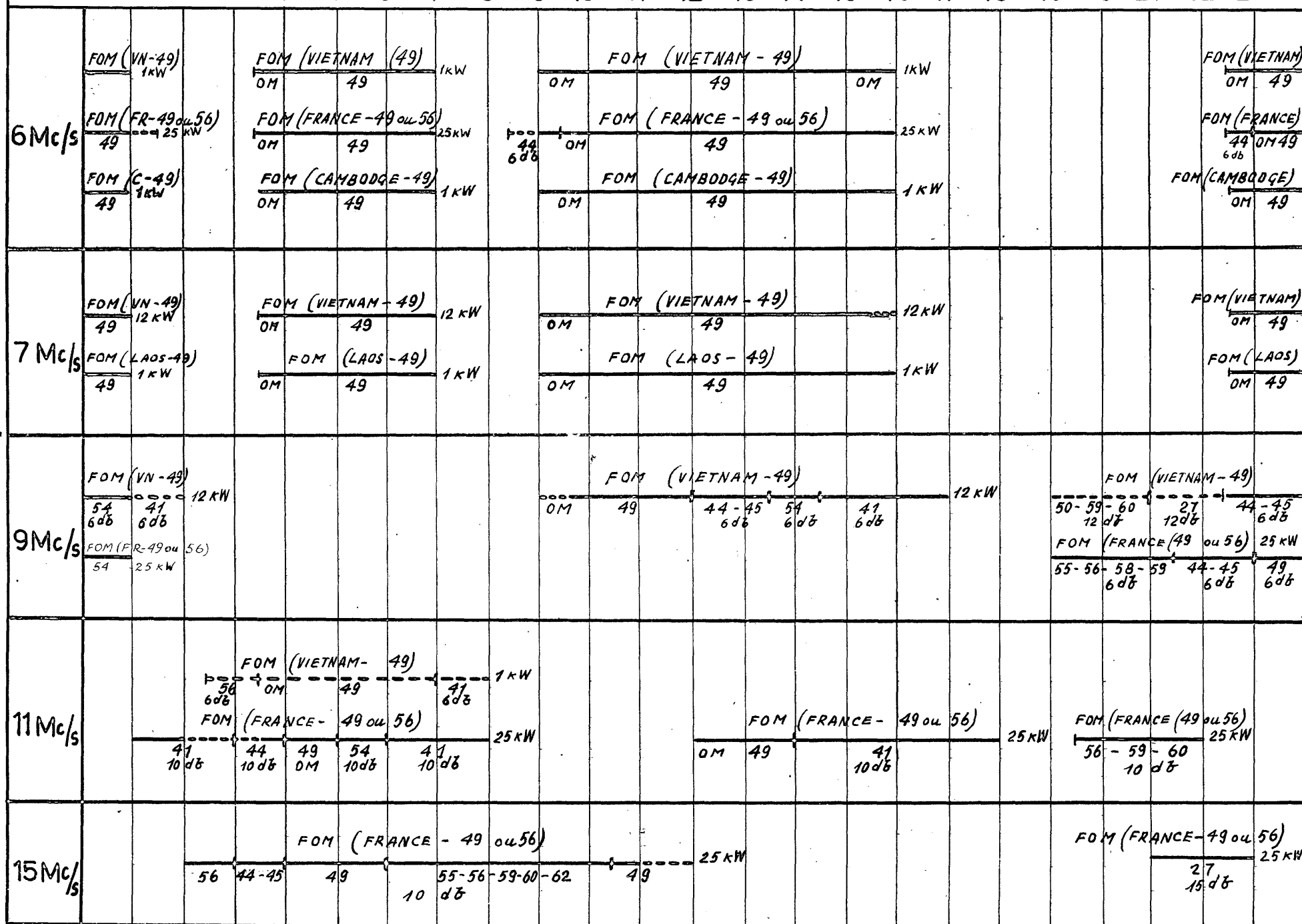


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Allocations antérieurement faites dans le Plan de Base à l'Indochine, et dont la demande est confirmée.

.Allocations previously made to Indochina in the Basic Plan and the request for which is confirmed.

Asignaciones hechas anteriormente a la Indochina en el Plan Básico, y cuya solicitud está confirmada.

Allocations nouvelles demandées pour tenir compte des besoins nouveaux.

New allocations required to cover new needs.

Nuevas asignaciones solicitadas para satisfacer nuevas necesidades.

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Document No. 52-E  
15 April 1950

COMMITTEE 4

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Delegation of the French Oversea Territories and territories administered as such :

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Sir,

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This situation definitely comes within the category of the "circumstances" referred to in sub-paragraph e) of paragraph 3 of the Agenda of the Conference. (Document No. 22).

The attached "modified requirements" which cancel out and replace the requirements previously submitted in the name of Indochina, have been established for the June 70 phase, on the lines of the Basic Plan.

It goes without saying that the comments submitted to the TPC for the other French overseas territories remain entirely valid.

I am, Sir,

Yours etc.....

Jean Meyer

Head of the Delegation of the French Oversea  
Territories and territories administered as such.



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## FRANCE D'OUTREMER — JUIN 70

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FRANCE (49 ou 56)  
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15 db

— Allocations antérieurement faites dans le Plan de Base à l'Indochine, et dont la demande est confirmée.

Allocations previously made to Indochina in the Basic Plan and the request for which is confirmed.

Asignaciones hechas anteriormente a la Indochina en el Plan Básico, y cuya solicitud está confirmada.

----- Allocations nouvelles demandées pour tenir compte des besoins nouveaux.

New allocations required to cover new needs.

Nuevas asignaciones solicitadas para satisfacer nuevas necesidades.

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COMMITTEE 4

The Chairman of Committee 4 has received the following letter from  
the Chairman of the Committee's Working Group :

"Florence, 15 April 1950

Mr. Arboleda,  
Chairman of Committee 4,  
C.I.R.A.F.,  
Firenze.

Sir,

At the first meeting of the Working Group of your Committee, a  
question was raised, which, in the Group's opinion, calls for an immediate  
solution and with which I beg to acquaint you in this letter.

What procedure should be followed with regard to the assignments  
made by the Technical Plan Committee to the countries which left the  
Conference on April 4th ?

I have taken the liberty of bringing this question to your attention  
in the hope that you will take all necessary steps.

Dr. E. Metzler,  
Chairman of the Working Group."

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MINUTES  
of the  
Opening Meeting

Saturday, 1 April 1950, at 10.30 a.m.  
Palazzo Vecchio

Mr. Giuseppe Spataro, Minister of Posts and Telecommunications of the Italian Republic was in the Chair.

Also on the Platform were :

- Mr. Mario Fabiani, Mayor of Florence,
- Mr. Giuseppe di Guglielmo, Director General of Telecommunications,
- Mr. Albino Antinori, Inspector General of Telecommunications,
- Mr. Vijo Yloestalo, Delegate of Finland, Doyen of the Conference,
- Mr. Léon Mulatier, Secretary General of the International  
Telecommunication Union,
- Mr. Jean Millot, Secretary of the Conference.

Mr. Spataro opened the meeting with the following speech :

"Gentlemen,

"It was a great honour you did to Italy when you agreed unanimously, in Mexico City to meet in Florence for the second International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference. Nothing could be more gratifying to a country whose traditions of hospitality are so old and which intends to abide by these time-honoured traditions.

"As the former President of the Italian Broadcasting Company and in my present capacity of Minister of Posts and Telecommunications, I am happy to bid you and the charming ladies who accompany you welcome on behalf of the Italian Administration. It is particularly gratifying to us to see, gathered in this hall which is connected with so many important events in our national history, the most distinguished experts in the field of science, technique and broadcasting.

"I can assure you that the country of Guglielmo Marconi considers it a great event for this Conference to be convened within these ancient walls.

"The task you have to fulfil is an arduous one and it involves great responsibilities : for the first time in the history of high frequency broadcasting, you are called upon to devise rules for the use of one of the most powerful instruments - if not the most powerful which human genius has placed at the disposal of mankind to teach, educate and entertain peoples, to propagate all over the world ideas, information and knowledge of every kind in spite of all geographical obstacles and beyond all political boundaries, in order to bring into closer spiritual contact men of different characters and cultures, to



facilitate and promote the international understanding which alone will make it possible for nations to live together in peace and civilisation.

"Years of theoretical and practical research have enabled us to formulate a plausible and coherent theory of the ionospheric propagation of short waves, the course of which can now be predicted in time and in space. It is henceforth possible to make a more rational and economical use of these waves than was the case in the past and to meet a maximum of requirements with a minimum of frequencies.

"We have however a great obstacle to overcome before we can accomplish our work : the requirements still outweigh - and by far - the spectrum space available for broadcasting after the exigencies of other equally indispensable services have been met. It is therefore impossible to give full satisfaction to all the countries and it is necessary for everyone to make sacrifices. It is for you to endeavour to distribute in a just and equitable manner the onus of these sacrifices. The second International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference is the outcome of all the efforts made to solve this difficult and ticklish problem, efforts which were first made in Geneva in May 1948 where the first limited Committee of experts met after having been entrusted by the Atlantic City Conference with the task of preparing a draft plan to be submitted to the Mexico Conference. The work went on in the same city and, for five months, gave rise to lively discussions, the outcome of which was to make the problem clearer and to achieve as a first result the International Agreement on High Frequency Broadcasting and the Plan for the Distribution of Frequencies for the month of June 70. This Plan was used as a guide by the Technical Plan Committee in Paris which, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Meyer - whose absence we regret - had to prepare the six draft phases of the plan; these drafts have been coordinated here in Florence at the Committee's second session, and it is for you now to consider them and make any modifications you feel necessary.

"No layman could fully appreciate the value of the work which has been done in this field. Only those who realize what short-wave transmitters are, and what they will be in the near future, in all countries of the world, only those who know to what extent the number of requirements originally submitted in Atlantic City exceeded the available spectrum space, can appreciate the amount of time, patience and zeal required to prepare a single draft phase of the plan - even with the help of the most modern, rapid and infallible methods of calculation. They alone are able to understand why it took over two years not to reach our goal but to draw nearer to it, and how hard, how meritorious, were the efforts of all those who dedicated themselves, body and soul, for so long a time, to the accomplishment of this task.

"The last and most important lap still has to be covered. And it must be covered if short-wave broadcasting is to achieve the ends which the very laws of nature seem to have intended it to achieve, if the expectations of millions of listeners scattered all over the world are not to be disappointed, and if an end is to be put to the chaos which has too long existed in the ether, to the great disadvantage of everyone, whilst precious technical resources and even more precious economic resources were being wasted.

"If we are to succeed it is no use deceiving ourselves : we shall have to appeal, once more, to the good will of all the countries represented here in Florence to make further sacrifices. These will, perhaps, give rise to discussions



which should take place in a spirit of friendly collaboration, and the purpose of which will be to put the finishing touches to the draft plans submitted for your consideration so that they may become final, just and equitable plans - plans that we hope will meet with the unanimous approval of the Conference.

"Gentlemen,

"The Italian Government wishes most sincerely that you may find in this town, whose famous monuments belong to world civilisation rather than to Italy alone, and subsequently on the lovely Italian Riviera, the peace of mind which is undoubtedly essential to the successful achievement of your work. May the memory of the success of this conference be associated in your minds for many years with the memory of Italy ! The most ardent hope of our Government is that this Conference may achieve more substantial results than mere technical rules - something more than that which is written down in agreements, protocols and plans, something which may remain engraved in the minds of peoples and in the conscience of governments : spontaneous and unwritten regulations for broadcasting on a moral basis whereby all the nations of the world, without exception, would pledge themselves to use this marvellous instrument only in the interests of civilisation and world peace.

"Having expressed this sincere wish, Gentlemen, on behalf of the Italian Government I declare open the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference."

Professor Yloestalo, Doyen of the Conference, then replied in the following terms :

"I feel it a great honour to speak in reply to the welcome which the Minister of Posts and Telecommunications of Italy has so kindly extended to us.

"We all appreciate his sincerity and cordiality, and in thanking him I feel that I shall be expressing the no less cordial and sincere feelings of all the delegates here at this second International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference.

"I should like, first of all, to say how pleased we all are to be in Italy, the home of Marconi, and in Florence, the town of Galileo, that true founder of modern experimental science. In this magnificent city, this cradle of the Renaissance, every monument evokes the glorious history not only of Italy but of all Humanity. At every turn we are brought face to face with some priceless treasure of art or architecture. The magnificent palaces that the Italian Government has so thoughtfully and so kindly put at the disposal of the Conference will inspire in us by their elegance and their serene beauty that tranquillity and mental discipline which are the sine qua non of methodical work and a successful outcome to our deliberations.

"Our task here in Florence will be arduous : it has no precedent in the history of telecommunication. At its first session in Mexico City, the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference prepared a basic plan for the use and distribution of high frequency broadcasting frequencies among all the countries of the world. Then the Technical Plan Committee, created by the

Mexico City Agreement, carried on in Paris the work begun in Mexico City. Following the terms of reference that had been given it, and starting from the basic plan of Mexico City, it prepared the six plans necessary for the other propagation periods for radio waves reserved for high frequency broadcasting. The Committee has also been studying the problem here in Florence for a month. During its sessions in Paris and Florence, the Technical Plan Committee was ever inspired, in the accomplishment of its work, by a true spirit of international cooperation, trying always to reach the most equitable solutions possible. Perhaps the results it has achieved are not perfect; like everything human they are open to criticism. The task of the second International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference which is opening in Florence today will be to make all the corrections and improvements in these plans which seem necessary to render them acceptable to all countries.

"We should not, however, allow ourselves to be discouraged by the difficulties and complexities of the problem. We are all aware that it must be solved and that collaboration is indispensable in the domain of telecommunication. Obstacles were made to be overcome. Let each of us, then, put forward the requirements and stand up for the interests of his own country, but let us also respect the rights and interests of our neighbours, and we shall succeed, I feel sure, in reaching a solution which, though it may not be ideal, will, in practice, restore the order that is so indispensable in the domain of high frequency broadcasting. In aiming at this goal, we are all inspired by the same noble desire. We are starting our task in the hope that the Florence Conference will be a turning-point in the history of high frequency broadcasting and that through it the use of the radio waves will be based on rational and solid foundations for the greater benefit of civilisation and peace."

After the speech by Professor Yloestalo, Mr. Mario Fabiani, Mayor of Florence, expressed the great pleasure it gave him to welcome to his city the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, composed as it was of eminent statesmen and scientists from all corners of the world. In assuring a fair distribution of broadcasting frequencies, the Conference would bring about the world-wide dissemination of ideas and music - the heritage of all men - for the greater good of humanity.

Following these words, Professor Yloestalo, as Doyen of the Conference, proposed that the Assembly should elect Mr. Spataro, Minister of Posts and Telecommunications, Honorary Chairman of the Conference, and Mr. Giuseppe di Guglielmo, Director General of Telecommunications, and Mr. Albino Antinori, Inspector General of Telecommunications, Honorary Vice-Chairmen. The Assembly carried the motion by acclamation.

Mr. G. Vallauri, Professor of the University and Member of the Italian Academy, was elected Chairman of the Conference, and Mr. G. Gneme and Lt. Gen. Luigi Sacco, Vice-Chairmen, by acclamation.

Following these appointments, Mr. G. Vallauri addressed these words to the Assembly as Chairman of the Conference :

"Gentlemen,

I am very touched by the honour which you have done me. I shall do everything I can to help you in your work, and in order not to take up your time I will suggest straight away that the first meeting of the Plenary Assembly should be fixed for Tuesday, the 4th April, and that the preliminary meeting of the Heads of Delegations should be held on Monday, the 3rd April."

These suggestions were adopted unanimously.

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The meeting rose at 11.30 a.m.

Rapporteur :  
M. Minutti

Secretary :  
J. Millot

Seen,  
The Chairman,  
G. Vallauri

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Corrigendum No. 1

M I N U T E S

of the

MEETING OF HEADS OF DELEGATIONS

Monday, 3 April 1950

Amendments requested by the Delegation of China:

- a) page 5, para. 1.18, 5th line, add "so-called" between "the" and "Central".
- b) Same paragraph, replace the last four lines by the following:

"If it was intended, as other Heads of Delegations had suggested, to submit the question to the Plenary Assembly, the speaker considered that the telegram communicated by the Secretary General of the I.T.U. to the Assembly could not be discussed. The statements made by the Soviet Delegation and others that shared its views should simply be rejected."



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M I N U T E S  
of the  
MEETING OF THE HEADS OF DELEGATIONS

Monday, 3 April 1950

Palazzo Vecchio

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED

1. List of participants in the Conference - Publication of telegrams received from Peking and Brussels.
2. Proposal on the composition of the Conference Secretariat.
3. Use of working languages other than French, English and Spanish.
4. Plan of the composition and terms of reference of the various committees to be set up by the Conference.
5. Countries proposed for the Chairmanship and Vice-Chairmanship of the various committees.
6. Calendar and time-table of the Conference.
7. Rules of procedure of the Conference.
8. Publication of a letter from the Director of the C.C.I.R. to the Chairman of the Conference, etc.
9. Agenda of the first plenary meeting.



CHAIRMAN : Mr. G. Vallauri  
VICE-CHAIRMAN : Mr. G. Gnome  
Lt. General L. Sacco  
SECRETARY : Mr. J. Millot

Heads of Delegations of the following countries were present :

People's Republic of Albania - Commonwealth of Australia - Austria -  
Burma - Bolivia - People's Republic of Bulgaria - Canada - Ceylon -  
China - State of Vatican City - Republic of Colombia - Portuguese Colonies  
Colonies, Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or  
trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland -  
Costa Rica - Denmark - Dominican Republic - Egypt - United States of  
America - Finland - France - Guatemala - Republic of Honduras -  
Hungarian People's Republic - India - Indonesia - Iceland - State of  
Israel - Italy - Japan - Lebanon - Luxembourg - Mexico - Monaco -  
Nicaragua - Norway - New Zealand - Netherlands, Surinam, Netherlands  
Antillas and New Guinea - Republic of Poland - Portugal - Morocco and  
Tunisia - Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia - Southern Rhodesia -  
Roumanian People's Republic - United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern  
Ireland - Sweden - Switzerland - Syria - Territories of the United  
States of America - Czechoslovakia - Oversea Territories of the French  
Republic and Territories administered as such - Union of Soviet Socialist  
Republics - Oriental Republic of Uruguay - United States of Venezuela.

Observers :

United Nations  
I.F.R.E.

International Telecommunication Union.

The Chairman repeated the welcome he had extended to delegates at the opening meeting on 1 April, saying that he would speak on the subject once more at the first meeting of the Plenary Assembly on 4 April.

He then suggested to the Assembly that the day's debates should be based on the yellow document that the Secretariat had just distributed to the heads of delegations present.

1. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONFERENCE

- 1.1 At the Chairman's request, Mr. Millot read the list on pages 2 and 3 of the yellow document. He announced that, according to last minute information, Guatemala and the Mongolian People's Republic should be added to the list.
- 1.2 The Head of the Hungarian Delegation requested that the name of his country in the list should be amended to read "Hungarian People's Republic".
- 1.3 The Head of the Delegation of India thanked the Chairman for his warm words of welcome and announced that the Administration of Burma had asked to be represented by the Delegation of India.
- 1.4 The Head of the United Kingdom Delegation informed the meeting that Southern Rhodesia would be taking part in the Conference.
- 1.5 The Head of the Netherlands Delegation requested that the line referring to his country should be amended to read "Netherlands, Surinam, Netherlands Antillas and New Guinea".
- 1.6 The Head of the Indonesian Delegation said that his country should be entitled "Republic of the United States of Indonesia".
- 1.7 The Head of the Bulgarian Delegation requested that the English text be amended to read "People's Republic of Bulgaria".
- 1.8 The Head of the U.S.S.R. Delegation said that he would shortly supply the Secretariat with some further information on the representation of the Bielorussian S.S.R. and the Ukrainian S.S.R.
- 1.9 Mr. Quijano (Colombia) said that he would be taking Mr. Arboleda's place at the head of the Delegation of Colombia until he arrived in Florence.  
  
He pointed out that the I.F.R.B. and the C.C.I.R., which appeared in the list as International Organisations, should be shown as Organs of the I.T.U.
- 1.10 The Head of the Roumanian Delegation said that the official title of his country was "Roumanian People's Republic", and requested the Secretariat to amend the list accordingly.

1.11 The Head of the Chinese Delegation asked in what capacity the Mongolian People's Republic would participate in the Conference. Mr. Millet (Secretary of the Conference) replied that it had taken part in the Mexico City Conference as an observer; as it was not a member of the I.T.U., it would take part in the present conference in the same capacity.

1.12 The Head of the Polish Delegation said that the name of his country in the English text should be amended to read "Republic of Poland".

1.13 Mr. Mulatier (Secretary General of the I.T.U.) read the following telegram, addressed to the Secretariat of the I.T.U. in Geneva by the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China :

"The Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China is the only legal government representing the Chinese people Stop The so-called "delegates" of the Chinese Kuomintang remnant reactionary clique no longer have the qualification of participating in the International Telecommunication Union Stop In the name of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China I now want to inform you formally that it has appointed Li Chiang Director of the Telecommunication Union Stop In the name of the Central People's Government of China I now want to inform you formally that it has appointed Li Chiang, Director of the Telecommunication Bureau of the Ministry of Post and Telegraph, as Chief Delegate to the International Telecommunication Union Stop The Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China would regard it as a most unfriendly act toward the Chinese People if the so-called "delegates" of the Chinese Kuomintang would still be allowed to attend the International Broadcasting Conference to be held in Italy on April first" Stop

In reply to a question, Mr. Mulatier added that the General Secretariat had simply sent a copy of the above telegram to the Chairman of the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference and drawn the communication from the Pekin Government to the attention of all the Members of the Union in a notification.

1.14 The Head of the U.S.S.R. Delegation made the following statement:

"In the name of the Soviet Delegation, I must say that the Soviet Delegation considers that the representatives of the Kuomintang group should be excluded from the Conference, as they do not represent China. The Soviet Delegation proposed that the Conference should decide to recognize the representative of the People's Republic of China as the sole legitimate representative of China.

"I must point out that if this is not done the Delegation of the U.S.S.R. will withdraw from the Conference, and the Soviet Union will not recognize the validity of decisions reached by the Conference without its participation".



- 1.15 The Heads of the Delegations of Czechoslovakia, Roumania, Poland, Albania and Hungary entirely supported the statement made by the Head of the Soviet Delegation. They held the view that the Kuomintang represented only private individuals; for that reason the Pekin Government alone was competent to appoint representatives of China. In the circumstances it was essential for the Conference to decide immediately to exclude the Kuomintang representative and to invite the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China to take part in the Conference. They wished to make it clear that if this were not done they would regretfully have to leave the Conference, and as a result their administrations would have to regard as invalid any decisions reached by the Conference in their absence. The Head of the Bulgarian Delegation also supported the Soviet proposal and suggested that the meeting be suspended for a few minutes and resumed as a plenary meeting. This suggestion was supported by the Head of the Soviet Delegation.
- 1.16 The Heads of the Delegations of India, the State of Vatican City, the Netherlands, Indonesia, Colombia, the United States of America and France considered that the meeting was not competent to make any pronouncement on the matter, which should be referred to the Plenary Assembly that was to meet the following day.
- 1.17 At the Chairman's request, Mr. Mulatier (Secretary General of the I.T.U.) explained that the present meeting was merely intended to allow the Heads of Delegations to acquaint themselves with the Chairman's suggestions as to how the work of the Conference could be organised. In fact, at many conferences the meeting of the heads of delegations actually preceded the opening meeting. The meeting could therefore easily be postponed and all questions considered in Plenary Assembly.
- 1.18 The Head of the Chinese Delegation wished to stress that contrary to statements made by certain delegations claiming to represent the voice of the Chinese people, the Government he represented had been elected by the Chinese people in accordance with a freely accepted constitution and was therefore the only legal government of China. The Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China, on the other hand, had been imposed on the people by force of arms and against their will. The statements made by the Soviet and other delegations were simply intended as propaganda and were contrary to any spirit of international cooperation. The speaker proposed, as other Heads of Delegations had suggested, to submit the question to the Plenary Assembly and simply to reject the statements made by the Soviet Delegation and others that shared its views.
- 1.19 The Head of the U.S.S.R. Delegation proposed that, if they decided to postpone the question until the following day, the meeting of the Heads of Delegations should be adjourned. The Soviet Delegation could not, in fact, participate in any discussion as long as a representative of the Kuomintang was present. Otherwise the Soviet Delegation would be obliged to leave the meeting.

- 1.20 The proposal of the Head of the United States Delegation to pass on to the consideration of other questions on the agenda was seconded by the Head of the United Kingdom Delegation, who considered that it was essential to decide upon the agenda for the next day's meeting; otherwise the first Plenary Assembly would be able to discuss only one question, that of the representation of China.
- 1.21 The Heads of the Delegations from the People's Republic of Albania, the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Roumanian People's Republic considered that the meeting should be adjourned since the recommendations adopted that day might affect the decisions of the Plenary Assembly.
- 1.22 The Head of the Delegation of Israel suggested that a meeting of the Plenary Assembly should be called that afternoon.
- 1.23 The Chairman stated that it was impossible to call a Plenary Assembly before the appointed date and time and proposed that the Assembly should vote on whether or not the question of China's participation should be deferred until the following day, and, further, that it should decide, also by a vote, whether or not the present meeting should be adjourned.
- 1.24 The Head of the Czechoslovak Delegation requested that China be the first item on the agenda of the first meeting of the Plenary Assembly.
- 1.25 The Head of the Mexican Delegation considered that the first item on the agenda of the next day's meeting should be the adoption of Rules of Procedure, since, without them, the meeting of the Assembly could not be in order.
- 1.26 The Head of the Albanian Delegation thought that there was no point in asking the Plenary Assembly to vote on whether the Chinese question should be deferred until the following day, since no delegation had objected to such a course of action. In answer to the remark by the Head of the Mexican Delegation, the speaker pointed out that the Plenary Assembly could very well abide by the General Regulations annexed to the Atlantic City Convention.
- 1.27 A discussion ensued between the heads of the Delegations from the People's Republic of Albania, India, the Hungarian People's Republic, Ceylon, New Zealand, the Roumanian People's Republic, Colombia, as well as Mr. Gnome (Vice-Chairman) and the Chairman. The Assembly then decided by 27 votes to 8 with 6 abstentions to continue the meeting of the Heads of Delegations, on the understanding that the question of China's representation at the Conference was referred to the first Plenary Assembly.
- 1.28 After the vote, the Heads of the Delegations of the U.S.S.R., Czechoslovakia and the Republic of Poland stated that they were compelled to leave the meeting for the reasons they had given previously.

1.29 The Delegations of the People's Republic of Albania, the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Hungarian People's Republic also left the meeting.

1.30 Mr. Millot read out the following telegram from the Belgian Administration to the Secretary of the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference :

"As result of misunderstanding Embassy Italy were convinced Conference would begin Rapallo 29 April Stop Learn ITU inauguration fixed Florence 1 April Stop Impossible for Belgian Delegation to arrive Florence before 5 or 6 April Stop Therefore request first Definite confirmation date 1 April and place Florence Stop second Present apologies of Belgian Delegation to Chairman of Conference Stop third Enter Belgium for all committees if necessary before arrival Stop Stress urgency of reply to point one Stop Sincere thanks = Henderickx Engineer INR 18 Place Flagey Brussels"

1.31 The Assembly took note of this telegram.

## 2. PROPOSAL ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT

2.1 The Chairman informed the Heads of Delegations that the Secretary General of the International Telecommunication Union had appointed Mr. Jean Millot to carry out the duties of Secretary of the Conference. Mr. Millot would be assisted by Mr. Jean Revoy, Assistant Secretary, and by Mr. Alfred Gander, Accountant and Treasurer. The reports of meetings of the Plenary Assembly would be prepared by Mr. Max Minutti and Mr. Georges Tripet.

The proposal was unanimously adopted.

## 3. USE OF WORKING LANGUAGES OTHER THAN FRENCH, ENGLISH AND SPANISH

As there were no delegations directly concerned, the Meeting decided to refer the question to the Plenary Assembly to be held the following day.

## 4. PLAN OF THE COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES TO BE SET UP BY THE CONFERENCE

4.1 The Head of the Indian and United Kingdom Delegations, supported by the Heads of the Delegations of the United States and the Netherlands considered that a Technical Committee and a Requirements Committee should be set up in addition to those provided for in the yellow document. This would relieve the pressure on the Phases of the Plan Committee and allow several problems to be dealt with at once.

4.2 General Sacco (Vice-Chairman) and the Heads of the Delegations of Denmark, the Vatican City, Portugal, France and Switzerland thought it would be better to invite the Phases of the Plan Committee to set up "technical" and "requirements" working groups; such a solution would have the advantage of avoiding

a Plenary Assembly whenever the groups had to consult with one another or with their Committee.

The meeting recessed from 13.30 to 16.10.

- 4.3 The Chairman summed up the morning's discussion and requested the Heads of Delegations to submit written texts of their proposed amendments to the composition and terms of reference of the Committees.
- 4.4 The Head of the Indian Delegation was afraid that he had not enough time before the Plenary Meeting to submit his proposals as a document, and he therefore asked for permission to submit them verbally.
- 4.5 Mr. Gnome (Vice-Chairman) personally considered that it would be inconvenient for delegations to submit their proposed amendments in the form of official documents, but he felt they would have no difficulty in handing them to the Chairman as typewritten notes.
- 4.6 It was so decided.
- It was also agreed that the whole question of the composition and terms of reference of the various Committees would be taken up in the Plenary Meeting.
- 4.7 The Head of the United Kingdom Delegation stated that, in Plenary Assembly he would suggest amendments to the terms of reference of the Phases of the Plan Committee as given in the yellow document, and would prepare a text.
5. COUNTRIES PROPOSED FOR THE CHAIRMANSHIP AND VICE-CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES
- 5.1 The solution of this problem was contingent upon the decision reached regarding Item 4, and it was decided that it would likewise be discussed in the Plenary Meeting.

## 6. CALENDAR AND TIME-TABLE OF THE CONFERENCE

- 6.1 After a discussion between the Heads of the Delegations of Colombia, Italy, the Netherlands, Portugal, the United Kingdom, Switzerland, the Chairman and Mr. Gneme (Vice-Chairman), the Head of the French Delegation proposed, and the Meeting decided by 16 votes to 1, with 13 abstentions, to propose to the Plenary Assembly that the afternoon of Friday, 7 April, Saturday 8, Sunday 9 and Monday 10 April should be holidays.
- 6.2 It was also decided to submit to the Plenary Assembly the time-table for the work of the Conference outlined in the yellow document but pointing out that the 15 minutes breaks would be taken insofar as the proceedings allowed, and that the Conference and its Committees would not work on Saturday afternoons.

## 7. RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE CONFERENCE

- 7.1 The Chairman suggested that the Conference should be recommended to apply the Rules of Procedure of the Mexico City Conference.
- 7.2 The Head of the Delegation of Portugal reminded the meeting that, towards the end, the Mexico City Conference had adopted a certain number of provisions speeding up the proceedings and he proposed that they should be applied from the very outset of the present Conference.
- 7.3 Mr. Gneme (Vice-Chairman) answered that the Rules of Procedure reproduced in the yellow document were those that had been published at Mexico City as Document No. 615, dated 7 February 1949. Since that date, no other changes had been made to the Rules of Procedure.
- 7.4 The Head of the Delegation of India pointed out that, towards the close of the Mexico City Conference, it had been decided that there should be no voting by secret ballot in committees.
- 7.5 He also wondered whether the present Conference should be regarded as a continuation of the Mexico City Conference. The way that question was settled would considerably affect the question of voting by proxy.
- 7.6 Mr. Gneme (Vice-Chairman) replied that voting by secret ballot could not take place in committees. That point was covered in Article 14, para. 2 of the Rules of Procedure, which read as follows :

"Proposals or amendments presented in committee, or referred to committee by the Chair of the Conference, shall be subject, for purposes of discussion or voting, to the provision in Article 16, with the exception of paragraphs 9 and 13, in regard to proposals or amendments presented to the Plenary Assembly."

7.7 Paragraphs 9 and 13 referred to in that article were worded as follows :

"9. In order that a valid vote may be taken at a session of the Plenary Assembly, at least one half of the delegations accredited to the Conference and having the right to vote must be present or represented at the session at which the vote is taken."

"13. If five or more delegations present and entitled to vote request, when a vote is about to be taken, that it shall be taken by secret ballot, this shall be done, and the necessary steps shall be taken to guarantee secrecy."

7.8 On the other hand, the Administrative Council had adapted the same procedure for voting by proxy as that followed in Mexico City, namely, that one delegation was not permitted to represent two countries, but a member of a delegation could personally represent another delegation, provided he was in possession of a proxy.

7.9 The Head of the Delegation of the United Kingdom noted that the agenda did not contain any item referring to the status of the Conference. It had been decided in Mexico City that the Florence Conference should be completely independent. On the other hand, the Administrative Council always referred to it as the Second High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, in spite of the fact that there had already been two, one at Atlantic City and the other in Mexico.

7.10 The Head of the Delegation of Mexico insisted on the Rules of Procedure being examined by the meeting. If it were to be admitted that the Florence Conference was a continuation of the Mexico City Conference, there would be no need to approve the Rules of Procedure; it would be sufficient to incorporate a few very useful provisions that had been adopted in Mexico, but not inserted in the Rules of Procedure because they had been regarded as provisional.

7.11 Mr. Mulatier (Secretary General of the I.T.U.) read the following resolution (No. 157) that had been adopted by the Administrative Council at its last session :

"The Administrative Council, referring to the Resolution of the Mexico City Conference, after studying the Report of the Technical Plan Committee, after hearing the statement by the Chairman of the Technical Plan Committee and in the light of the discussion which followed within the Council;

considering

1. that the Mexico City Conference, in its Resolution No. 2 annexed to the report of the Secretary General on that Conference, requested the Council to suggest the date of the meeting of a second High Frequency Broadcasting Conference .....

resolves to request the Italian Administration to take the necessary steps to convene for 1 April 1950 in Florence the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference mentioned in Consideration 1 above ..."

- 7.12 That was a formal decision, not subject to interpretation, clearly showing that the Florence Conference was not a second session of the Mexico Conference, but quite definitely a second conference.
- 7.13 In reply to the Head of the Delegation of the United Kingdom, Mr. Mulatier said it was true that three conferences had already worked on the problem, but the Atlantic City Conference had not taken any definite decision and, consequently, had been considered as a preparatory conference.
- 7.14 The Head of the Delegation of India thought there must be some misunderstanding as, in another resolution of the Administrative Council, No. 166, it was stated ".... that the Technical Plan Committee derived its directives from the First Session of the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference in Mexico...."
- 7.15 Mr. Mulatier (Secretary General of the I.T.U.), admitted that there might, in fact, be some misunderstanding, but Resolution No. 157 was nevertheless a basic document and defined the nature of the Florence Conference.
- 7.16 Mr. Gneme (Vice-Chairman), agreed with this point of view.
- 7.17 The Head of the Mexican Delegation said that the Mexico Conference had decided to hold a second session, but the Florence meeting need not necessarily be considered as the continuation of the Mexico Conference. In his opinion, the present Conference had the power to determine its status in its own right.
- 7.18 Mr. Gneme (Vice-Chairman) in order to clarify the discussion, read the following decision of the Administrative Council (Resolution No. 83) :
- "D.(d) a Conference has no power to arrange for future sessions of the same conference after the termination of the original session, or for further conferences, except by the procedure prescribed in Article 11 of the Atlantic City Convention 1947 for convening Administrative Conferences;"
- The provisions of Article 11 were as follows :
- "(1) An extraordinary administrative conference may be convened :
- a) by a decision of the Plenipotentiary Conference which shall determine its agenda and the time and place of its meeting;
  - b) when at least twenty Members of the Union have made known to the Administrative Council their desire that such a Conference shall be held to consider an agenda proposed by them;

- (2) In the cases specified in b) and c) of sub-paragraph (1) above, the Administrative Council, with the concurrence of a majority of the Members of the Union, shall determine the time and the place of the Conference as well as its agenda."

7.19 The Chairman proposed that the Plenary Assembly should apply the Rules of Procedure contained in the yellow document, on the understanding that the delegations were entitled to suggest any modifications or additions.

7.20 This proposal was adopted.

8. MISCELLANEOUS : PUBLICATION OF A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE C.C.I.R. TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CONFERENCE. etc.

8.1 Mr. Millot (Secretary of the Conference) read a letter dated 25 March from Dr. Balth. van der Pol, Director of the C.C.I.R., to the Chairman of the Conference. This letter appears on page 16 of the yellow document.

8.2 It was decided that this letter would be referred to the appropriate Committee when this had been nominated by the Assembly.

8.3 Mr. Mulatier (Secretary General of the I.T.U.) apologised for having to raise a financial question under the heading "Miscellaneous".

8.4 As the Administrative Council had observed that expenditure for the Mexico Conference had been extremely heavy, the Secretary General considered it necessary to reduce expenditure as much as possible, but the budget prepared for the present Conference erred, perhaps, on the side of economy.

8.5 The Budget of the second High Frequency Broadcasting Conference amounted to Sw. frs 1,243.000.- for expenditure, of which Sw. frs. 840,000.- was for personnel. These amounts were comparatively small in relation to the expenditure of other meetings and the duration of the Conference.

8.6 The salaries provided for interpreters and translators were far lower than those hitherto paid by the I.T.U. or those at present paid by other specialised agencies of the United Nations. The Secretary General cited as an example the daily remuneration of tri-lingual interpreters, which had been reduced from Sw. frs. 130 to Sw. frs. 95, including per diem allowance, while UNESCO offered to the same category of interpreters Sw. frs. 160 for their Conference, also to be held in Florence.

8.7 Some excellent interpreters had refused contracts offered to them on these terms, but others had relied upon the Secretary General of the Conference to do his utmost to induce the Conference to raise their salaries, not, certainly, to the level of those paid by WHO or UNESCO, but at least to a level approaching that hitherto adopted for Conferences of the Union.



- 8.8 The extra expenditure involved in this readjustment of salaries would amount approximately to Sw. frs. 100,000, but the Secretariat would endeavour to economise with regard to other items of the budget, so that it could be hoped that the total of Sw. frs. 1,243,000 would be only slightly exceeded.

The reductions made in the salaries of interpreters and translators had naturally caused similar reductions to be made in the case of other categories of personnel, and it was only fair that these latter should benefit in the same proportion by any readjustment made in the salaries of interpreters and translators.

- 8.9 Moreover, the budget only provided a sum of Sw. frs. 3,000.- for the travelling expenses of personnel, comprising 108 employees. This amount was grossly insufficient and would also have to be increased.

- 8.10 Mr. Mulatier asked permission from the Heads of Delegations to submit this question to the Plenary Assembly and subsequently, to the Budget Committee. If this proposal were acted upon, the personnel would be more content with its lot and might be expected to produce even better results.

- 8.11 As there were no comments, the Chairman announced that this question would be included as item No. 9 in the agenda of the Plenary Assembly.

9. AGENDA OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY

- 9.1 The Head of the Delegation of the United Kingdom proposed that the question of the status of the Conference should appear as the first item on the agenda and that another item, "Closing Date of the Conference" should be added. He drew the attention of the meeting to Resolution No. 157 adopted by the Administrative Council at its fourth session, in which it was stated that the plan drawn up by the present conference was to be sent to the Secretary General of the I.T.U. by 1 August.

- 9.2 Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U. said that the Conference would have to finish work by 15 July at the latest, because experience had shown that at least 15 days were needed before everything was printed and in order. If it were absolutely necessary, Plenary meetings might, perhaps, be held on the 18 or 20 July, but even this would be rather late.

The Secretary General hoped that the Plenary Assembly and its Committees would make every effort to shorten the debates whenever possible, and it would be desirable for the minutes to be extremely brief, giving principally a record of the decisions reached. In view of all that had already been said and written in Mexico and the Conference of the Technical Plan Committee, it should be possible to produce reports of only one or two pages. Any statements that delegates wished to appear in extenso in the minutes should be handed in to the Secretariat immediately after each meeting.

- 9.4 The Head of the Delegation of Ceylon thought that the items to be discussed should be arranged in order of priority, while the Head of the Delegation of Bolivia considered that the agenda submitted by the Chairman should only be modified in very special cases.
- 9.5 The Head of the Delegation of China recalled that at the morning meeting he had proposed that the telegram sent by the Central Government of the People's Republic of China should be ignored. He wished to make strict reservations in the name of his country should this request not be complied with.
- 9.6 At the suggestion of the Head of the Delegation of the United States, the Chairman announced that the Secretariat would draw up a list of Members of the Union giving their status and voting rights.
- 9.7 It was decided that the agenda contained in the yellow document would be proposed to the Plenary Assembly and that the question of the "Status" and "Closing Date" of the Conference would be added under item 4.

The meeting rose at 5.45 p.m.

Rapporteurs :

M. Minutti

G. Tripet

Secretary :

J. Millot

Chairman :

G. VALLAURI

M I N U T E S

of the

First Meeting of the Plenary Assembly

Tuesday, 4 April 1950, at 10 a.m.

Palazzo Vecchio

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED :

1. List of participants in the Conference - Publication of telegrams received from Peking and Brussels (Documents 8, 9 and 10).

Chairman : Professor Vallauri  
Vice-Chairmen : M. G. Gnome  
Lt-General L. Sacco  
Secretary : M. J. Millot



Delegations present at the opening of the meeting :

People's Republic of Albania; Australia (Commonwealth); Austria; Burma; Bolivia; People's Republic of Bulgaria; Canada; Ceylon; China; State of Vatican City; Republic of Colombia; Portuguese Colonies; Colonies, Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Oversea Territories of the French Republic and Territories administered as such; Costa Rica; Denmark; Dominican Republic; Egypt; United States of America; Finland; France; Guatemala; Republic of Honduras; Hungarian People's Republic; India; Republic of the United States of Indonesia; Iceland; State of Israel; Italy; Japan; Lebanon; Luxembourg; Mexico; Monaco; Nicaragua; Norway; New Zealand; Netherlands; Republic of Poland; Portugal; French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia; Federal People's Republic of

Yugoslavia; Southern Rhodesia; Roumanian People's Republic; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Sweden; Swiss Confederation; Syria; Czechoslovakia; Territories of the United States of America; Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Oriental Republic of Uruguay; United States of Venezuela.

Also present were representatives of the following international organisations :

United Nations; International Telecommunication Union; International Frequency Registration Board (I.F.R.B.).

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The Chairman opened the meeting at 10.15 a.m. and made the following speech :

"Gentlemen,

I am deeply moved by the honour you have done me and the mark of confidence you have shown in making me Chairman of this international conference, and on behalf of my colleagues, Mr. Gnema and Mr. Sacco, whose names are linked with mine in this office, I should like to express our sincere thanks and assure you that we feel this is a tribute paid to our country rather than ourselves.

We fully realise the difficulties of our task, but we hope that we may count unreservedly on your help. In fact, we need not only your great abilities but also, and more especially, your spirit of cooperation to fulfil our duties and so guide the Conference that it may reach its goal, the preparation of the phases of the Plan which, in the years to come, have to provide for the operation of high frequency broadcasting services throughout the world.

This really very important task also involves serious difficulties because the channel hours available are much fewer than the requirements submitted by the various administrations. We must therefore be ready to accept sacrifices and, above all, to be guided by a really friendly spirit of understanding.

Our good will and all our efforts, combined, as is our duty, with the most complete impartiality will go into this task, in the sincere hope that, thanks to your loyal and helpful cooperation, the final acts of the Florence-Rapallo Conference may in the end be concluded and signed by all the delegations taking part.

I am sure that this is the wish of every one of you, and so, Gentlemen, let us start work."

1. List of Participants in the Conference -  
Publication of Telegrams received from Pekin and Brussels (Documents 8, 9 and 10).

- 1.1 At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Millot (Secretary of the Conference), read the amended list of Member Countries of the Union permitted to participate in the Conference :

Afghanistan; People's Republic of Albania; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; Argentine Republic; Australia (Commonwealth); Austria; Belgium; Bielorussian Soviet Socialist Republic; Burma; Bolivia; Brazil; People's Republic of Bulgaria; Canada; Ceylon; Chile; China; State of Vatican City; Republic of Colombia; Portuguese Colonies; Colonies, Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Oversea Territories of the French Republic and Territories administered as such; Belgian Congo and territories of Ruanda-Urundi; Costa Rica; Cuba; Denmark; Dominican Republic; Egypt; El Salvador; Ecuador; United States of America; Ethiopia; Finland; France; Greece; Guatemala; Haiti; Republic of Honduras; Hungarian People's Republic; India; Republic of the United States of Indonesia; Iran; Irak; Ireland; Iceland; State of Israel; Italy; Japan; Hashimite Kingdom of Jordan; Lebanon; Liberia; Luxembourg; Mexico; Monaco; Nicaragua; Norway; New Zealand; Pakistan; Panama; Paraguay; Netherlands; Surinam, Netherlands Antilles and New Guinea; Peru; Republic of the Philippines; Republic of Poland; Portugal; French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia; Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia; Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic; Southern Rhodesia; Roumanian People's Republic; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Sweden; Swiss Confederation; Syria; Czechoslovakia; Territories of the United States of America; Thailand; Turkey; Union of South Africa and Territory of South-West Africa; Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Oriental Republic of Uruguay; United States of Venezuela; Yemen.

Mr. Millot added that the following international organisations had announced their participation in the Conference :

United Nations; International Telecommunication Union; International Frequency Registration Board (I.F.R.B.); International Radio Consultative Committee (C.C.I.R.).

Lastly, he stated that the People's Republic of Outer Mongolia had announced that representatives were being sent.

Mr. Millot then read the telegrams received from Pekin and Brussels :

Telegram from Pekin to the General Secretariat of the I.T.U. in Geneva, dated 29 March 1950 :

"The Central People's Government of The People's Republic of China is the only legal Government representing the Chinese people. The so-called "Delegates" of the Chinese Kuomintang remnant reactionary clique no

longer have the qualification of participating in the International Telecommunication Union. In the name of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China I now want to inform you formally that it has appointed Li Chiang, Director of Telecommunication Bureau of the Ministry of Post and Telegraph as Chief Delegate to the International Telecommunication Union. Please note this fact and transmit it to the countries concerned and the Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union. The Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China would regard it as a most unfriendly act toward the Chinese People if the so-called "Delegates" of the Chinese Kuomintang would still be allowed to attend the International Broadcasting Conference to be held in Italy on April first = Chou Enlai Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China."

Telegram from Brussels to the Secretary of the Conference :

"As result of misunderstanding Embassy Italy were convinced Conference would begin Rapallo 29 April. Learn I.T.U. inauguration fixed Florence 1 April. Impossible for Belgian Delegation to arrive Florence before 5 or 6 April. Therefore request first definite confirmation date 1 April and place Florence. Second Present apologies of Belgian Delegation to Chairman of Conference. Third Enter Belgium for all committees if necessary before arrival. Stress urgency of reply to point one. Sincere thanks = Henderickx Engineer INR 18 place Flagey Brussels."

1.2 The Chairman then opened the discussion.

1.3 The Head of the Soviet Delegation read the statement he had made on the previous day at the meeting of the Heads of Delegations :

"In the name of the Soviet Delegation, I must say that the Soviet Delegation considers that the representatives of the Kuomintang group should be excluded from the Conference, as they do not represent China. The Soviet Delegation proposes that the Conference should decide to recognize the representative of the People's Republic of China as the sole legitimate representative of China.

"I must point out that if this is not done the Delegation of the U.S.S.R. will withdraw from the Conference, and the Soviet Union will not recognize the validity of decisions reached by the Conference without its participation."

The Soviet Delegation considered that further discussion of this question would be useless as the issue was quite clear, but nevertheless, it wished to point out that in the absence of the true representatives of China, the work of the Conference would be devoid of all practical value.

Therefore, it submitted the following draft resolution with the request that the Conference should pronounce upon it at once :

"The Conference resolves to recognize the representative of the People's Republic of China as sole legitimate representative of China and to send him an invitation by telegram".

- 1.4 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Albania seconded the Soviet proposal without reservation and asked that a vote should be taken on it immediately. He repeated that if this proposal was rejected, his Delegation would be obliged to leave the Conference and would be unable to recognize any decisions reached in its absence.
- 1.5 The Delegate of Czechoslovakia also supported the Soviet proposal in view of the fact that the representative of the Kuomintang group only represented a group of private individuals whose presence would simply hinder the work of the Conference. The purpose of the Soviet proposal was to remove this obstacle and therefore, if the proposal were rejected, the Czechoslovak Delegation would be obliged to leave the Conference and Czechoslovakia would be unable to recognize the validity of any decisions reached by the remaining delegations.
- 1.6 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, without reiterating a statement he had made on the previous day, wished to point out once more that if the Soviet proposal were not accepted the Delegation of Bulgaria would be unable to remain in the Conference and any decisions reached by the Conference in the absence of this delegation would be considered as invalid by Bulgaria.
- 1.7 The Delegate of the Roumanian People's Republic repeated the statement made on his behalf on the previous day and requested that the following declaration should be recorded in the minutes :

"The Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic considers that the presence at the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference of representatives of the reactionary clique of the Kuomintang, expelled from Chinese territory by the Chinese people, and the absence of the real representative of China, constitute not only an infringement of the provisions of the Atlantic City Convention but a flagrant violation of the elementary rights of sovereign states. In our opinion, no valid decision can be reached by the Conference in the absence of the representative of the People's Republic of China, the only representative, de facto and de jure, of the Chinese people, who constitute one quarter of the population of the whole world and whose Government has been recognized by 26 countries, of which 23 are Member Countries of the I.T.U. For these reasons, the Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic demands that before taking up any other questions, the Conference should resolve to exclude immediately the representative of the Kuomintang clique, and at the same time, to telegraph an invitation to the Central Government of the People's Republic of China. If these decisions are not taken at once, the Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic will be unable to participate in the work of the Conference and will not recognize as valid any decisions reached in its absence."

For the reasons set out above, the Delegation of Roumania strongly supported the Soviet proposal and requested that the Assembly should reach an immediate decision on this proposal.

- 1.8 The Delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic made the following statement, with a request that it should be recorded in the minutes :

"The Delegation of the Hungarian People's Republic strongly endorses the statement just made by the Delegation of the Soviet Union, and is moreover, firmly convinced that if these proposals are not accepted the work of the Conference will be doomed to failure.

Should the Soviet proposal not be adopted, the Delegation of the Hungarian People's Republic will be obliged to leave the Conference and will be unable to recognize as valid any decisions reached in its absence."

- 1.9 The Delegation of the Republic of Poland entirely endorsed the Soviet statement and requested the exclusion of the representative of the Kuomintang group, who could not represent the Chinese people in any way. He asked that the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China - the only legitimate government of China - should be invited to send a delegation to the Conference. It was clear that no practical work could be carried out by the Conference in the absence of China. If the Soviet proposal were rejected the Polish Delegation would be obliged to leave the Conference and the Republic of Poland would be unable to recognize the validity of any decisions reached in these circumstances. The Delegation Poland asked that this statement should be recorded in the minutes.

- 1.10 The Delegation of the United States of America pointed out that the Conference was an administrative one and was not competent to refuse admission to a duly accredited representative of a Member Country of the Union. The Chinese representative had been accredited by the Chinese Nationalist Government, a Member of the I.T.U. and as, according to the provisions of the Atlantic City Convention, administrative Conferences were not qualified to determine the status of Member Countries of the Union, the Delegation of the United States proposed to submit the following motion, after the Assembly had pronounced upon the Soviet resolution :

"Considering that during the second session of the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference the question has been raised of the legality of the presence of the representative of one of the Member Countries of the International Telecommunication Union, namely, that of the representative of the Chinese Nationalist Government;

Considering that this Conference has resolved that it shall be an administrative Conference, in accordance with the Atlantic City Convention;

Considering lastly, that an administrative Conference is not qualified to discuss the political status of Member Countries of the Union;



"The Assembly resolves that this Conference shall not take any decision to exclude the representative of the Chinese Nationalist Government from this Conference."

- 1.11 The Head of the Chinese Delegation pointed out that, at the Meeting of the Heads of Delegations the day before, he had heard statements by certain delegations about the telegram sent by the so-called Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China, and had been strongly opposed to the question being included on the agenda of the first Plenary Assembly. It was, in fact, out of place to discuss whether or not a Member Country of the I.T.U. should take part in the Conference, when it had participated in all the activities of the Union on its various bodies, and had received an invitation to the Florence Conference. As the question had nevertheless come up that day, the Chinese Delegation considered that the Assembly had to decide as the United States Delegation had suggested. From the legal point of view, it was irrefutable that the Florence Conference, being administrative, could not, under the Atlantic City Convention, pass a valid opinion on a question of that kind. Moreover, the so-called Peking Government had been imposed by force of arms on the Chinese people against their will and could not therefore be considered the legal government of China. The Government represented by this delegation, on the other hand, had been freely elected by the people and was represented at the I.T.U., as at other Unions, and also at the United Nations. For all these reasons, only a delegation from that Government was qualified to sit at that Conference or at any other international gathering.
- 1.12 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Bulgaria recalled that, a year ago, after the Chinese people had overcome the Kuomintang Government after a long struggle, one of the first acts of the new Chinese Government was to ask all international organizations to exclude the Kuomintang representatives from their midst. From whatever angle one viewed the problem, one was obliged to recognize that only the representatives of the Central Government of the People's Republic of China were qualified to speak for China. While it was true that more countries had not recognized the Peking Government than had recognized it, the list of those that had was growing daily. Logically, therefore, the Assembly was faced with only one solution, namely, to dispatch a telegram inviting the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China to send a delegation to the Conference, and, by so doing, it would go a long way towards creating the mutual confidence so necessary to the work of the Conference.
- 1.13 The Delegate of the Vatican City expressed the opinion that the Conference was competent only to establish whether or not the representative of a given country represented a Member of the Union. The Conference was by no means entitled to decide upon the admission or exclusion of Members of the Union. There was no doubt that, in the case they were considering, under paragraphs a) and b) of Article 1(2) of the Convention, the Chinese Nationalist Government, whose representatives had moreover participated in the Mexico City Conference, was a Member of the Union just as it was of the United Nations. That was why the Delegation of the Vatican City, for reasons of procedure, thought that, before coming to a conclusion on the Soviet proposal, the Assembly should first decide whether it was competent to do so.

1.14 The Delegate of the Roumanian People's Republic had observed that all the arguments that had been put forward against the Soviet proposal were based solely on legal considerations. Thus, the Delegate of the United States maintained that the Conference was not competent to discuss the matter. Whilst it was true that the Conference could not force the countries of the Union to recognize the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China, it could nevertheless take decisions as to the status of representatives admitted to participate in its work. Thus, during its first session in Mexico City, the Conference had admitted by a majority vote, the State of Israel as an observer (see Document 159 of the Mexico City Conference), in spite of the fact that that country had not been recognized by all Members of the Union. Practical considerations had been at stake, everyone knew that the State of Israel existed, that it had territory and that decisions could not therefore be taken in its absence. Moreover, the classic text-books on international law taught that, in 1848, an American Secretary of State had said about the recognition of the French Republic: "We recognize the right of all nations to establish or reform their political system as they will. It is sufficient for us to know that a government is capable of maintaining its authority for recognition on our part to follow automatically." Even without the help of the argument advanced in those words, it was clear simply from Article 1 of the Convention that it was a question of "countries" and not "governments". The same was true of the Mexico City Agreement. Consequently, while it was possible to argue about the "government" of China, there could be no doubt about China as a territorial and national reality: no one would deny that China was still where it ought to be, that it had not moved, had been there for thousands of years, was still there and would stay there for ever. It was evident that only the Government of Peking now represented that reality. It was also necessary to take into account reasons of a practical nature. Everyone knew that the object of the Conference was to establish an allocation plan for high frequency broadcasting and, if a valid plan was to be produced, the government that actually controlled the network of Chinese stations had to be represented at the Conference.

1.15 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Albania entirely endorsed the views of the Roumanian Delegation. The Convention referred to "countries" and not to "governments", and the fact that the Peking Government had not yet been admitted to the United Nations could not be invoked as an argument in support of depriving that government of the right to send representatives to the Conference. Thus, the People's Republic of Albania was not a Member of the United Nations, but it was, all the same, a Member of the I.T.U. It was irrefutable, therefore, that only representatives of the Peking Government might participate validly in the Conference. If the Soviet proposal were rejected, this would result not only in the exclusion of China from the Conference but would also cause the departure of a considerable number of other delegations. The Florence Conference was not a political but a technical Conference, whose primary aim was to establish order in the ether.

1.16 The Delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic, after hearing the foregoing statements, wished only to add that the delegations present should view the problem from all angles before giving an opinion on the Soviet proposal.

- 1.17 The Delegate of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia expressed the hope that the Conference would contribute to mutual understanding between all countries of the world by endeavouring to draw up a Plan as extensive as possible in scope. There were, or would be, a great number of broadcasting stations on Chinese territory, and it was clear, therefore, that it was in the interests of the Conference to deal with the Government from which these stations actually depended. For these reasons, the Delegation of Yugoslavia proposed that the Assembly should admit to the Conference the representatives of the Peking Government and exclude those of the Kuomintang.
- 1.18 The Delegate of the Netherlands supported the statement made by the Delegate of the Vatican City (see para. 1.13 above) and requested the Assembly's opinion on the following preliminary question :
- "The Conference, considering that its status as an administrative conference prevents it from making, in its own right, any valid legal decision on political or diplomatic matters, resolves not to take any decision or vote on this subject".
- 1.19 The Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic asked who, in the Netherlands Delegate's opinion, was the authority competent to settle the question if, as he had affirmed, the Conference was not.
- 1.20 The Delegate of the Netherlands replied that he could only state that the Conference was not competent. It was not his business, nor had he any right to decide which was the competent body.
- 1.21 The Delegates of the Hungarian People's Republic and of the People's Republic of Albania considered that the question raised by the Roumanian Delegate was important and called for a reply. Would Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., be good enough, therefore, to supply the Assembly with some information on the subject.
- 1.22 Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., said that in the period preceding the adoption of the Atlantic City Convention it had been the custom, at the beginning of conferences, to discuss problems of a political nature such as the status of participants. This custom had been retained after the Convention was adopted, but the logic of such a procedure might be questioned, since the Atlantic City Conference had set up a new body, the Administrative Council. That was the body to which cases not explicitly covered by the Convention should be referred (see Article 5, para. 10). No one could question the fact that all the Union's activities must be directed towards achievement of the purposes set out in Article 3 of the Convention, viz:

"1. The purposes of the Union are :

a) to maintain and extend international cooperation for the improvement and rational use of telecommunication of all kinds;

b) to promote the development of technical facilities and their most efficient operation with a view to improving the efficiency of telecommunication services, increasing their usefulness and making them, so far as possible, generally available to the public;

c) to harmonize the actions of nations in the attainment of those common ends".

If, for any reason, difficulties arose the Administrative Council's role was to overcome them so that the Union could achieve the purposes assigned to it.

Speaking not as Secretary General, but rather as one of the doyens of the Union, he wished to take the opportunity of giving the Assembly his own views on the matter under discussion. The Assembly should remember that, above all, it should make every effort to facilitate the preparation of frequency lists without which radiocommunications could not function normally. He suggested that the question of China be temporarily shelved, and referred for further study to the competent committee, i.e. the Steering Committee or the Credentials Committee, when they had been set up. That was undoubtedly what would have happened, had not the question of China been the first item on the agenda.

1.23 The Delegate of India thought Mr. Mulatier had made a very constructive suggestion worthy of serious consideration. There were many cases in which a common basis of agreement had been found for the delicate questions that had arisen, once the different points of view had been confronted. The matter now dividing the Assembly could well be dealt with in the same way, by referring it to the Credentials Committee when the latter had been set up. He was therefore happy to support the Secretary General's suggestion.

1.24 The delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic thanked Mr. Mulatier for the explanations he had been good enough to give. Unfortunately, however, he could not agree with his conclusions, for according to Article 11, paragraph 1, sub-paragraph (1) b), administrative conferences "deal with all other matters deemed necessary within the terms of the Convention and the General Regulations, or in accordance with any directive given by the Plenipotentiary Conference." Therefore the Assembly could and should decide on the matter.

1.25 The Delegate of the U.S.S.R. thought it was evident from the debate that had taken place that the Conference was entirely competent to solve the problem before it. The Credentials Committee would not be in a better position to solve the problem than the Plenary Assembly and in any case could do no more than make a recommendation on which the Plenary Assembly would be obliged to decide. Any such solution he would be forced to interpret as an indirect attempt not to recognize the Peking Government's right to be represented at the Conference.

1.26 The meeting was adjourned from noon till 12.15 p.m.

1.27 The Delegate of Colombia thought the Assembly had discussed the matter of China's representation sufficiently to be able to reach a decision. He therefore seconded the point of order raised by the Delegate of the Vatican City and called upon the Chairman to take a vote on it forthwith. He requested that the vote be taken by secret ballot under Article 16 of the General Regulations.

1.28 The Delegate of Monaco seconded the motion for a secret ballot.

1.29 The Delegates of the Roumanian People's Republic, the People's Republic of Albania, the People's Republic of Bulgaria, the U.S.S.R., the Hungarian People's Republic and the Republic of Poland were of the opinion:

- 1) that, for numerous legal, political or practical reasons the Conference (which could ignore China, with its vast territory and large population, only at the risk of its work proving futile) had to take a decision along the lines of the Soviet proposal, was competent to do so and the point of order raised by the Delegate of the Vatican City, seconded by the Delegations of Colombia and Monaco, was therefore unnecessary;
- 2) that the suggestion put forward by Mr. Mulatier and taken up by the Delegate of India would only postpone a decision which, in any event, had to be taken by the Plenary Assembly; and
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He added that his delegation would bow to the decision reached, just as it had bowed to the decisions reached on a question which offered many similarities, namely, that of Spain.

1.31 The Delegate of the Vatican City, referring to the practical arguments advanced by the Delegate of the Roumanian People's Republic and others, wondered whether it would not be possible to solve the problem before the meeting by adopting the same solution as for Spain. Spain was, like China, a geographical reality which had not altered and it was not represented either at the I.T.U.

or at the United Nations. A way had, however, been found of dealing with its frequencies. A similar solution could be adopted for China if the Soviet motion were rejected. If, on the other hand, it were adopted, there would, logically, be no reason for not inviting Spain to be represented at the Conference.

- 1.32 The Delegates of the People's Republic of Albania, the Roumanian People's Republic and the U.S.S.R. thought that, contrary to the opinions expressed by the Delegates of Portugal and the Vatican City, China could not be compared with Spain, since there was a United Nations Resolution covering the case of the latter country (see pages 101 and 102 of the Atlantic City Convention).
- 1.33 The Delegate of Colombia fully concurred with the conclusions of the Delegate of the Vatican City as regards the practical aspect of the problem. He also repeated that, before the discussion went any further, the meeting should vote on the point of order raised by the Delegate of the Vatican City.
- 1.34 The Delegate of Bolivia did not think that the Conference was legally competent to pass any judgment on the status of the countries accredited to the Union. Moreover, if, as the Delegate of the Roumanian People's Republic and others maintained, one of the main criteria was that the sovereignty of a country should be exercised by the government having jurisdiction over a given territory, then there was no reason to exclude Spain from the Conference. Spain, too, was a territorial unit, and had, moreover, very greatly contributed to the civilization of the Western world, particularly in Central and South America. The Delegation of the U.S.S.R. and the other delegations of the same opinion had threatened to leave the Conference if their attitude were not adopted. Such a decision could only be regretted, since it showed a lack of cooperation in the pursuit of essentially technical aims applied supremely in the service of humanity and civilisation. What was more, it would be contrary to the interests of high frequency broadcasting, an efficient means of disseminating the arts, sciences and politically healthy ideas. He submitted the following compromise text to the Assembly, in the hope that it might reconcile the divergent points of view:
- "The Plenary Assembly,
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The meeting rose at 1.15 p.m.

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Seen :  
Chairman  
G. Vallauri

Firenze/Rapallo - 1950

M I N U T E S

of the

First Meeting of the Plenary Assembly

Tuesday, 4 April 1950, at 10 a.m.

Palazzo Vecchio

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED :

1. List of participants in the Conference - Publication of telegrams received from Pekin and Brussels (Documents 8, 9 and 10).

Chairman : Professor Vallauri  
Vice-Chairmen : M. G. Gneme  
Lt-General L. Sacco  
Secretary : M. J. Millot

Delegations present at the opening of the meeting :

People's Republic of Albania; Australia (Commonwealth); Austria;  
Burma; People's Republic of Bulgaria; Canada; Ceylon; China;  
State of Vatican City; Republic of Colombia; Portuguese Colonies;  
Colonies, Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under  
mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and  
Northern Ireland; Oversea Territories of the French Republic and  
Territories administered as such; Costa Rica; Denmark; Dominican  
Republic; Egypt; United States of America; Finland; France;  
Guatemala; Republic of Honduras; Hungarian People's Republic;  
India; Republic of the United States of Indonesia; Iceland; State  
of Israel; Italy; Japan; Lebanon; Luxembourg; Mexico; Monaco;  
Nicaragua; Norway; New Zealand; Netherlands; Republic of Poland;  
Portugal; French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia; Federal People's





Republic of Yugoslavia; Southern Rhodesia; Roumanian People's Republic; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Sweden; Swiss Confederation; Syria; Czechoslovakia; Territories of the United States of America; Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Oriental Republic of Uruguay; United States of Venezuela.

Also present were representatives of the following international organisations :

United Nations; International Telecommunication Union; International Frequency Registration Board (I.F.R.B.)

The Chairman opened the meeting at 10.15 a.m. and made the following speech :

"Gentlemen,

I am deeply moved by the honour you have done me and the mark of confidence you have shown in making me Chairman of this international conference, and on behalf of my colleagues, Mr. Gneme and Mr. Sacco, whose names are linked with mine in this office, I should like to express our sincere thanks and assure you that we feel this is a tribute paid to our country rather than ourselves.

We fully realise the difficulties of our task, but we hope that we may count unreservedly on your help. In fact, we need not only your great abilities but also, and more especially, your spirit of cooperation to fulfil our duties and so guide the Conference that it may reach its goal, the preparation of the phases of the Plan which, in the years to come, have to provide for the operation of high frequency broadcasting services throughout the world.

This really very important task also involves serious difficulties because the channel hours available are much fewer than the requirements submitted by the various administrations. We must therefore be ready to accept sacrifices and, above all, to be guided by a really friendly spirit of understanding.

Our good will and all our efforts, combined, as is our duty, with the most complete impartiality will go into this task, in the sincere hope that, thanks to your loyal and helpful cooperation, the final acts of the Florence-Rapallo Conference may in the end be concluded and signed by all the delegations taking part.

I am sure that this is the wish of every one of you, and so, Gentlemen, let us start work."

1. List of Participants in the Conference -  
Publication of Telegrams received from Pekin and Brussels (Documents 8,  
9 and 10).

1.1 At the request of the Chairman, M. Millot (Secretary of the Conference), read the amended list of Member Countries of the Union permitted to participate in the Conference :

Afghanistan; People's Republic of Albania; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; Argentine Republic; Australia (Commonwealth); Austria; Belgium; Bialorussian Soviet Socialist Republic; Burma; Bolivia; Brazil; People's Republic of Bulgaria; Canada; Ceylon; Chile; China; State of Vatican City; Republic of Colombia; Portuguese Colonies; Colonies, Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Oversea Territories of the French Republic and Territories administered as such; Belgian Congo and territories of Ruanda-Urundi; Costa Rica; Cuba; Denmark; Dominican Republic; Egypt; El Salvador; Ecuador; United States of America; Ethiopia; Finland; France; Greece; Guatemala; Haiti; Republic of Honduras; Hungarian People's Republic; India; Republic of the United States of Indonesia; Iran; Irak; Ireland; Iceland; State of Israel; Italy; Japan; Hashimite Kingdom of Jordan; Lebanon; Liberia; Luxembourg; Mexico; Monaco; Nicaragua; Norway; New Zealand; Pakistan; Panama; Paraguay; Netherlands, Surinam, Netherlands Antilles and New Guinea; Peru; Republic of the Philippines; Republic of Poland; Portugal; French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia; Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia; Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic; Southern Rhodesia; Roumanian People's Republic; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Sweden; Swiss Confederation; Syria; Czechoslovakia; Territories of the United States of America; Thailand; Turkey; Union of South Africa and Territory of South-West Africa; Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Oriental Republic of Uruguay; United States of Venezuela; Yemen.

Mr. Millot added that the following international organisations had announced their participation in the Conference :

United Nations; International Telecommunication Union; International Frequency Registration Board (I.F.R.B.); International Radio Consultative Committee (C.C.I.R.).

"Lastly, he stated that the People's Republic of Outer Mongolia had announced that representatives were being sent.

Mr. Millot then read the telegrams received from Pekin and Brussels :

Telegram from Pekin to the General Secretariat of the I.T.U. in Geneva, dated 29 March 1950 :

The Central People's Government of The People's Republic of China is the only legal Government representing the Chinese people. The so-called "Delegates" of the Chinese Kuomintang remnant reactionary clique no longer have the qualification of participating in the

International Telecommunication Union. In the name of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China I now want to inform you formally that it has appointed Li Chiang, Director of Telecommunication Bureau of the Ministry of Post and Telegraph as Chief Delegate to the International Telecommunication Union. Please note this fact and transmit it to the countries concerned and the Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union. The Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China would regard it as a most unfriendly act toward the Chinese People if the so-called "Delegates" of the Chinese Kuomintang would still be allowed to attend the International Broadcasting Conference to be held in Italy on April first = Chou Enlai Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China."

Telegram from Brussels to the Secretary of the Conference :

"As result of misunderstanding Embassy Italy were convinced Conference would begin Rapallo 29 April. Learn I.T.U. inauguration fixed Florence 1 April. Impossible for Belgian Delegation to arrive Florence before 5 or 6 April. Therefore request first definite confirmation date 1 April and place Florence. Second Present apologies of Belgian Delegation to Chairman of Conference. Third Enter Belgium for all committees if necessary before arrival, Stress urgency of reply to point one. Sincere thanks = Henderickx Engineer INR 18 place Flagey Brussels."

1.2 The Chairman then opened the discussion.

1.3 The Head of the Soviet Delegation read the statement he had made on the previous day at the meeting of the Heads of Delegations :

"In the name of the Soviet Delegation, I must say that the Soviet Delegation considers that the representatives of the Kuomintang group should be excluded from the Conference, as they do not represent China. The Soviet Delegation proposes that the Conference should decide to recognize the representative of the People's Republic of China as the sole legitimate representative of China.

"I must point out that if this is not done the Delegation of the U.S.S.R. will withdraw from the Conference, and the Soviet Union will not recognize the validity of decisions reached by the Conference without its participation."

The Soviet Delegation considered that further discussion of this question would be useless as the issue was quite clear, but nevertheless, it wished to point out that in the absence of the true representatives of China, the work of the Conference would be devoid of all practical value.

Therefore, it submitted the following draft resolution with the request that the Conference should pronounce upon it at once :

"The Conference resolves to recognize the representative of the People's Republic of China as sole legitimate representative of China and to send him an invitation by telegram".

- 1.4 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Albania seconded the Soviet proposal without reservation and asked that a vote should be taken on it immediately. He repeated that if this proposal was rejected, his Delegation would be obliged to leave the Conference and would be unable to recognize any decisions reached in its absence.
- 1.5 The Delegate of Czechoslovakia also supported the Soviet proposal in view of the fact that the representative of the Kuomintang group only represented a group of private individuals whose presence would simply hinder the work of the Conference. The purpose of the Soviet proposal was to remove this obstacle and therefore, if the proposal were rejected, the Czechoslovak Delegation would be obliged to leave the Conference and Czechoslovakia would be unable to recognize the validity of any decisions reached by the remaining delegations.
- 1.6 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, without reiterating a statement he had made on the previous day, wished to point out once more that if the Soviet proposal were not accepted the Delegation of Bulgaria would be unable to remain in the Conference and any decisions reached by the Conference in the absence of this delegation would be considered as invalid by Bulgaria.
- 1.7 The Delegate of the Roumanian People's Republic repeated the statement made on his behalf on the previous day and requested that the following declaration should be recorded in the minutes :

"The Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic considers that the presence at the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference of representatives of the reactionary clique of the Kuomintang, expelled from Chinese territory by the Chinese people, and the absence of the real representative of China, constitute not only an infringement of the provisions of the Atlantic City Convention but a flagrant violation of the elementary rights of sovereign states. In our opinion, no valid decision can be reached by the Conference in the absence of the representative of the People's Republic of China, the only representative, de facto and de jure, of the Chinese people, who constitute one quarter of the population of the whole world and whose Government has been recognized by 26 countries, of which 23 are Member Countries of the I.T.U. For these reasons, the Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic demands that before taking up any other questions, the Conference should resolve to exclude immediately the representative of the Kuomintang clique, and at the same time, to telegraph an invitation to the Central Government of the People's Republic of China. If these decisions are not taken at once, the Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic will be unable to participate in the work of the Conference and will not recognize as valid any decisions reached in its absence."

For the reasons set out above, the Delegation of Roumania strongly supported the Soviet proposal and requested that the Assembly should reach an immediate decision on this proposal.

- 1.8 The Delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic made the following statement, with a request that it should be recorded in the minutes :

"The Delegation of the Hungarian People's Republic strongly endorses the statement just made by the Delegation of the Soviet Union, and is, moreover, firmly convinced that if these proposals are not accepted the work of the Conference will be doomed to failure.

Should the Soviet proposal not be adopted, the Delegation of the Hungarian People's Republic will be obliged to leave the Conference and will be unable to recognize as valid any decisions reached in its absence."

- 1.9 The Delegation of the Republic of Poland entirely endorsed the Soviet statement and requested the exclusion of the representative of the Kuomintang group, who could not represent the Chinese people in any way. He asked that the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China - the only legitimate government of China - should be invited to send a delegation to the Conference. It was clear that no practical work could be carried out by the Conference in the absence of China. If the Soviet proposal were rejected the Polish Delegation would be obliged to leave the Conference and the Republic of Poland would be unable to recognize the validity of any decisions reached in these circumstances. The Delegation of Poland asked that this statement should be recorded in the minutes.

- 1.10 The Delegation of the United States of America pointed out that the Conference was an administrative one and was not competent to refuse admission to a duly accredited representative of a Member Country of the Union. The Chinese representative had been accredited by the Chinese Nationalist Government, a Member of the I.T.U. and as, according to the provisions of the Atlantic City Convention, administrative Conferences were not qualified to determine the status of Member Countries of the Union, the Delegation of the United States proposed to submit the following motion, after the Assembly had pronounced upon the Soviet resolution :

"Considering that during the second session of the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference the question has been raised of the legality of the presence of the representative of one of the Member Countries of the International Telecommunication Union, namely, that of the representative of the Chinese Nationalist Government;

Considering that this Conference has resolved that it shall be an administrative Conference, in accordance with the Atlantic City Convention;

Considering lastly, that an administrative Conference is not qualified to discuss the political status of Member Countries of the Union;

"The Assembly resolves that this Conference shall not take any decision to exclude the representative of the Chinese Nationalist Government from this Conference".

1.11 The Head of the Chinese Delegation pointed out that, at the Meeting of the Heads of Delegations the day before, he had heard statements by certain delegations about the telegram sent by the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China, and had been strongly opposed to the question being included on the agenda of the first Plenary Assembly. It was, in fact, out of place to discuss whether or not a Member Country of the I.T.U. should take part in the Conference, when it had participated in all the activities of the Union on its various bodies, and had received an invitation to the Florence Conference. As the question had nevertheless come up that day, the Chinese Delegation considered that the Assembly had to decide as the United States Delegation had suggested. From the legal point of view, it was irrefutable that the Florence Conference, being administrative, could not, under the Atlantic City Convention, pass a valid opinion on a question of that kind. Moreover, the Pekin Government had been imposed by force of arms on the Chinese people against their will and could not therefore be considered the legal government of China. The Nationalist Government, on the other hand, had been freely elected by the people and was represented at the United Nations and the I.T.U. For all these reasons, only a delegation from the Nationalist Government was qualified to sit at that Conference or at any other international gathering.

1.12 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Bulgaria recalled that, a year ago, after the Chinese people had overcome the Kuomintang Government after a long struggle, one of the first acts of the new Chinese Government was to ask all international organizations to exclude the Kuomintang representatives from their midst. From whatever angle one viewed the problem, one was obliged to recognize that only the representatives of the Central Government of the People's Republic of China were qualified to speak for China. While it was true that more countries had not recognized the Pekin Government than had recognized it, the list of those that had was growing daily. Logically, therefore, the Assembly was faced with only one solution, namely, to dispatch a telegram inviting the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China to send a delegation to the Conference, and, by so doing, it would go a long way towards creating the mutual confidence so necessary to the work of the Conference.

1.13 The Delegate of the Vatican City expressed the opinion that the Conference was competent only to establish whether or not the representative of a given country represented a Member of the Union. The Conference was by no means entitled to decide upon the admission or exclusion of Members of the Union. There was no doubt that, in the case they were considering, under paragraphs a) and b) of Article 1(2) of the Convention, the Chinese Nationalist Government, whose representatives had moreover participated in the Mexico City Conference, was a Member of the Union just as it was of the United Nations. That was why the Delegation of the Vatican City, for reasons of procedure, thought that, before coming to a conclusion on the Soviet proposal, the Assembly should first decide whether it was competent to do so.

- 1.14 The Delegate of the Roumanian People's Republic had observed that all the arguments that had been put forward against the Soviet proposal were based solely on legal considerations. Thus, the Delegate of the United States maintained that the Conference was not competent to discuss the matter. Whilst it was true that the Conference could not force the countries of the Union to recognize the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China, it could nevertheless take decisions as to the status of representatives admitted to participate in its work. Thus, during its first session in Mexico City, the Conference had admitted by a majority vote, the State of Israel as an observer (see Document 159 of the Mexico City Conference), in spite of the fact that that country had not been recognized by all Members of the Union. Article 1 of the Convention mentioned "countries" and not "governments". The same was true of the Mexico City Agreement. Consequently, while it was possible to argue about the "government" of China, there could be no doubt about China as a territorial and national reality. It was evident that only the Government of Peking now represented that reality. It was also necessary to take into account reasons of a practical nature. Everyone knew that the object of the Conference was to establish an allocation plan for high frequency broadcasting and, if a valid plan was to be produced the Government that actually controlled the network of Chinese stations had to be represented at the Conference.
- 1.15 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Albania entirely endorsed the views of the Roumanian Delegation. The Convention referred to "countries" and not to "governments", and the fact that the Peking Government had not yet been admitted to the United Nations could not be invoked as an argument in support of depriving that government of the right to send representatives to the Conference. Thus, the People's Republic of Albania was not a Member of the United Nations, but it was, all the same, a Member of the I.T.U. It was irrefutable, therefore, that only representatives of the Peking Government might participate validly in the Conference. If the Soviet proposal were rejected, this would result not only in the exclusion of China from the Conference but would also cause the departure of a considerable number of other delegations. The Florence Conference was not a political but a technical Conference, whose primary aim was to establish order in the ether.
- 1.16 The Delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic, after hearing the foregoing statements, wished only to add that the delegations present should view the problem from all angles before giving an opinion on the Soviet proposal.
- 1.17 The Delegate of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia expressed the hope that the Conference would contribute to mutual understanding between all countries of the world by endeavouring to draw up a Plan as extensive as possible in scope. There were, or would be, a great number of broadcasting stations on Chinese territory, and it was clear, therefore, that it was in the interests of the Conference to deal with the Government from which these stations actually depended. For these reasons, the Delegation of Yugoslavia proposed that the Assembly should admit to the Conference the representatives of the Peking Government and exclude those of the Kuomintang.

- 1.18 The Delegate of the Netherlands supported the statement made by the Delegate of the Vatican City (see para. 1.13 above) and requested the Assembly's opinion on the following preliminary question :

"The Conference, considering that its status as an administrative conference prevents it from making, in its own right, any valid legal decision on political or diplomatic matters, resolves not to take any decision or vote on this subject".

- 1.19 The Delegation of the Roumanian People's Republic asked who, in the Netherlands Delegate's opinion, was the authority competent to settle the question if, as he had affirmed, the Conference was not.

- 1.20 The Delegate of the Netherlands replied that he could only state that the Conference was not competent. It was not his business, nor had he any right to decide which was the competent body.

- 1.21 The Delegates of the Hungarian People's Republic and of the People's Republic of Albania considered that the question raised by the Roumanian Delegate was important and called for a reply. Would Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., be good enough, therefore, to supply the Assembly with some information on the subject.

- 1.22 Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., said that in the period preceding the adoption of the Atlantic City Convention it had been the custom, at the beginning of conferences, to discuss problems of a political nature such as the status of participants. This custom had been retained after the Convention was adopted, but the logic of such a procedure might be questioned, since the Atlantic City Conference had set up a new body, the Administrative Council. That was the body to which cases not explicitly covered by the Convention should be referred (see Article 5, para. 10). No one could question the fact that all the Union's activities must be directed towards achievement of the purposes set out in Article 3 of the Convention, viz:

"1. The purposes of the Union are :

a) to maintain and extend international cooperation for the improvement and rational use of telecommunication of all kinds;

b) to promote the development of technical facilities and their most efficient operation with a view to improving the efficiency of telecommunication services, increasing their usefulness and making them, so far as possible, generally available to the public;

c) to harmonize the actions of nations in the attainment of those common ends".

If, for any reason, difficulties arose the Administrative Council's role was to overcome them so that the Union could achieve the purposes assigned to it.



Speaking not as Secretary General, but rather as one of the doyens of the Union, he wished to take the opportunity of giving the Assembly his own views on the matter under discussion. The Assembly should remember that, above all, it should make every effort to facilitate the preparation of frequency lists without which radiocommunications could not function normally. He suggested that the question of China be temporarily shelved, and referred for further study to the competent committee, i.e. the Steering Committee or the Credentials Committee, when they had been set up. That was undoubtedly what would have happened, had not the question of China been the first item on the agenda.

1.23 The Delegate of India thought Mr. Mulatier had made a very constructive suggestion worthy of serious consideration. There were many cases in which a common basis of agreement had been found for the delicate questions that had arisen, once the different points of view had been confronted. The matter now dividing the Assembly could well be dealt with in the same way, by referring it to the Credentials Committee when the latter had been set up. He was therefore happy to support the Secretary General's suggestion.

1.24 The delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic thanked Mr. Mulatier for the explanations he had been good enough to give. Unfortunately, however, he could not agree with his conclusions, for according to Article 11, paragraph 1, sub-paragraph (1) b), administrative conferences "deal with all other matters deemed necessary within the terms of the Convention and the General Regulations, or in accordance with any directive given by the Plenipotentiary Conference". Therefore the Assembly could and should decide on the matter.

1.25 The Delegate of the U.S.S.R. thought it was evident from the debate that had taken place that the Conference was entirely competent to solve the problem before it. The Credentials Committee would not be in a better position to solve the problem than the Plenary Assembly and in any case could do no more than make a recommendation on which the Plenary Assembly would be obliged to decide. Any such solution he would be forced to interpret as an indirect attempt not to recognize the Pekin Government's right to be represented at the Conference.

1.26 The meeting was adjourned from noon till 12.15 p.m.

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The meeting rose at 1.15 p.m.

Rapporteur :

M. Minutti

Secretary :

J. Millot

Seen :

Chairman  
G. Vallauri

Firenze/Rapallo - 1950

MINUTES

OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, 4 April 1950, at 4 p.m.

Palazzo Vecchio

- QUESTIONS DISCUSSED :
1. Representation of China at the Conference  
(continuation of the discussion begun at  
the first meeting).
  2. Proposal on the composition of the Conference  
Secretariat.
  3. Use of a working language other than French,  
English and Spanish.
  4. Agenda of the Conference.

CHAIRMAN : Professor Vallauri

VICE-CHAIRMEN : Mr. G. Gneme  
Lt. Gen. Sacco

SECRETARY : Mr. J. Millot



DELEGATIONS from the following countries were present :

People's Republic of Albania - Commonwealth of Australia -  
Austria - Burma - People's Republic of Bulgaria -  
Canada - Ceylon - China - State of Vatican City -  
Republic of Colombia - Portuguese Colonies - Colonies,  
Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under  
mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain  
and Northern Ireland, - Oversea Territories of the French  
Republic and Territories administered as such - Costa Rica -  
Denmark - Dominican Republic - Egypt - United States -  
Finland - France - Guatemala - Republic of Honduras -  
Hungarian People's Republic - India - Republic of the  
United States of Indonesia - Iceland - State of Israel -  
Italy - Japan - Lebanon - Luxembourg - Mexico - Monaco -  
Nicaragua - Norway - New Zealand - Netherlands -  
Republic of Poland - Portugal - French Protectorates of  
Morocco and Tunisia - Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia -  
Southern Rhodesia - Roumanian People's Republic - United  
Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland - Sweden -  
Swiss Confederation - Syria - Czechoslovakia - United States  
Territories - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics - Oriental  
Republic of Uruguay - United States of Venezuela . -

Representatives of the following International Organisations were also present :

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International Frequency Registration Board.

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1. REPRESENTATION OF CHINA AT THE CONFERENCE (continuation of the discussion begun at the first meeting).

- 1.1 The Chairman summed up the discussion at the first Plenary meeting and proposed a vote on the motion, submitted by the Delegation of India, to refer the question to the competent Committee.
- 1.2 The Delegates of the U.S.S.R. and the Roumanian People's Republic stated that since the U.S.S.R. proposal had been submitted first, it should be put to the vote first.
- 1.3 The Delegate of India stated that when he first made his proposal to adjourn the discussion (which could be considered as an amendment to the Soviet proposal), he had hoped to offer the Meeting some common ground on which an understanding could be reached, but since the chances of a compromise appeared very remote, he thought it would be better for him to withdraw his motion in order to avoid any further waste of time.
- 1.4 The Delegate of the State of the Vatican City had had an opportunity of studying the Soviet proposal more thoroughly and had noted that it was rather complete and involved both sending an invitation to an absent delegate, and excluding one of the delegates present. He therefore considered that the Conference was, after all, competent to take a decision on the matter. It had to face the facts and decide, in the light of Article 1 of the Convention, whether the delegate present did actually represent a Member State of the Union. He thought this was the case and no longer insisted that the Meeting should decide on the question of competence.
- 1.5 In the circumstances, the Delegate of Colombia withdrew his support for the motion submitted by the Delegate for the Vatican City and proposed that the U.S.S.R.'s resolution should be put to the vote. He also requested a secret ballot.
- 1.6 The Delegate of the United States thought that the Assembly no longer wished to pronounce upon the question of competence and said that he had no objection to a vote on the Soviet proposal. In his opinion, however, the Assembly was not competent to determine the status of a Member Country of the Union, and he objected to the exclusion of the present representative of China. He requested that the vote to be taken on the Soviet proposal should be a secret one.
- 1.7 The Delegate of Bolivia agreed with the Delegate of the United States that the Conference was not competent to pronounce upon the representation of two Governments of a Member Country. As, however, the debate was closed, he would have no objection to a vote on the proposal, provided that this vote was secret.

1.8 The Delegates of Monaco and Australia also asked for a secret vote.

1.9 The Delegate of the U.S.S.R. had no objection to a secret vote on his proposal, but he wished to point out that the delegations which had asked for this method of voting had thereby acknowledged the weakness of their position.

1.10 A secret vote was taken on the Soviet proposal which was rejected by 24 votes to 14, with 12 abstentions.

1.11 The Delegate of the U.S.S.R. then made the following statement which he wished to be recorded in the minutes :

"In view of the rejection by the Conference of the proposal by the Soviet Delegation concerning recognition of the representative of the Chinese People's Republic as the sole legal representative of China, the Soviet Delegation declines to participate in the work of the Conference and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics refuses to recognize the validity of decisions reached by a Conference in which it has not participated."

1.12 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Bulgaria made the following statement with the request that it should be recorded in the minutes :

"In view of the rejection of the proposal by the Soviet Delegation with regard to the recognition of the representative of the Government of the Chinese People's Republic as sole and legal representative of China at the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, the Delegation of the People's Republic of Bulgaria declines to participate in the work of the Conference and states that any decisions which may be reached in the absence of its Delegation will not be considered as valid by its Government."

1.13 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Albania then made the following statement and requested that it should be recorded in the minutes :

"In view of the rejection of the Soviet resolution in favour of inviting to the Conference a delegation from the People's Central Government of the Chinese People's Republic as sole legal representatives of China, the Delegation of the People's Republic of Albania formally declares :

- 1) that it will not participate in the work of the present Conference;
- 2) that the People's Republic of Albania refuses to recognize as valid or legal any decisions reached by this Conference in which it has not participated and will not consider itself bound in any way by these decisions."

1.14 The Delegates of the People's Republic of Roumania made the following statement which he wished to be recorded in the minutes :

"By a decision reached today, the Plenary Assembly has refused to accept the proposal made by the Delegation of the Soviet Union and supported by several delegations, including our own, to recognize the People's Central Government of the Chinese People's Republic as the only legal representative of China, and to invite this Government to participate in the Conference.

In the opinion of the People's Republic of Roumania, this decision on the part of the Plenary Assembly is tantamount to the exclusion of China from participation in the work of the Conference, and it considers that, as it is impossible to solve any of the fundamental problems of the Conference without the participation of the Chinese People's Republic, the work of the Conference will be of no practical value.

In view of the foregoing, the Delegation of the People's Republic of Roumania declares that it declines to participate in the work of the Conference and will refuse to recognize as valid any decision reached without its participation."

- 1.15 The Delegate of Czechoslovakia made the following statement and requested its inclusion in the minutes :

"The Delegation of Czechoslovakia supports the proposal of the Delegation of the Soviet Union concerning the exclusion from the Conference of the representatives of the Kuomintang group and recommending the immediate invitation of the Government of the Chinese People's Republic. In the opinion of the Delegation of Czechoslovakia, as in that of many other delegations, it is absolutely indisputable that the Government of the Chinese People's Republic alone is entitled to accredit official representatives of China to this Conference. It is also clear to the Delegation of Czechoslovakia that the Conference cannot produce any positive results in the absence of the legal representatives of the great country which is China. In ignoring these indisputable facts, the Conference is doomed to failure. Unfortunately, the result of the vote just taken shows a lack of the spirit of mutual cooperation and is a proof of a desire to deprive the greatest nation of all possibility of defending its interests in the field of high frequencies. For these reasons, the Delegations of Czechoslovakia considers it useless to continue to participate in work the results of which will inevitably be in conflict with the task entrusted to the Conference, and finds itself obliged to declare that it cannot participate in the work of the Conference or recognize as valid any decision reached by the Conference in its absence."

- 1.16 The Delegate of the Polish Republic made the following statement and requested that it should be included in the minutes :

"In accordance with my previous statements, and in view of the fact that the proposal of the U.S.S.R. delegation has been rejected, the Delegation of the Polish Republic formally declares that it leaves the Conference, and will not consider itself bound by any decisions adopted in the absence of the Polish Delegation at the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference."



- 1.17 The Delegate of the People's Republic of Hungary made the following statement and requested that it should be recorded in the minutes :

"In view of the fact that the Conference has rejected, by means of a vote, the proposal made by the Delegation of the Soviet Union to invite the only legal representative of China to the Conference, the Delegation of the People's Republic of Hungary formally declares that it declines to participate in the Conference and that it will not recognize as valid any decisions reached in its absence."

- 1.18 Having made the above statements, the Delegations of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the People's Republic of Bulgaria, the People's Republic of Albania, the People's Republic of Roumania, Czechoslovakia, the Republic of Poland and the People's Republic of Hungary left the assembly hall.

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The meeting was adjourned from 5.45 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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- 1.19 Following a discussion between the delegations of the United Kingdom, the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia and Bolivia and a statement by Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., concerning a telegram from the Administration of Outer Mongolia regarding the sending of a representative to the Florence Conference, the Assembly decided to admit the Delegation of the People's Republic of Outer Mongolia as an observer.

## 2. PROPOSAL ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT

- 2.1 The Chairman announced that the Secretary General of the International Telecommunication Union had nominated Mr. Jean Millot as Secretary of the Conference. Mr. Millot was to be assisted by Mr. Jean Revoy, Assistant Secretary, and Mr. Alfred Gander, Treasurer. Mr. Max Minutti and Mr. Georges Tripet were appointed Rapporteurs for Plenary Assemblies.

This proposal was adopted unanimously.

## 3. USE OF A WORKING LANGUAGE OTHER THAN FRENCH, ENGLISH AND SPANISH

- 3.1 In reply to the Chairman, Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., said that the question he had wished to raise seemed no longer pertinent : it was a matter of obtaining the Assembly's views on the use of Russian. The

Secretariat had made arrangements for interpretation and translation in that language. On the face of it, it might seem that since the U.S.S.R. and other Russian-speaking delegations had left, the problem was solved. Possibly, however, certain delegations felt that, if only with an eye to the future, it would be advisable to carry on at least with translation in Russian, if not interpretation. For that reason the Assembly had to give a definite decision on the question : should or should not the Russian translation service be retained ? If it were retained, which delegations would bear the costs incurred by the use of Russian ? Mr. Mulatier would be grateful if the Assembly would come to a decision without delay, so that the Secretariat might know how to allocate the work among the Russian-language staff and the rest of the personnel.

- 3.2 A discussion ensued in which the following took part : the Delegation of Bolivia, the Delegation of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the Union, the Delegation of Colombia, Mr. Gneme, Vice-Chairman, the Delegation of Portugal, the Delegation of India and the Chairman. The Assembly eventually decided not to use Russian as a working language of the Conference, it being clearly understood, however, that the final acts would be prepared in the five official languages of the Union, as laid down in the Convention.

#### 4. AGENDA OF THE CONFERENCE (Document 11)

- 4.1 Mr. Millot (Secretary of the Conference) read the following Agenda, as proposed by the Italian Government to Governments of the Member Countries of the International Telecommunication Union :

- "1. Examination of the Report by the Technical Plan Committee and of the drafts for six phases of the Plan which it prepared following the basic plan approved at Mexico City and the final preparation of the phases of the Plan.
2. Preparation of provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan, a point covered in Resolution 158 of the Fourth Session of the Administrative Council.
3. Various questions connected with Items 1 and 2 such as the consideration of the frequency requirements of the State of Israel for high frequency broadcasting (Resolution 166 of the Fourth Session of the Administrative Council)."

- 4.2 There was a prolonged discussion on this matter. The Delegation of Portugal, the Delegation of Canada and Mr. Gneme, Vice-Chairman, considered the text satisfactory, but other delegations - i.e. those of India, Mexico,

Israel, Bolivia and Ceylon - submitted amendments. In view of the late hour, the Chairman requested the authors of the various amendments to hand in their texts the same evening to the Secretariat. They could thus be distributed before the next meeting and a decision could be reached the following day.

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The meeting rose at 7.30 p.m.

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Rapporteur :

M. Minutti

Secretary :

J. Millot

Seen :  
Chairman  
G. Vallauri

Firenze/Rapallo - 1950

MINUTES  
OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 5 April 1950, at 10 a.m.

Palazzo Vecchio, Florence

- QUESTIONS DISCUSSED :
1. Agenda, status and duration of the Conference (Discussion continued).
  2. (The consideration of this item was deferred until a later meeting. See the Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Plenary Assembly).
  3. Announcement by the Secretariat (after a recess). Continuation of the discussion of Item 1.

CHAIRMAN : Professor G. Vallauri

VICE-CHAIRMEN : Mr. G. Gneme  
General L. Sacco

SECRETARY : Mr. J. Millot

DELEGATIONS PRESENT :

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Burma, Bolivia, Canada, Ceylon, China, Colombia, Portuguese Colonies, Colonies, Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or Trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Oversea Territories of the French Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, United States of America, Finland, France, India, Indonesia, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Mexico, Monaco, Norway, New Zealand, Netherlands, Portugal, Morocco and Tunisia, F.P.R. of Yugoslavia, Southern Rhodesia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Territories of the United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela.



Observers:

United Nations, I.F.R.B.

, International Telecommunication Union.

1. STATUS AND FINAL DATE OF THE CONFERENCE  
(Document 11)

1.1 The Chairman said that, following his request of the previous day that any amendments to the draft agenda (Document 11) should be submitted in writing, the Delegations of France, Mexico, Bolivia, Israel, and Ceylon and India jointly had submitted new texts to the Conference which had been distributed as Documents 17, 19, 20, 21 and 18 respectively.

1.2 Study of the amendements showed that there was no wide divergence of opinion among delegations. Rather than asking them to defend their points of view, he suggested a brief adjournment during which the delegates of the countries concerned should meet to draft a single text if possible.

Agreed.

The meeting was adjourned from 10.15 to 11 a.m.

3. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT

3.1 Mr. Millot, Secretary of the Conference, informed the Assembly that he had received:

3.2 1) the following letter from the Delegate of the Vatican City :

"As I shall be temporarily absent from Florence, I have the honour to authorise Mr. Santiago Quijano, Delegate of Colombia, to vote on behalf of the Vatican City at the present meeting of the Plenary Assembly.

(signed)Filippo Soccorsi."

3.3 2) the following telegram from the Ethiopian Government:

"Have honour inform you that Ethiopia will be represented with voting rights at this conference by Indian Delegation stop Pending receipt necessary credentials request you consider provisionally this telegram inlieu therefore stop Official invitation not yet received stop ; Please acknowledge receipt = Ministry Foreign Affairs."

3.4 3) the following telegram, through the Inspector General of Communications in Rome:

" Argentine administration regrets to announce that it has decided not to send a delegation to the Florence broadcasting conference."

3.5 The Delegate of India wished to clear up any possible confusion about his delegation's representing several countries. He explained that, according to information received from his Government, Burma intended to delegate its powers to Mr. Keshava Chandra in person, and the Ethiopian Government to Mr. T. Rajamanikan in person, in conformity with the rules of the conference.

1.3 AGENDA, STATUS AND DURATION OF THE CONFERENCE  
( Document 11 )  
(Discussion continued) |

1.4 At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Gneme, Vice-Chairman, read the following text, on which the committee appointed before the suspension of the meeting had agreed:

- 1.5 "1-) Examination of the Report by the Technical Plan Committee and the drafts of the six phases of the Plan which it prepared following the basic plan approved at Mexico City, and final preparation of the phases of the Plan.
- "2-) Preparation of provisions concerning the implementation of the Plan.
- "3-) Various questions connected with items 1 and 2 such as:
- a) consideration of technical questions arising out of the preparation and implementation of the Plan;
  - b) consideration of high frequency broadcasting requirements in special cases such as the State of Israel;
  - c) consideration of modifications to requirements submitted by countries, in conformity with the clauses of the Mexico City Agreement."

1.6 He added that the Delegate of Israel had agreed to withdraw his proposal (Document 21) to add to item 3 the words: " Questions connected with this item should be dealt with simultaneously with sections 1 and 2," on condition that his request was noted in the minutes of that Plenary Assembly.

- 1.7        The Delegate of Egypt also wished it to be noted in the minutes that his country would raise the case of Palestine when the Assembly studied item 3.
- 1.8        The Delegate of Syria proposed that Yemen and Jordan should be added to paragraph 3 b).
- 1.9        In reply to the Delegate of the Netherlands, Mr. Gneme, Vice-Chairman, explained that the authors of the agenda had meant by item 3 that requirements submitted to the Technical Plan Committee, or those submitted to the Assembly by countries that had not sent their claims to the Committee, would be considered within the clauses of the Mexico City Agreement. The reference to the Agreement must be interpreted as meaning that the requirements considered at Mexico City would, of course, not be re-examined at the present Conference.
- 1.10       The Delegate of the United States of America recalled that his country had not signed the Mexico City Agreement; he proposed that the words "in conformity with the clauses of the Mexico City Agreement" in paragraph 3 c) should be deleted, as they seemed restrictive and unnecessary to him.
- 1.11       The Delegate of Lebanon also pointed out that Lebanon had not taken part in the Mexico City Conference nor signed the agreement. He seconded the motion by the United States Delegate.
- 1.12       The Delegate of Mexico thought the case of the United States of America might be considered under item 3 b); there was therefore no need to amend item 3 c).
- 1.13       The Delegate of the United States of America was not opposed to that procedure but maintained that item 3 c) was restrictive and might, perhaps, be purely and simply deleted.
- 1.14       The Delegate of Ceylon had been amongst those directed to coordinate the text and had no objection to the proposed deletion of the last words of item 3 c).
- 1.15       The Delegate of France pointed out that the various countries had made their claims first at Geneva, then in Mexico City where a basic plan had been prepared and signed by a number of delegations; the plan had been transformed by the T.P.C. into several plans for the seasons for which propagation conditions necessarily entailed a considerable decrease of the requirements submitted in Mexico City.

- 1.16 If paragraph 3 c) were deleted all the requirements submitted in Mexico City might be submitted again. It would be a radical amendment of extreme importance involving great potential dangers for the Conference.
- 1.17 The French Delegation was therefore opposed to it, but would be prepared to vote for the entire deletion of paragraph c).
- 1.18 The Delegate of India stressed the fundamental difference between the requirements stipulated in paragraph b) (new requirements) and in paragraph c) (modifications to old requirements). He did not see how paragraph c) could be deleted.
- 1.19 The Delegate of Portugal agreed with the French Delegate. Moreover, the case of the United States could be considered under paragraph 3 b); if an agreement could not be reached, paragraph 3 c) might be deleted.
- 1.20 The Delegate of the United Kingdom insisted that the Conference should take a realistic view from the outset and admit the inevitability of delegations' submitting new requirements.
- 1.21 The Delegates of Portugal, Denmark and New Zealand seconded that point of view. There could be no abuse, as the requirements submitted would have to be justified.
- 1.22 After brief interventions by the Delegates of Mexico, New Zealand and the Netherlands amongst others, the Chairman called for a vote on the proposal to delete subparagraph c) of paragraph 3.
- 1.23 The vote was taken by a show of hands.
- 1.24 The amendment was rejected by 19 votes to 15, with 7 abstentions.
- 1.25 The Delegate of New Zealand insisted that subparagraph c) should be included in paragraph 1 and that the expression "modifications to requirements" should be better defined. He suggested that "modifications to assignments" would be more appropriate.
- 1.26 After a lengthy discussion between the Delegates of Bolivia, Ceylon, Colombia, Denmark, Egypt, the United States, France, India, Mexico, the Netherlands, Portugal and Switzerland, the Delegate of the United Kingdom proposed the following text: "To examine modified requirements submitted in view of circumstances which have arisen since the conclusion of the basic plan at Mexico City."



- 1.27        The Delegate of the United States suggested that the word "since" should be replaced by "during and since". The Mexico City Agreement had not taken account of the essential requirements submitted by his Government, which had therefore been unable to sign.
- 1.28        A vote was taken by a show of hands.
- 1.29        By 20 votes to 13 with 8 abstentions, the drafting of sub-paragraph c) proposed by the United Kingdom Delegate and slightly modified by the United States Delegate was approved.
- 1.30        The Delegate of Belgium had abstained from voting because, although he recognised that there were legitimate requirements to be satisfied, the text submitted did not seem perfect and might imperil the Conference if it were misinterpreted.
- 1.31        The Delegate of Mexico had voted against the text as it seemed superfluous since another part of the resolution covered any legitimate requirements that might be submitted.
- 1.32        The Delegate of Portugal had opposed the text for the same reasons.
- 1.33        Mr. Gneme, Vice-Chairman, recalled the decisions reached at the Mexico City Conference, which stipulated that the sole aim of the Florence Conference was to revise and adopt the draft plans prepared by the Technical Plan Committee and to take a final decision on the implementation of the Mexico City Plan. He therefore agreed with the Delegate of India that the Conference could not modify the basic plan of Mexico City.
- 1.34        The Chairman called for a vote on the proposal by the Delegate of Syria, seconded by the Delegate of Lebanon, to add Yemen and Jordan after Israel in paragraph 3 b).
- 1.35        The vote was taken by a show of hands.
- 1.36        There were 32 votes in favour of the proposal, which was therefore adopted.

#### FINAL DATE OF THE CONFERENCE

Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., said that in Resolution N° 157 the Administrative Council had decided to request the Conference to send the plan finally adopted at Florence to the Secretary General by 1 August 1950 at the latest. If the plan was to reach him on the date laid down,

the Conference would have to finish its work on 14 or 15 July. He therefore strongly urged delegates to make the debates as short as possible.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Mulatier for his remarks and assured him that the delegates would make every effort to comply with his request.

The meeting rose at 12.50 p.m.

Rapporteur:

G. TRIPET

Secretary

J. MILLOT

Seen and approved:

Chairman

G. VALLAURI

International High Frequency  
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M I N U T E S

of the

FOURTH MEETING OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 5 April 1950, at 4 p.m.

Palazzo Vecchio, Florence

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- QUESTIONS DISCUSSED :
- 1.- Terms of reference and Status of the Conference.
  - 2.- Final date of the Conference.
  - 3.- Draft for the composition and the terms of reference of the various committees to be set up by the Conference (Document 12).
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CHAIRMAN : Professor G. Vallauri

VICE-CHAIRMEN : Mr. G. Gneme  
General L. Sacco

SECRETARY : Mr. J. Millot



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DELEGATIONS PRESENT :

Australia - Austria - Belgium - Burma - Canada - Ceylon - China -  
Vatican City - Colombia - Portuguese Colonies - Colonies, Protectorates,  
Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship  
of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland -  
Oversea Territories of the French Republic - Denmark - Dominican  
Republic - Egypt - United States of America - Finland - France -  
India - Indonesia - Iceland - State of Israel - Italy - Japan -  
Lebanon - Luxemburg - Mexico - Nicaragua - Norway - New Zealand -  
Netherlands - Portugal - Morocco and Tunisia - Federal People's  
Republic of Yugoslavia - Southern Rhodesia - United Kingdom of  
Great Britain and Northern Ireland - Sweden - Switzerland  
(Confederation) - Syria - Uruguay - Venezuela.

OBSERVERS :

United Nations - I.F.R.B.

International Telecommunication Union.

The meeting was opened at 4.10 p.m.

1. TERMS OF REFERENCE AND STATUS OF THE CONFERENCE.

1.1. At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Gneme, Vice-Chairman, recalled that the Mexico City Agreement was signed by fifty delegations, subject to the approval of their respective Governments. In accordance with Article 2, the contracting Parties undertook to apply the provisions of the Agreement and the Mexico City Plan, which was an integral part of it. Moreover, Article 7 provided that both these diplomatic instruments might be revised only by a Conference convened after the close of the ordinary Administrative Radio Conference in Buenos Ayres in 1952. It was nevertheless provided that modifications to the Plan might be effected, in accordance with Article 9 of the Agreement, by the Organisation entrusted with the implementation of the Plan.

1.2. A Technical Plan Committee to prepare the phases of the Plan, which, added to the Basic Plan, would constitute the Mexico City Plan, was set up under Article 14 of the Agreement.

On March 30th 1949, the Plenary Assembly of the Mexico City Conference adopted a resolution recommending the Administrative Council to take the necessary steps for the convening of the special High Frequency Broadcasting Conference to revise and approve the draft phases of the Plan prepared by the Technical Plan Committee, and to take a final decision on the implementation of the Mexico City Plan.

The Conference furthermore adopted a resolution, published on page 80 of the document containing the Agreement, in which it confirmed, in para. b), the terms of reference of the second conference. Finally, the Administrative Council, during its fourth session, adopted Resolution No. 83, para.D(d) of which reads as follows :

"A Conference has no power to arrange for future sessions of the same conference after the termination of the original session, or for further conferences, except by the procedure prescribed in Article 11 of the Atlantic City Convention 1947 for convening Administrative Conferences."

Nevertheless, considering that fifty countries voted in favour of convening a second High Frequency Broadcasting Conference and that, consequently, the conditions laid down in Article 11, para.3 of the Convention, could be considered fulfilled, the Administrative Council adopted the Resolution No. 156, whence it may be inferred that the Florence-Rapallo Conference is an Extraordinary Administrative Conference, with the above mentioned terms of reference.

1.3. The Delegate of the United Kingdom proposed that the following text be adopted :

"This Conference states that it is an Extraordinary Administrative Conference under the provisions of Article 11, para.3, sub-para.1b) of the Atlantic City Convention and that it is taking place in accordance with the Rules and directives of that Convention."

- 1.4. Mr. Gnome proposed to add the following words to the text:

"its Terms of reference being to revise and adopt the Draft Phases of the Plan prepared by the Technical Plan Committee, and to adopt a final decision concerning the implementation of the Mexico City Plan."

1.5. Following a discussion between the Delegations of the United States of America, France, India, the Netherlands, Portugal, the United Kingdom and Switzerland, from which it emerged that certain doubts prevailed as to the definitive drafting of the text, it was decided by 29 votes that an attempt should be made to redraft the text to the satisfaction of all Delegates and that the new text should be submitted at the next meeting.

2. FINAL DATE OF THE CONFERENCE.

2.1. The Chairman once again urged all Delegates present to bear in mind constantly the fact that the Conference was to finish its work on the 14 or 15 July.

3. DRAFT FOR THE COMPOSITION AND THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES TO BE SET UP BY THE CONFERENCE (Doczment 12).

3.1. At the request of the Chairman, the Delegate of India commented on the proposal contained in Document 16. The text took account of the decisions adopted concerning the terms of reference of the Conference; it would enable the Conference to work very rapidly and, in brief, proposed the constitution of two supplementary committees, - one entrusted with the consideration of the requirements and the other with the study of technical questions.

3.2. A lengthy discussion followed between the Delegates of Belgium, Ceylon, Colombia, France, Denmark, Egypt, the United States of America, India, the Netherlands, Portugal, the United Kingdom, Switzerland and Yugoslavia, and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, on the advisability of setting up the two committees or sub-committees, on coordination, on the difficulties experienced by small delegations wishing to participate in the work of several committees, etc...

3.3. The Chairman called for a vote on the amendment proposed by the Delegation of India to set up a Technical Committee and a Requirements Committee (Document 16).

3.4. At the request of the United Kingdom Delegation a roll-call vote was taken.

3.5. By 19 votes to 21 with 2 abstentions, the Indian proposal (Doc.16) was rejected.

For : Australia (Commonwealth), Austria, Burma, Ceylon, Colonies and Territories of the United Kingdom, Dominican Republic, United States of America, India, Indonesia, State of Israel, Lebanon, Norway, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Southern Rhodesia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Switzerland (Confederation), Syria, Territories of the United States of America.

Against : Belgium, Canada, China, Vatican City, Portuguese Colonies, Overse Territories of the French Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Iceland, Italy, Luxemburg, Mexico, Nicaragua, Portugal, Morocco and Tunisia, Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, Sweden, Uruguay, Venezuela.

Abstentions : Colombia, Japan.

3.6. The Chairman then put to the vote a compromise proposal by the French Delegation to the effect that a single committee called "Requirements Committee", should be appointed.

3.7. A vote was taken by a show of hands.

3.8. By 26 votes to 4 this proposal was adopted.

3.9. The meeting was adjourned at 5.55 p.m., so that Delegations might exchange views regarding the terms of reference of committees, and resumed its work at 6.10 p.m.

3.10. Following a brief discussion and the submission of certain drafting amendments by the Delegations of France and Mexico, the terms of reference of the Steering Committee were laid down as follows :

3.11. Steering Committee. With the Chairman of the Conference presiding, to consider all questions that the Chairman believes to concern all Committees or questions which the Chairman considers he should reserve for the prior consideration of the Heads of Delegations.

3.12. The Committee shall be composed of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference, the Heads of Delegations and the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees.

3.13. A limited group of these latter under the Chairman or one of the Vice-Chairmen of the Conference shall prepare the agenda of the Plenary Assemblies and the time-tables of Committee, Sub-Committee and Working Group meetings.

3.14. The limited group shall also ensure coordination between Committees.

3.15. The Assembly adopted without discussion the terms of reference of the Credentials Committee as drafted in Document 12.

3.16. After a lengthy discussion between the Delegations of Belgium, Ceylon, Denmark, the United States of America, France, India, Indonesia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Portugal, and the United Kingdom, and the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen, in the course of which texts were proposed in particular by the Delegates of Mexico, India, and the United Kingdom, it was decided, following a proposal by the French Delegation that after further consultation delegations should submit to the next meeting a single text concerning the terms of reference of the Phases of the Plan Committee, which was henceforth called Committee 4, and of the Requirements Committee, henceforth Committee 3.

3.17. The terms of reference of the Implementation Committee (henceforth Committee 5), of the Drafting Committee (henceforth Committee 6) and of the Budget Control Committee (henceforth Committee 7), as laid down in Document 12, were adopted without discussion.

3.18. The Chairman urged Delegations to make every effort to reach an agreement before the next meeting as to the countries which should be proposed for the chairmanship and vice-chairmanship of the various committees.

3.19. The meeting rose at 7.20 p.m.

Rapporteur :

G. Tripet

Secretary :

J. Millot

Seen,  
Chairman :

G. Vallauri

Dn/Rg



International High Frequency  
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CORRIGENDUM No.2

M I N U T E S

of the

**5th Meeting of the Plenary Assembly**

Thursday 6th April 1950

At the request of the Egyptian Delegation, delete paragraph 1.4  
(page 6) and substitute the following text :

"The delegation of Egypt referring to the Statement by the Delegate of Indonesia, considered that the present conference could not alter the Mexico City agreement due to its limited agenda, and consequently could not alter article 12 of this agreement which says that the agreement and the plan will be put into force, if a simple majority of the countries appearing in annex 1 of Atlantic City Convention will sign and approve the agreement."



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OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY

Page 5, para. 1.3, line 10, delete the words :

"countries represented by delegations to the Conference...."

and replace by :

"countries whose delegations have left the Conference ....."

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MINUTES  
of the  
Fifth Meeting of the Plenary Assembly  
Thursday, 6 April 1950, at 10 a.m.  
Palazzo Vecchio

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED :

1. Statement by the United States Delegation.
2. Status of the Conference.
3. Terms of Reference of the Requirements Committee and Phases of the Plan Committee.

Chairman : Professor Vallauri

Vice-Chairman : Mr. G. Gneme  
Lt. Gen. L. Sacco

Secretary : Mr. J. Millot

Delegations present :

Commonwealth of Australia; Austria; Belgium; Burma; Canada; Ceylon; China; State of Vatican City; Republic of Colombia; Portuguese Colonies; Colonies, Protectorates, Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Oversea Territories of the French Republic and Territories administered as such; Cuba; Denmark; Dominican Republic; Egypt; United States of America; Ethiopia; Finland; France; India; Republic of the United States of Indonesia; Iceland; State of Israel; Italy; Japan; Lebanon; Luxembourg; Mexico; Monaco; Norway; New Zealand; Netherlands; Surinam; Netherlands Antilles and New Guinea; Portugal; French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia; Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia; Southern Rhodesia; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Sweden; Swiss Confederation; Syria; Territories of the United States of America; Uruguay; Venezuela.

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Observers :

United Nations; International Frequency Registration Board.

International Telecommunication Union (represented by the Secretary General, Mr. Mulatier).

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1. STATEMENT BY THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION

- 1.1. The Delegation of the United States was afraid that, when the agenda and status of the Conference were being discussed, certain delegations might, perhaps, have in some way misunderstood the real intentions of the United States Delegation in proposing an extension of the terms of reference of the Conference, and it therefore thought it should make its position clear in the following statement :

"The Delegation of the United States wishes to take this opportunity to reaffirm its well-known desire that the series of high frequency broadcasting conferences envisioned in 1947 at Atlantic City produce an allocations plan containing a truly equitable distribution of frequency hours. This desire, and the United States Delegation's sincere hopes for the success of this Conference, have in no way been retarded by threats and acts of non-participation. In fact, they have increased.

"To attain any basis of permanency, such a plan must obviously take into consideration current broadcasting activity and projected future broadcasting which has reasonable probability of realization. No other plan could be acceptable to the United States Government. It is difficult to see that any other plan would be acceptable to the other nations of the world.

"The distinguished representative of the Italian Government, His Excellency, Minister Spataro, in his most discerning opening address of welcome to this Conference, referred to the role in history of this exquisite city of Florence. Truly Florence is the cradle of much of the culture, art, science, and statesmanship which have given rise to the modern world's basic and indispensable concepts of individual freedom. It is symbolic that in this city there has now convened a world meeting of scientists, engineers, and statesmen, gathered to explore again the ways and means of accomplishing an end widely considered desirable.

"Minister Spataro further made reference to the most obvious, but unfortunately sometimes ignored fact that sacrifices must be made by all nations if a really equitable assignment plan is to be evolved by this Conference or by any future conference. The sharing, therefore, of the available supply of appropriate frequency hours should be based, first and foremost, upon a statesmanlike approach.

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"The Delegation of the United States sincerely hopes that this Conference will frankly and squarely face and meet this problem. In doing so, it hopes that its own delegates and all others here will continue to maintain a statesmanlike attitude by tempering their hopes and plans with practical possibilities.

"Prior to, at, and since the Atlantic City Conference, the United States and many other nations have expended truly herculean efforts to obtain for all nations and all peoples the maximum benefits from the radio spectrum. Let us constantly remind ourselves that this spectrum is by its very physical nature a vital international resource to be used by all with mutual tolerance, understanding, and restraint, for the benefit of all the peoples of the world. All human beings throughout the world have an inalienable right to the education, cultural development, and political progress that can be so greatly enhanced by the exchange of information through international broadcasting.

"The Delegation of the United States to the Mexico City Conference introduced a plan which represented a substantial curtailment of the requirements of the United States. This major concession was not met by relative concessions on the part of many user nations. As the Conference progressed, following the introduction of the United States plan, the Mexico City plan was developed. This conference plan incorporated the drastically reduced United States requirements appearing in the United States plan, together with the requirements of some other countries which had made similar reductions. But as the conference plan expanded, it exceeded the United States plan by approximately two thousand hours, or more than thirty percent. However, the United States did not receive any portion of this expansion. Furthermore, some of the assignments to the United States were technically unsound because of the reduction of simultaneous sharing interference-ratios to an extent which would result in harmful interference to United States transmissions. Therefore, the Mexico City plan was unacceptable to the United States. The United States of America wishes to make its present position unmistakably clear : Its needs have increased substantially since the Mexico City Conference.

"Like all nations of the world, the United States has an obligation to protect the truth, to protect the freedom of democratic processes, and to exchange information by all possible means to these ends. The United States therefore engages actively in international high frequency broadcasting and proposes, despite present and potential interference, to continue to do so, with every regard for the rights and equities of all nations. The Delegation of the United States is willing to consider the use of any sound and reasonable plan or proposal as a basis for discussion, modification, and adjustment.

"If the delegations at this Conference will join in a realistic curtailment of their respective countries' requirements, the United States Delegation will continue to contribute unsparingly of its time, of its energy, and of its technical resources, in order to contribute all possible help in the drafting of a mutually acceptable plan.

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"The Atlantic City Convention enjoins its signatory nations to refrain from harmful interference to the signals of other member nations on frequencies duly allocated. In the field of high frequency broadcasting, willful and harmful interference can obviously destroy the great value which might otherwise accrue to the listening public of the world. Any attempt to avoid recognition of this fact would be wholly unrealistic. The United States Delegation therefore proposes that the Conference consider this problem early in its deliberations and agree that any plan must contain a provision, consistent with the Atlantic City Convention, which would provide effective relief and remedy to any nation whose broadcasting is subjected to deliberate interference.

"In pursuance of the basic concepts accepted by almost eighty nations and territories of the world at Atlantic City, the conference must find a basis of agreement that all high frequency broadcasting will, upon the implementation of the Atlantic City tables, be confined to the bands therein allocated.

"In keeping with the traditions of the United States in its international relations, its Delegation has frankly placed before this Conference its thoughts concerning these basic problems. The United States most sincerely desires the success of this Conference, and will cooperate, as always, with the other nations toward that end."

The Delegate of the United States said he would be pleased to answer any questions on the above statement, and had therefore arranged for the text to be distributed by the end of the morning.

1.2. The Delegate of Indonesia wished to ask the Assembly some questions in connection with the statement made by the Head of the United States Delegation.

Unfortunately, the Soviet Delegation and others had left the Conference after having explicitly stated that they would recognise none of its decisions, and the Indonesian Delegation therefore wanted to know the opinion of the Assembly as to the utility of the work of the Conference.

The Chairman had already said, at the opening of the first meeting of the Plenary Assembly, that ~~new~~ sacrifices had to be made. It was also the opinion of the Indonesian Delegation that sacrifices were necessary if the Conference wished to reach agreement on the six phases of the Plan, but he wondered how the Conference could reach its goal without the cooperation of the Soviet Administration and those others which would not recognise its decisions.

It was possible to treat the assignments relating to those administrations on the same basis as those of other administrations; nevertheless if the administrations in question ignored the decisions of the Conference, the Indonesian Delegation felt that the plans to be prepared would have very little practical value.

If, however, it was considered that the work of the conference was still likely to be of some use, the Indonesian Delegation would be glad to know how the Assembly proposed to solve the problems that might arise out of the present situation.

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- 1.3. The Delegation of New Zealand thanked the United States Delegation for the explanation it had just given, and was convinced that all those who had regretted the United States' refusal to sign the Mexico City Agreement would welcome the statement that had been made that morning in the name of the United States.

With regard to the point raised by the Delegation of Indonesia, the question was : to what extent would the Conference succeed in establishing plans for transmissions that would be satisfactory to listeners ? It was certain that if the Conference made assignments that were satisfactory to the countries represented by delegations to the conference, those countries would be obliged to respect them if their own services were to function well. For that reason the Delegation of New Zealand considered that the Conference should carry on with its work.

- 1.4. The Delegation of Egypt, referring to the statement by the United States Delegation, considered that the present Conference could not alter the Mexico City Agreement, and in this connection quoted Article 12 of the Agreement.
- 1.5. The Chairman thanked the various delegations for their observations.

## 2. STATUS OF THE CONFERENCE

- 2.1. At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Millot, Secretary of the Conference, read the proposed status of the Conference as it stood with the various amendments that had so far been made :

"This Conference states that it is an extraordinary Administrative Conference under the provisions of Article 11, paragraph 3, sub-paragraph 1 (b) of the Atlantic City Convention and that it is taking place in accordance with the Regulations and Directives of that Convention, its terms of reference being to revise the draft phases of the Plan prepared by the Technical Plan Committee, to adopt those drafts with any necessary amendments, and to take a final decision on the implementation of the Mexico City Plan".

- 2.2. The Delegations of the United States of America, Portugal, Israel and the Netherlands thought that the status proposed above might overlap with the agenda adopted the previous day by the Conference (see Document 22); however the Delegations of India, Mexico, and France and Mr. Gneme, the Vice-Chairman, thought the wording was satisfactory.

- 2.3. After a short adjournment to enable the various delegations to discuss the divergent opinions, the Assembly, by 24 votes to 12 with 6 abstentions, adopted a Netherlands proposal to delete the last part of the text as read by the Secretary. The following text of the status was finally adopted :

"This Conference states that it is an extraordinary Administrative Conference under the provisions of Article 11, paragraph 3, sub-paragraph

1 (b) of the Atlantic City Convention and that it is taking place in accordance with the General Regulations annexed to that Convention."

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE AND THE  
PHASES OF THE PLAN COMMITTEE

Requirements Committee (Committee 3)

3.1. The Chairman opened the discussion on the proposed terms of reference submitted by the Delegation of Italy (Document 23) :

"To consider, coordinate and summarise countries' requirements, and to make commentaries and, if necessary, proposals."

3.2. The Delegations of Denmark, Indonesia, the United Kingdom, Egypt and Portugal suggested various amendments, and eventually the Assembly adopted, by 38 votes, the amendments submitted by the Delegations of the United Kingdom and Portugal, the terms of reference of the Requirements Committee finally reading :

"To consider, coordinate and standardise the presentation of requirements submitted in accordance with Item 3 (b) and 3 (c) of the Conference Agenda (Document 22), and to report on these as soon as possible."

3.3. At the suggestion of the Delegation of Switzerland, it was decided to add a note to the terms of reference urging Committee 3 to make every effort to finish its work by the end of April.

Phases of the Plan Committee (Committee 4)

On a proposal by the Chairman, the Assembly adopted unanimously the draft terms of reference for Committee 4, submitted jointly by the Delegations of the United Kingdom, India and Indonesia (Document 24) :

- A. To review the final report of the Technical Plan Committee and to fix a date by which the comments of all delegations shall have been received in either written or oral form; and to review these comments.
- B. To recommend, after study of the report of the Requirements Committee, how best to adapt the phases of the Plan to meet objections and requirements.
- C. To appoint a technical sub-committee for the purpose of considering specific technical questions relating to the preparation of the Plan.

The Plan Committee will thereafter receive further directives from the Plenary Assembly in the light of the decisions taken on the recommendations."

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3.5. This point having been decided, the terms of reference of all the Committees of the Conference had been settled.

The meeting rose at 12.45 p.m.

Rapporteur :

M. Minutti

Secretary :

J. Millot

Seen :  
The Chairman,

G. Vallauri

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M I N U T E S  
of the  
Sixth Meeting of the Plenary Assembly  
Thursday 6 April 1950, at 4 p.m.  
Palazzo Vecchio.

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED

1. Countries proposed for the Chairmanship and Vice-Chairmanship of the various committees ( Doc. No. 13).
2. Calendar and timetable of the Conference ( Doc. No.14).
3. Rules of Procedure of the Conference ( Doc.No.6).
4. Miscellaneous: Communication by the Secretary-General of the I.T.U. concerning the budget of the Conference.

Chairman: Mr Valleuri  
Vice-Chairman: Mr G. Gneme  
Lt. Gen. L. Sacco  
Secretary: Mr J. Millot

Delegations present:

Commonwealth of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Burma, Canada , Ceylan, China, Vatican City State, Republic of Colombia, Portuguese Colonies, Colonies, Protectorates, Overseas Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, French Oversea Territories and territories administered as such, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, United States of America, Ethiopia, Finland, France, India, Republic of the United States of Indonesia, Iceland, State of Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxemburg, Mexico, Norway, New Zealand, Netherlands, Surinam, Netherland East Indies and New Guinea, Portugal, French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia, Peoples Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Southern Rhodesia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Republic of Uruguay, United States of Venezuela.

Observers:

United Nations,  
International Telecommunication Union.



1. COUNTRIES PROPOSED FOR THE CHAIRMANSHIP AND VICE-CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES (Doc. No. 13)

- 1.1. The Chairman proposed that the Assembly should adopt the following revised list submitted by the Delegation of Italy after the decision of the Conference to set up a Requirements Committee:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>1st Vice-Chairman</u>	<u>2nd Vice-Chairman</u>
1. Steering	Italy	Colombia	Pakistan
2. Credentials	Uruguay	New Zealand	Switzerland
3. Requirements	France	Indonesia	Venezuela
4. Phases of the Plan	Mexico	India	Portugal
5. Implementation	United Kingdom	United States	Australia
6. Drafting	Belgium	Canada	Cuba
7. Budget Control			

The Budget Control Committee is composed of the Delegates of Egypt (Chairman) and Italy (inviting country) and of a representative of the General Secretariat.

- 1.2 The Delegate of the Netherlands, supported by the Delegates of India and of New Zealand, said that although he had complete confidence in the validity of the procedure followed by the Chairman which was entirely in accordance with Article 9 of the General Regulations, it might be advisable, in the present special circumstances, to allow the different members of the Assembly themselves to propose candidates for the Chairmanships of the various Committees, after which a secret vote could be taken. This would not apply to Committee 1, of course, since its Chairmanship fell automatically to Italy, not to Committee 7 whose Chairmanship had already been accepted by the Delegation of Egypt

- 1.3 The Delegations of Uruguay, France, Mexico, the United Kingdom and Belgium having respectively declined the Chairmanship of Committees 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, the Assembly was obliged to adopt the procedure suggested by the Delegate of the Netherlands.

- 1.4 At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Assembly adopted the following procedure by 28 votes to 0, with 22 abstentions:

Every delegation shall hand in to the Chairman the name of its candidate for each Committee and the candidates shall be chosen by the Assembly by means of a secret vote.

1.5 Committee 2 : ( The Delegation of the Vatican City, represented by Colombia, declined to participate in the vote). The 4 candidates nominated by the delegations present were, in alphabetical order, Ceylan, Colombia, Mexico and Uruguay. As Ceylan, Colombia and Mexico refused the candidature offered to them, Uruguay was appointed by acclamation to the Chairmanship of Committee 2.

1.6 Committee 3: The 7 candidates nominated by the delegations present were, in alphabetical order: Colombia, France, Mexico, Portugal, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and Venezuela. As Switzerland, the United Kingdom, Venezuela, Mexico, Portugal and Colombia refused the candidature offered to them, France was appointed by acclamation to the Chairmanship of Committee 3.

1.7 Committee 4 : The 5 candidates nominated by the delegations present were, in alphabetical order, as follows: Belgium, Colombia, Mexico, the United Kingdom and the United States.

As the delegations of Belgium, the United States and the United Kingdom refused the candidature offered to them, it remained for the Assembly to decide between Colombia and Mexico. ( The Delegation of the Vatican City declined to participate in the vote). A secret vote was taken, with the following result:

in favour of Colombia:	19 votes
in favour of Mexico :	19 votes
abstentions :	3

A second secret vote gave the following result:

in favour of Colombia :	21 votes
in favour of Mexico :	17 votes
abstentions :	3

Colombia was therefore elected to the Chairmanship of Committee 4.

1.8 The Delegate of Colombia thanked the Assembly for the honour conferred upon his country and said that he had submitted his candidature in the vote which had just taken place in order to demonstrate that his delegation, though small, was prepared to make every possible contribution to the work of the Conference.

1.9 The Delegate of Mexico expressed the gratitude of his delegation to the Delegation of Italy for the honour which it had bestowed upon him in proposing his name for the

Chairmanship of one of the Committees of the Conference. It was in acknowledgement of this gesture on the part of Italy, that the Mexican Delegation had not withdrawn its name from the list of candidates, although it realized that some delegations wished to see this list modified. The Delegation of Mexico, moreover, was grateful to be relieved of the Chairmanship of a Committee since it would thus be in a better position to devote itself entirely to defending the interests of its own country.

- 1.10 Committee 5: The 9 candidates nominated by the delegations present were, in alphabetical order, the following: Australia, Belgium, Canada, India, Mexico, the Netherlands, Portugal, the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia and the United Kingdom.

Since Canada, Australia, India, Portugal, Mexico, the Netherlands, Yugoslavia and Belgium declined the candidature offered to them, the United Kingdom was appointed by acclamation to the Chairmanship of Committee 5.

- 1.11 Committee 6 : The 6 candidates nominated by the delegations present were, in alphabetical order, the following: Belgium, Canada, France, Switzerland, Syria and the United States.

As France, Canada, the United States, Syria and Switzerland refused the candidature offered to them, Belgium was appointed by acclamation to the Chairmanship of Committee 6.

- 1.12 The Chairman then read the final list of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the various Committees:

Committee	Chairman	1st Vice-Chairman	2nd Vice-Chairman
1. Steering	Italy	Territories of the United States	Pakistan
2. Credentials	Uruguay	New Zealand	Switzerland
3. Requirements	France	Indonesia	Venezuela
4. Phases of the Plan	Colombia	India	Portugal
5. Implementation	United Kingdom	United States	Australia
6. Drafting	Belgium	Canada	Cuba
7. Budget Control	Egypt		

- 1.13 Following a discussion between the delegations of France and Canada and Mr. Gneme, the Chairman asked the delegations to inform the Secretariat of the Committees in which they wished to be represented.

## 2. CALENDAR AND TIMETABLE OF THE CONFERENCE ( Doc. No.14)

At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Assembly decided to adopt provisionally the calendar and timetable which appear

in Doc. No 14, i.e. : Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

3. RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE CONFERENCE ( Doc. No.6)

At the suggestion of the Chairman, it was decided to retain provisionally the Rules of Procedure adopted in Mexico.

4. MISCELLANEOUS : COMMUNICATION BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE I.T.U. CONCERNING THE BUDGET OF THE CONFERENCE.

Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., asked the Assembly to grant him a few minutes in which to talk of a matter that had already been discussed during the meeting of the Heads of Delegations. This was the question of the salaries of the interpreters and translators engaged for the Florence-Rapallo Conference. In making estimates for the budget of the Conference the General Secretariat, still bearing in mind the very considerable expenditure incurred in Mexico had, perhaps, erred on the side of economy. Both the number of personnel and salary and per diem scales had been drastically reduced. He quoted as an example the daily remuneration of 130 Sw. frs. formerly paid to interpreters. This had now been reduced to 95 Sw. fr., while UNESCO, whose General Assembly was to be held in Florence in May, offered to the same category of personnel 160 Sw. frs. per day. Some interpreters and translators had refused contracts offered to them on these terms. Mr. Mulatier said, that, in order to organize the Secretariat in such a way as to give complete satisfaction to the delegates, he might have taken it upon himself to raise those salaries which were considered insufficient, but he had not wished to present the Conference with a fait accompli and had preferred to wait until the meeting of the Plenary Assembly in order to submit this question to it. He had promised the interpreters and translators that he would do everything within his power to obtain the authorization of the Conference to raise the ceiling of expenditure to a level sufficient to allow of reasonable increases in salaries. He had the confidence of most of the interpreters and translators and he now wished to ask the Plenary Assembly to authorize the requested increase of credit. It was clear that the remuneration of all categories of personnel had been reduced as a consequence of the reduction in the salaries of interpreters and translators, and therefore, a small readjustment would have to be made throughout the scale. The sum needed would not exceed 100,000 Sw. frs. and this expenditure would be partially compensated by economies made in other quarters.

Furthermore, one omission should be pointed out. The Draft Budget adopted by the Council only provided 3,000 Sw. frs. under the item " Travelling Expenses".

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This sum was clearly insufficient to cover the expenses of transporting the 108 members of the Secretariat, and should be increased to about 20.000 Sw. frs.

4.2        The Delegate of Canada thought that in view of the lateness of the hour, this question should be referred to the Budget Control Committee.

4.3        Mr. Mulatier considered that the Assembly should take a decision of principle on this question at once, since, in any case, the final decision would rest with the Assembly and it was essential that the matter should be settled as soon as possible.

4.4        The Delegate of Colombia agreed with the proposal of the Delegate of Canada that the question should be considered after it had been referred to the Budget Control Committee, but suggested, that the Assembly should reach a decision of principle in order that Mr. Mulatier might proceed to make the adjustments he had advocated.

The Assembly agreed.

The meeting rose at 7.35 p.m.

Rapporteur :  
M. Minutti

Secretary :  
J. Millot

Seen ,  
The Chairman :  
G. Vallauri.

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International High Frequency  
Broadcasting Conference

Firenze/Rapallo - 1950

Document No. 62-E  
17 April 1950

Corrigendum No. 1

M I N U T E S

of the

Seventh Meeting of the Plenary Assembly

Friday, 7 April 1950

Amendment requested by the Delegate of the Federal People's Republic of  
Yugoslavia :

Page 4, para. 4.2., end of the second sentence, in place of :

".... by certain European stations." read :

".... by certain stations, especially those in Germany."





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M I N U T E S  
of the  
Seventh Meeting of the Plenary Assembly  
Friday, 7 April 1950, 10 a.m.  
Palazzo Vecchio

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED:

1. Composition of Committees
2. Time-table of the first meetings of the various committees.
3. Final date for the conclusion of the task laid down in para.A of the terms of reference of Committee 4.
4. Situation created by the departure of the U.S.S.R. and other delegations.

Chairman : Professor Vallauri

Vice-Chairmen : Mr. G. Gnome;  
Lt.General L. Sacco

Secretary : Mr. J. Millot



Delegations present : Australia (Commonwealth of); Austria; Belgium; Burma; Canada; Ceylon; China; Colombia; Portuguese Colonies; Colonies, Protectorates and Oversea Territories and Territories under mandate or trusteeship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Oversea Territories of the French Republic and Territories administered as such; Denmark; Dominican Republic; Egypt; United States of America; Finland; France; India; Republic of the United States of Indonesia; Iceland; State of Israel; Italy; Japan; Luxembourg; Mexico; Monaco; Norway; New Zealand; the Netherlands; Surinam, Netherlands East Indies and New Guinea; Portugal; French Protectorates of Morocco and Tunisia; Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia; Southern Rhodesia; the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland;

Sweden; Swiss Confederation; Syria; Territories of the United States of America; Uruguay; Venezuela.

Observers: United Nations

Also present: Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General  
of the I.T.U.

1. COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES

1.1 At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Millot, Secretary, called the roll and asked the delegations to state at which Committees they wished to be represented.

Australia	all Committees
Austria	" "
Belgium	Committees 3,4,5
Burma	all Committees
Canada	" "
Ceylon	" "
Colombia	" "
Portuguese Colonies	Committees 3,4,5
Oversea Territories of the United Kingdom	all Committees
Oversea Territories of the French Republic	Committees 3,4,5
Denmark	" " 3,4,5
Dominican Republic	all Committees
Egypt	" "
United States of America	" "
Ethiopia	" "
Finland	Committees 3,4,5
France	all Committees with exception of Com. 2
India	all Committees
Indonesia	Committees 3,4,5
Iceland	" " 3,4,5
Israel	" " 3,4,5
Italy	all Committees
Japan	Committees 3,4,5
Luxembourg	" " 3,4,5,6,7
Mexico	all Committees
Monaco	" "
Nicaragua	" "
New Zealand	" "



Netherlands	Committees 3,4,5,6
Portugal	all Committees with the exception of Committee 7
Morocco & Tunisia	Committees 3,4,5,6
Yugoslavia	" 3,4,5
Southern Rhodesia	all Committees
United Kingdom	" "
Sweden	Committees 3,4,5
Switzerland	" 3,4,5,7
Syria	" 3,4,5
Territories of the U.S.A.	" 3,4,5
Uruguay	" 3,4,5
Venezuela	" 3,4,5,6
United Nations	" 3,4,5

Forms would also be placed in the pigeon-holes of all delegations to enable those absent at the time to indicate the Committees in which they wished to participate.

## 2. TIME-TABLE OF THE FIRST MEETINGS OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES.

2.1 Following an exchange of views between the Chairman, Mr. Gneme, the Vice-Chairman, the Delegations of France, India, Denmark, the United States, Belgium and Canada, and Mr. Millot, Secretary of the Conference, the Assembly decided the following:

The preliminary meetings (appointment of the rapporteurs, organisation of the work, setting up of sub-committees and working groups, if any, etc.) would take place on Tuesday, 11 April, with the following time-table:

Committee 3	at 10 a.m.	)	
" 4	at 11 a.m.	)	at the Palazzo Vecchio
" 5	at 12 noon	)	
" 2	at 4 p.m.	)	
" 6	at 5 p.m.	)	at the Palazzo Strozzi
" 7	at 6 p.m.	)	

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The following meetings would take place on Wednesday,  
12 April:

At 10 a.m. - Committee 3; at 12 noon - the limited group of the Steering Committee; at 4 p.m. - Committee 4. The latter three meetings would also convene at the Palazzo Vecchio.

3. FINAL DATE FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THE TASK LAID DOWN IN PARA. A OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF COMMITTEE 4.

3.1 Following a suggestion by the Delegation of Ceylon, seconded by the Delegation of Switzerland, the Assembly decided to recommend Committee 4 to make every effort to carry out, whilst still in Florence, the task assigned to it in para. A of its terms of reference.

4. SITUATION CREATED BY THE DEPARTURE OF THE U.S.S.R. AND OTHER DELEGATIONS.

4.1 The Delegation of Indonesia, after recalling its statement of the previous day concerning the situation created by the departure of the U.S.S.R. and other delegations (see para.1.2 of the Minutes of the 5th Meeting, Document No.60), said that, although the moment might not have been well chosen for an immediate discussion as to the usefulness of continuing the Conference, an early attempt should be made to ascertain whether any solutions existed to the difficulties thus created. For that reason, the Delegation of Indonesia reserved its right to raise the question in the Implementation Committee.

4.2 The Delegation of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia shared the preoccupation expressed by the Delegation of Indonesia. The speaker recalled in this connection the difficulties recorded since the implementation of the Copenhagen Plan, due to the non-observance of this Plan by certain European stations. It was to be feared that similar difficulties, on a far larger scale, would arise in connection with the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan. The Delegation of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia accordingly urged the Assembly to give the matter very serious consideration.

4.3 The Chairman made a point of assuring the latter speakers that the Assembly fully realised the importance and the seriousness of this problem, which would be examined from all aspects after it had been discussed by the competent committees.

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Before the end of the meeting, the Delegation of the Netherlands asked for the floor and thought that it was expressing the feelings of all the delegations present when it thanked the Chairman for the courtesy and skill with which he had conducted the discussions that had often been difficult. The statement was received with prolonged applause.

Deeply moved by these compliments, the Chairman assured the Assembly that he would make every effort to justify the confidence that had been placed in him.

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The meeting rose at 11:30 a.m.

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Rapporteur:  
Mr. Minutti

Secretary:  
J. Millot

Seen  
Chairman:  
G. Vallauri

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COMMITTEE 4

STATEMENT

BY SUB-GROUP I OF WORKING GROUP 4A

All delegations will be required to supply certain detailed information to Sub-group I of Working Group 4A.

In order to facilitate this work, will delegations please prepare in advance the following information :

1. The details of power, azimuth, antenna gain and minimum and maximum distance for :
  - A. each assignment in the Paris draft plans,
  - B. each additional assignment required.
2. The channels and bands in the Basic Plan to which the assignments or additional channels required in A and B above are related.

If in 1 or 2 above the details of power antenna, etc. or the timing of the programmes required are different from the assignments in the Basic Plan, the changes should be indicated.

Delegations will be advised of the dates and times of the interviews.



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COMMITTEES 3 & 4

I N D O N E S I A

After the transfer of sovereignty by the Dutch on 27 December 1949, the Government of the Independent Republic of the United States of Indonesia thought it necessary to make certain changes to the former Government's plans for national and international broadcasting.

However, when it considered the assignments to Indonesia in the Basic Plan and in the Plans drawn up by the Technical Plan Committee in Paris, received a few weeks after the transfer of sovereignty, the new Government realised that, for the moment, there could be no question of filling the various partly assigned Indonesian broadcasting channels, since that would result in a considerable increase in the number of channel-hours for Indonesia.

On the other hand, however, high frequency broadcasting is the only means whereby the voice of the new nation can be heard all over the vast tropical area, and it is therefore one of its most vital needs. It was consequently with much regret that it saw the transmission periods of the greater part of the Indonesian broadcasting channels had been considerably cut, especially for evening transmissions. For national broadcasting in Indonesia, it is most desirable to have continuously operating channels available instead of a great number of channels which can only be on the air part of the day.

Taking all these considerations into account, the new Government decided on 10 March 1950, to submit to the Florence Conference modified requirements based on the assignments to Indonesia in the T.P.C. Plans, since there seemed to be no other feasible solution. These modified requirements entail further sacrifices, which all countries will have to make for the Conference to be successful, and are consequently to be considered as the minimum requirements essential for high frequency broadcasting in the new independent Republic.

The modifications to the requirements are as follows :

- a) a reduction of the number of broadcasting channels;
- b) a change in the transmission periods, viz. 0600 - 2300, local time instead of 0600 - 0900, 1100 - 1500 and 1700 - 2400, local time;

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and, as a consequence of the smaller number of broadcasting channels :

- c) increased transmitter powers;
- d) a change in the location of the transmitters in some cases; and
- e) minor changes in the minimum and maximum distances of the reception areas.

The figures in Annex I give a comparison between the requirements submitted to the T.P.C., the assignments in the T.P.C. Plans and the modified requirements submitted to this Conference. Further particulars concerning the modified requirements for national and international broadcasting are given in Annexes II and III respectively. They have been submitted in the appropriate way to the Working Groups concerned, since they are a result of circumstances which have arisen since the submission of requirements at Mexico City and Paris, viz. the proclamation of the independence of the Republic of the United States of Indonesia on 27 December 1949.



ANNEX I

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY of the requirements submitted by Indonesia to the Technical Plan Committee in Paris, the assignments to Indonesia in the T.P.C. Plans and the modified Indonesian requirements submitted to the Florence Conference.

Seasons	in the Mc/s bands							
	6	7	9	11	15	17	21	Total
JUNE 40								
TPC requirements	83	54	44	23	2	-	-	206
TPC assignments	76,5	57	41	17	11	1	1,5	205
Modified requirements	72	56	40	13,5	3	-	-	184,5
EQUINOX 40								
TPC requirements	83	58	42	21	2	-	-	206
TPC assignments	68	66,5	32,5	15	6	6,5	1,5	196
Modified requirements	72	56	38	15,5	3	-	-	184,5
DECEMBER 40								
TPC requirements	87	58	42	17	2	-	-	206
TPC assignments	50,5	43	23	21	8	-	2,5	148
Modified requirements	72	60	36	13,5	3	-	-	184,5
JUNE 12								
TPC requirements	72	52	44	21	-	-	-	189
TPC assignments	74	50,5	28	27	9	3,5	-	192
Modified requirements	50,5	52,5	40	16,5	-	-	-	159,5
EQUINOX 12								
TPC requirements	72	56	40	21	-	-	-	189
TPC assignments	48	58	37	20,5	2	2	1,5	169
Modified requirements	50,5	52,5	40	16,5	-	-	-	159,5
DECEMBER 12								
TPC requirements	76	56	38	19	-	-	-	189
TPC assignments	54,5	42	40	16	-	2	1,5	156
Modified requirements	50,5	56,5	36	16,5	-	-	-	159,5

ANNEX II a

INDONESIA

National Broadcasting

Modified requirements for all seasons with solar activity 12.

Pro-grammes	Transmitter location	Reception area	Power in kW	Antenna gain	Distances in Kms.		Freq. band Mc/s	Programme Hours G.M.T.
					Min.	Max.		
P	Djakarta	54	100	omni	0	1500	7	0930 - 1100
	Djakarta	54	50	omni	0	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	54	20	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1400
I	Djakarta	54 Azimuth	20	12	600	2000	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1400
							6	1400 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	Azimuth 80	20	12	1500	3000	11	0200 - 0930
							9	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
J	Djokjakarta	54	25	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1400
K	Surabaja	54	5	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1400
	Makasser	54	25	omni	200	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1400
							6	1400 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
M	Makasser	54	5	omni	200	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1400
							6	1400 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
N	Bukittinggi	54	25	omni	0	1000	7	0300 - 1030
							6	1030 - 1500
O	Medan	54	5	omni	0	1000	7	0300 - 1030
							6	1030 - 1500

ANNEX II b

I N D O N E S I A

National Broadcasting

Modified requirements for all seasons with solar activity 40.

Pro-grammes	Transmitter location	Reception area	Power in kW	Antenna gain	Distances in Kms.		Freq. band Mc/s	Programme Hours G.M.T.
					Min.	Max.		
F	Djakarta	54	100	omni	0	1500	7	0930 - 1100
H	Djakarta	54	50	omni	0	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	54	20	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	54 Azimuth 320	20	12	600	2000	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1400
							6	1400 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	54 Azimuth 80	20	12	1500	3000	11	0200 - 0930
							9	0930 - 1530
							7	2230 - 0200
J	Djokjakarta	54	25	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
K	Surabaja	54	5	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
L	Makasser	54	25	omni	200	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1400
							6	1400 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
M	Makasser	54	5	omni	200	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1400
							6	1400 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
N	Bukittinggi	54	25	omni	0	1000	7	0300 - 1030
							6	1030 - 1630
							6	2330 - 0300
O	Medan	54	5	omni	0	1000	7	0300 - 1030
							6	1030 - 1630
							6	2330 - 0300

ANNEX III

INDONESIA International Broadcasting

Modified requirements.

Pro-grammes	Trans-mitter location	Recep-tion areas	Power in kW	Ant. gain	Distances in Km.		Frequency bands (Mc/s)						Programme hours G.M.T.
					Min.	Max.	June	Eq.	Dec.	June	Eq.	Dec.	
							40			12			
	Djakarta	59 60	100	12	3000	6000	9	11	11	9	9	11	10/12
B	"	44 45 49	100	12	2000	6000	11	11	11	11	11	11	12/13 or 1) 12/14
C	"	41	100	12	3000	6000	15	15	15	11	11	11	13/17 or 1) 14/17
D	"	38 39 40	100	12	6000	10000	11	11	11	11	11	11	16/18 or 2) 16/17
E	"	27	100	12	10000	13000	11	11	7	11	11	7	17/20 or 2) 18/20
F	(cancelled)												
G	Djakarta	6	100	12	13000	16000	9	9	7	9	9	7	14/16

- 1) If 12/13 is assigned for programme B, 13/17 is requested for programme C and if 12/14 is assigned for programme B, 14/17 is requested for programme C.
- 2) If 16/18 is assigned for programme D, 18/20 is requested for programme E and if 16/17 is assigned for programme D, 17/20 is requested for programme E.

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COMMITTEE 2

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Report on the procedure followed and the decisions taken  
with reference to the checking of credentials by the Inter-  
national High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, Mexico, 1948

In accordance with the decision taken by the Credentials Committee during its first meeting on Tuesday, 12 April 1950, the Secretary of the Conference submits for the attention of delegations a report on the procedure followed and decisions taken with reference to the checking of credentials by the Plenary Assembly of the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, Mexico City, 1948. The subjects are classified under the following headings:

I. CREDENTIALS

1. Final Credentials
2. Provisional Credentials

II. MANDATES AND PROXIES

III. SPECIAL CASES

1. Consultative delegate of the United Nations
2. International Frequency Registration Board (I.F.R.B.)
3. UNESCO
4. International Broadcasting Organization (O.I.R.)
5. People's Republic of Outer Mongolia.

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## I. CREDENTIALS

On the recommendation of its Credentials Committee, the Plenary Assembly of the Mexico City Conference adopted the following text, to be found as Annex B to the Committee's report dated 5 November 1948 (Doc. 68):

### "THE INTERNATIONAL HIGH FREQUENCY BROADCASTING CONFERENCE,

Considering that the credentials submitted by various delegations differ in character in that some emanate from the Head of the State, others from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and still others from the Ministry or Administrative Director of the Communications Ministry or Department, the Plenary Assembly recommends that participants in the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference obtain such letters of credentials as are required by the procedure or laws of their respective countries to confer upon them the authority,

- a) to participate in the Conference, and,
- b) at the appropriate time, when the nature of the final documents or acts which the Conference may establish becomes clear, to sign such documents or acts."

The report (Doc. 68) also shows that the Committee received the following documents from delegations and organisations:

#### 1. Final credentials:

- a) Credentials from the Heads of Governments or Ministers of Foreign Affairs, or submitted in their name;
- b) Credentials signed by the Minister of Communications or other similar or competent authorities;
- c) Credentials signed in accordance with the instructions of the Head of the Government or Administration by the Head of the diplomatic mission of various countries accredited to Mexico.

#### 2. Provisional Credentials:

- a) Telegrams from either the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Ministry of Communications.

A note (Doc.31) from the Credentials Committee was distributed on 30 October 1948, and it read as follows:

"Various delegations have submitted credentials in the form of telegrams notifying the participation, and, in certain cases, the composition of the delegations.

Those delegations are requested to submit as soon as possible letters of credence in accordance with the regulations and objects of the Conference, and in conformity with the exigencies and procedures of their several countries."

## II. MANDATES AND PROXIES

In its report, the Committee listed the countries which had sent final and provisional documents and then pointed out certain cases of representation by proxy. The Plenary Assembly, by a vote of 32 to 10 with 12 abstentions, decided that they should be dealt with in the following manner:

"The International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, considering :

1. that the Convention and the General Regulations of Atlantic City do not contain explicit and specific provisions, either authorizing or prohibiting the conferring of mandates on the part of an administration, which cannot participate in the conference either during its entire duration or temporarily, upon a delegation duly accredited by the conference;
2. that certain administrations (Iceland, Iran, Syria) have conferred permanent mandates upon various delegations or members thereof (respectively Denmark, Switzerland, Egypt), and that other administrations (Luxembourg, Portuguese Colonies, etc.) have conferred temporary mandates upon accredited delegations or members thereof (respectively Netherlands, Portugal and others),

Decides:

- a) to accept those credentials of the above delegations which are in order, provided that participation by mandate or proxy is acknowledged to involve participation in the cost of the conference;
- b) to agree that other administrations absent from the conference, who may wish to confer similar mandates, may do so on the same terms;
- c) to exclude the conferring of more than two votes on a given delegation either directly or through any of its members;
- d) to apply strictly Chapter III (3) of the General Regulations (\*) in reference to temporary proxies given by one delegation to another;

(\*) Paragraph 3 of Chapter III of the General Regulations is worded as follows:

"No delegation may exercise the right to vote until its credentials are declared to be in order by the special committee referred to above."

- e) to refer the questions of principle involved in this matter to the consideration of the Administrative Council at its next session, with the reservation that the above decisions do not prejudice the ultimate solution of the problem. (\*\*)"

### III. SPECIAL CASES

#### 1. Consultative delegate of the United Nations

Paragraph 1 of Article 2 of the Agreement between the United Nations and the I.T.U. lays down that:

"The United Nations shall be invited to send representatives to participate, without vote, in the deliberations of all the Plenipotentiary and Administrative Conferences of the Union".

The status of the consultative delegate from the United Nations is thus defined, and the Credentials Committee therefore considered that neither it nor the Plenary Assembly were called upon to take any decision.

#### 2. International Frequency Registration Board (I.F.R.B.)

Chapter 1, paragraph 6 of the General Regulations annexed to the Atlantic City Convention lays down that:

"Any permanent organ of the International Telecommunication Union shall be admitted, as of right, to the Conference and take part in its work in an advisory capacity".

Also, Chapter 2, paragraph 7 of the General Regulations extends the application of this provision to Administrative conferences.

The Committee therefore considered that, here again, neither it nor the Plenary Assembly was called upon to take any decision.

#### 3. UNESCO

Paragraph 6 of Chapter 2 of the General Regulations annexed to the I.T.U. Convention reads:

(\*\*) After discussing the problem, the Administrative Council asked the Secretary General of the Union to submit a report to the 5th Session (Doc.No.566/CA 4/37 - 4th Session, 37th Meeting, 2 October, 1949).



"Any admission of other international organizations to a conference shall be subject to a decision of the conference itself; taken at the first session of the Plenary Assembly".

As recommended by the Credentials Committee, the Plenary Assembly decided to admit the representative from UNESCO as an observer.

4. O.I.R. (International Broadcasting Organization).

This organization asked to be allowed to contribute towards the work of the Conference, as an expert organization, by distributing certain technical documents.

The Credentials Committee decided to grant this request and to accept the documents as those of an expert organization for the technical information of those taking part in the Conference.

5. People's Republic of Outer Mongolia

On 8 November 1948 (see Doc.142), the Plenary Assembly agreed to admit as observers to the Conference the representatives of the People's Republic of Outer Mongolia.

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HORAIRE DES SEANCES

du mardi 18 au lundi 24 avril 1950

En regard de Lundi 24 soir, au lieu de: S.C. 4 (technique) A,  
lire: Commission 4 A.

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Against Monday 24, afternoon, in stead of: S.C. 4 (Technical) A,  
read: Committee 4 A

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HORARIO DE SESIONES

para el período comprendido entre el martes 18 y el  
lunes 24 de abril de 1950



En la columna correspondiente al lunes 24, por la tarde. Sustitúyase:

S.C. 4 (Técnica) A por  
Comisión 4 A

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COMMITTEE I

TIME TABLE OF MEETINGS

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afternoon.

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COMMITTEE 1

TIME TABLE OF MEETINGS

from Tuesday 18 to Monday 24 April 1950

Morning (10 a.m.)			Evening (4 p.m.)	
		Room		Room
Tuesday 18	W.G. 5A	A	Committee 4	A
	W.G. 4A - SG 3	3	W.G. 3A	1
	W.G. 4A - SG 1	4	W.G. 3B	2
Wednesday 19	S.G. 4 (technical)	A	W.G. 5A	A
	W.G. 3A	1	W.G. 3A	1
	W.G. 3B	2	W.G. 3B	2
Thursday 20	W.G. 3A	A	W.G. 5A	A
	W.G. 3B	2	W.G. 3A	1
			W.G. 3B	2
			W.G. 4A - SG 3	3
Friday 21	Committee 1 limited group (9.30)	1	W.G. 4A	A
	Committee 3	A	W.G. 3A	1
			W.G. 3B	2
Saturday 22	S.C. 4 (technical)	A	S.C. 4 (technical)	A
	W.G. 3 A	1	W.G. 3 A	1
	W.G. 3 B	2	W.G. 3 B	2
Monday 24	Committee 2	A	S.C. 4 (technical)	A
	W.G. 3A	1	W.G. 3A	1
	W.G. 3 B.	2	W.G. 3B	2

Note : W.G. = Working Group  
S.G. = Sub-Group  
S.C. = Sub-Committee



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IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Report of the Second Meeting  
held on 13th April, 1950

Chairman: Mr. Fryer (United Kingdom)  
1st Vice -Chairman: Mr. Otterman (United States of America)  
2nd Vice -Chairman: Mr. Kenna (Australie)

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 4.5 p.m. As the Minutes of the first meeting were not then available, discussion of these was deferred to a subsequent meeting.
2. The Chairman suggested that, in accordance with the decisions taken at the first meeting, the Committee should proceed to a general discussion of Conference Document No. 3, which contained the report prepared by the Chairman of the I.F.R.B. in collaboration with the Director and Vice-Director of the C.C.I.R. This being agreed, he invited Mr. J.A. Gracie, Chairman of the I.F.R.B., to introduce the report and give the Committee such explanations and supplementary information as he thought desirable.
3. Mr. Gracie then introduced Document No. 3. The substance of Mr. Gracie's statement is given in the Annex to the present report.
4. After the statement by Mr. Gracie there was a general discussion in which the Delegates of Canada, Pakistan, the United Kingdom, Mexico and Egypt took part, while Mr. Gracie answered various questions put to him. Amongst other matters, Mr. Gracie mentioned that a very tentative estimate of the cost of carrying out the functions given in Annex I to the Mexico City Agreement led to figures, which he quoted with every reservation, of approximately 400,000 Swiss francs per annum, plus 200,000 Swiss francs for initial establishment.
5. The Committee next turned its attention to the question of the action that should be taken in the light of Document No. 3 and the discussion thereon. It was agreed to establish a single Working Group, Working Group 5A, with the following terms of reference:

"To prepare information indicating the specific nature of the duties which the Organisation entrusted with the Implementation of the Plan would have to perform in carrying out the list of functions given in Annex I to the Mexico City Agreement, which could eventually serve as a basis for preparing estimates of the expenses that will be incurred in implementing the Plan."

6. The Chairman then proposed the Delegate of Portugal as Chairman of the working group. This proposal was adopted with acclamation. It was further agreed that the membership of the group would be as follows:

Portugal	Chairman
Canada	
United States	
France	
Israel	
Italy	
Mexico	
United Kingdom	

7. The Committee next agreed that it was desirable:

"To study the question of whether the dates and timing for the seasonal frequency changes can be determined by the present Conference and, if so, to make appropriate recommendations. Subsequently, to study the question of the sunspot numbers at which changes should be made from one set of phases of the plan to another and, if possible, to fix the dates at which such changes should take place."

8. It was agreed that the Chairman should communicate the questions referred to above to the Chairman of Committee 4 asking him to transmit them, for study, to the Technical Sub-Committee of Committee 4.

9. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7 p.m.

J. Siller  
Reporter

P.W.F. Fryer  
Chairman

A N N E X

Statement by Mr. J.A. Gracie, Chairman of the I.F.R.B.

Mr. Gracie, having been called upon to introduce Document No. 3, said that he did not think he needed to add very much at this stage to this document other than to inform the members of the Conference that the Resolution which they sent forward to the Administrative Council from Mexico City was fully considered by the Administrative Council and, in the course of that consideration, the I.F.R.B. were invited, in consultation with the Directorate of the C.C.I.R., to submit proposals under which the I.F.R.B. might undertake the implementation of the High Frequency Broadcasting Plan. The Council, in requesting the I.F.R.B. to submit such a paper, had indicated that it would be desirable that they should undertake this implementation even although some of the functions which were suggested at Mexico City were not strictly within the statutes of the I.F.R.B. as defined in the Radio Regulations. As a result a paper, in a slightly different form, was submitted to the Council; it was debated at considerable length and a few changes were made, the final document being that now reproduced as C.I.R.A.F. Document No. 3.

The position was therefore as follows: The I.F.R.B. and Directorate of the C.C.I.R. were prepared to do everything in their power to forward the general aims of the Union and, in this particular case, to try to assist to their utmost in securing the orderly functioning of high frequency broadcasting services. For this, if requested to undertake this duty, they would need to be given certain additional resources which they did not at the moment possess. These were briefly as follows:

First the I.F.R.B. would have to be given the full collaboration of all members of the Union in the way of supplying all necessary data about the operation of their high frequency broadcasting services.

The second essential was the assistance of all the monitoring stations referred to in Article 18 of the General Regulations (under this article members of the Union agreed to collaborate in the establishment of an international monitoring service). Without the assistance of such a service, which could only be provided by the administrations and by the various specialised organisations and agencies which conducted this monitoring, the I.F.R.B. could not efficiently discharge its task and secure the accurate implementation of the plan and the protection of frequencies from harmful interference.

The third essential was the question of money. As members of the Committee were aware the Union had two budgets, the extraordinary budget for special functions, such as this Conference, and the ordinary budget which provided for the permanent organs of the Union and for which a ceiling was set at Atlantic City by the Plenipotentiary Conference for the period prior to the Buenos Aires Conference. The amount of money available under that ceiling had been proved to be inadequate to give to all the permanent organs all the staff which was considered to be necessary for the efficient discharge of their normal duties. Hence the cost of any additional functions which might be entrusted



to the I.F.R.B., in association with the C.C.I.R. and the Secretary General, such as those in the field of high frequency broadcasting, could not be met out of the ordinary budget and would therefore have to be the subject of a special vote of funds by the countries who wished the I.F.R.B. to assume these functions,

As a result, it appeared to the I.F.R.B. and to the Administrative Council that the easiest way to solve all difficulties, if the Conference wished the I.F.R.B. to undertake this duty, would be for this Conference to enter into a formal agreement with the I.F.R.B. under which the Conference would undertake to place at the disposal of the I.F.R.B. the various essential resources such as those mentioned above. The I.F.R.B., in collaboration with the Directorate of the C.C.I.R. and the Secretary General, would then, on their part, undertake to carry out such functions within their power as the Conference might decide to entrust to them.

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COMMITTEE 3

REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting

Thursday, 13 April 1950

The meeting opened at 10 a.m. with Mr. L. Daumard (France) in the chair, assisted by the Vice-chairmen, Mr. H.J. Schippers (Indonesia) and Mr. J.A. Lopez (Venezuela).

1. Formation of the working group 3 B

1.1 Terms of reference. Following terms accepted:

"To consider requirements submitted in special cases by countries such as Israel, Jordan and Yemen, who were unable to make their needs known at the time of the Mexico City Conference; to analyse these requirements; and to make a report to Committee 3 by April 28th at the latest. In the course of its work the Group will conduct all necessary interviews".

1.2 Composition of the Group:

Chairman - New Zealand  
Denmark  
Belgian Congo  
Indonesia  
Uruguay  
Venezuela

1.3 Modification of terms of reference:

Reference Portuguese Document No 5 concerning classification of requirements for guidance of working groups.

Decided: working groups should study proposal of Portuguese Delegation and report there on to Committee 3 for possible modification of terms of reference.

2. Palestine requirements:  
Reference Egypt Document No 31.

2.1 Matter decided as follows :

- a) Document 31 will be examined by the working group, if submitted to it by Chairman of the Conference.
- b) No authority in Committee 3 to decide whether requirements are justified.



- c) Chairman of Committee 3 will direct a note to the Chairman of the Conference indicating the question has been raised in Committee 3 which did not consider itself authorized to take up the matter.

3. Groups 3 A and 3 B convened for preliminary sessions at 11:15 and 12 noon respectively.

4. The meeting closed at 10:45 a.m.

Rapporteurs:

B.P. Gordon  
L. Sponzilli .

Chairman :  
L. Darnard.

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REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE

Report of the Fourth Meeting  
Saturday, 15 April 1950

The Chairman, M. Daumard (France) opened the meeting at 10 a.m., assisted by Mr. H.J. Schippers (Indonesia) and Mr. J.A. Lopez (Venezuela), Vice-Chairman.

1. The reports of the first meeting (Document 45) and the second meeting (Document 46) were approved, with the addition of the name of the English Rapporteur, Mr. B.P. Gordon.
2. The Chairman announced that he had sent the annexed letter to the Chairman of the Conference; it concerned the proposal that the Delegate of Israel had submitted at the third meeting of the Committee, to the effect that :

"New requirements submitted by countries can be taken into consideration only if they are submitted by the competent Administrations of the countries in question."

3. Terms of Reference for Group 3-A

3.1 Group reported difficulty through lack of precise terms of reference, and definition of the term "modified requirements", with reference to Document 46.

3.2 Following extended discussions participated in by Delegates of France, United Kingdom, India, Netherlands, Belgium, Pakistan, Indonesia, Egypt, Portugal, Colombia, and Canada, specific new terms of reference were drawn up.

3.3 Final terms of reference as follows :

"To examine the requirements aiming at modification of the basic plan of Mexico City submitted as a result of recent circumstances which have arisen since the original requirements were submitted in Mexico, to analyse these requirements, to summarize and assess the arguments put forward in writing by countries in support of these new requirements and to submit a report to Committee 3 by April 25th at the latest. During its work, the Group may interview individual delegations should this prove necessary."

4. Redraft of Document 47

4.1 French delegate presented a proposal for changing text of certain paragraphs in Document 47. The United Kingdom delegate outlined a detailed text for paragraphs 3 and 4.

4.2 Discussion ensued participated in principally by France, United Kingdom, India, Netherlands, Belgium, and Pakistan delegates.

4.3 Results: Document 47 completely superseded.  
Following text finally adopted in lieu thereof :

"Committee 3 confirms the terms of reference of Working Group 3-A as modified in this meeting of Committee 3 and makes it clear that requirements which it has to examine are the following :

1. Requirements of countries which, having previously presented requirements and having received assignments in the Basic Plan :

a) have accepted the Basic Plan, but consider that amendments to this Basic Plan have become necessary in so far as they are concerned, in view of circumstances that have arisen since the submission of requirements at the Mexico City Conference;

b) have not accepted the Basic Plan, and consider it necessary to submit now new requirements in view of circumstances that have arisen since the submission of their requirements in Mexico City.

2. Submissions made by countries in accordance with Document 32 will be related by Group 3-A to Basic Plan of Mexico City and will, if not already so marked, be annotated in agreement with Delegations so concerned by the Group to show (a) deletions, (b) additions, (c) modifications (exchange of one channel hour for another in the same or different band, etc.).

3. The Committee recommends that such delegations as find it necessary to make submissions should do so graphically on Forms A as used at Mexico City with additional space for remarks in fulfilment of the preceding paragraph.

Alternatively these submissions will be entered on Forms A by the Group if made available in another form more convenient to the country concerned."

5. New date of April 19th set up as the final date for submission of requirements.

The meeting rose at 1 p.m.

Rapporteurs:

B.P. Gordon  
L. Sponzilli

Chairman:

L. Daumard

ANNEX

Letter from the Chairman of Committee 3 to the Chairman of the Conference

Florence, 13.4.1950

Dear Sir,

At the third meeting of Committee 3, the Delegate of Israel requested the Committee to take the following decision :

"New requirements submitted by countries can be taken into consideration only if they are submitted by the competent Administrations of the countries in question."

In this proposal the Delegate of Israel was alluding to the requirements for Palestine submitted by Egypt (Document 31). The Chairman of Committee 3 felt bound to reply that it was not for his Committee to reach a decision on the matter, which was the province of the Plenary Assembly of the Conference alone. This opinion was supported by the majority of the Committee and it was agreed that a note to this effect should be sent to the Chairman of the Conference.

The Committee also decided that under its terms of reference its role should be limited to the consideration of requirements referred to it by the Chair.

I should therefore be very grateful if, for the sake of good order, you would kindly refer to Committee 3 those requirements which you judge should be considered by the Committee.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

L. DAUMARD  
Chairman of Committee 3.

Dn/Vt

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Addendum No. 1 to  
Document No. 70-E  
25 April 1950.

Terms of Reference of Sub-Committees,  
Working Groups and Sub-Groups  
on 25 April 1950

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After : Technical Sub-Committee add :

Working Group No. 1 of the Technical Sub-Committee

(Set up on 22 April)

To rectify the few errors that were noticed by the T.P.C. in the existing field strength curves; to make available to the Conference modified charts of these circuits as well as any missing OWF and field strength charts.

Working Group No. 2 of the Technical Sub-Committee

(Set up on 24 April)

To draft, in the spirit of the practically unanimous opinion reached in the Technical Sub-Committee, a recommendation on the seasonal changeovers from one phase of the plan to the subsequent phase, and to recommend specific times and dates for such changeovers.

To draft recommendations on the sunspot solar indices to be used in the various plans, taking into consideration document No. 1 of the T.P.C., Paris (proposal of the United Kingdom and France) as well as other documents submitted to the Conference on that subject.

It is left to the discretion of the Working Group to decide for itself the order in which the above problems will be taken up.



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TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE SUB-COMMITTEES,

GROUPS AND SUB-GROUPS

18 April 1950

COMMITTEE 1 (Steering)

Limited group: to prepare the agenda of the Plenary Assemblies and the time-tables of the Committee, Sub-Committee and Working Group meetings; also to assure coordination between Committees.

COMMITTEE 2 (Credentials)

None.

COMMITTEE 3 (Requirements)

Group 3 A: to examine the requirements aiming at modification of the basic plan of Mexico City submitted as a result of recent circumstances which have arisen since the original requirements were submitted in Mexico, to analyse these requirements, to summarize and assess the arguments put forward in writing by countries in support of these new requirements and to submit a report to Committee 3 by April 25th at the latest. During its work, the Group may interview individual delegations should this prove necessary (Doc. 69).

Group 3 B: to consider requirements submitted in special cases of countries such as Israel, Jordan, and Yemen, who were unable to make their needs known at the time of the Mexico City Conference; to analyse these requirements; and to make a report to Committee 3 by April 28th at the latest. In the course of its work the Group will conduct all necessary interviews (Doc. 68).

COMMITTEE 4 (Phases of the Plan)

Technical Sub-Committee: to consider specific technical questions relating to the preparation of the Plan (Doc. 44).

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Group 4 A : to review the Final Report of the T.P.C. and to analyse the written comments received from the delegations. The Group shall obtain any necessary data by means of interviews with the delegations and shall complete its work within the time limit stipulated by the Committee (Doc. 44).

Sub-Group 1 : to record oral observations by delegates of countries that have submitted comments on the 6 phases of the Plan.

Sub-Group 2 : to submit to the Sub-Group proposals concerning bilateral agreements.

Sub-Group 3 : to consider the question of the "general pattern of distribution".

COMMITTEE 5 : (Implementation)

Group 5 A : to prepare information indicating the specific nature of the duties which the Organization entrusted with the Implementation of the Plan would have to perform in carrying out the list of functions given in Annex I to the Mexico City Agreement, which could eventually serve as a basis for preparing estimates of the expenses that will be incurred in implementing the Plan (Doc. 43).

COMMITTEE 6 : (Drafting)

None.

COMMITTEE 7 : (Budget Control)

None.

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Addendum No.1 to  
Document No.71-E  
25 April 1950

List of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen  
of Committees, Sub-Committees, Working  
Groups and Sub-Groups  
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COMMITTEE 4

(Phases of the Plan Committee)

Add :

Chairman

Working Group No.1 of the  
Technical Sub-Committee

(correction of O.W.F.  
and field curves)

J.W.HERBSTREIT (U.S.A.).

Working Group No.2 of the  
Technical Sub-Committee

(Transition from one phase  
of the Plan to another)

M.MENEZES (Portugal)



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of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen  
of Committees, Sub-Committees, Working Groups  
and Sub-Groups

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COMMITTEE 1  
(Steering)

Vice-Chairmen :

Instead of :

G. Gneme (Italy)

L. Sacco (Italy)

read :

J.P. BARRINGER (Territories of the USA)

Z.A. BOKHARI (Pakistan)

COMMITTEE 4  
(Phases of the Plan)

Chairman :

Instead of :

C. Arboleda

Read :

C.E. ARBOLEDA

Vice-Chairman :

Instead of :

K. Chandra

Read :

M.L. SASTRY

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List of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen  
of Committees, Sub-Committees, Working Groups and Sub-Groups  
on 17 April 1950

	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Vice-Chairmen</u>	<u>Rapporteurs</u>
<u>COMMITTEE 1</u> (Steering)	G. Vallauri (Italy)	G. Gneme (Italy)  L. Sacco (Italy)	
<u>COMMITTEE 2</u> (Credentials)	R.J. Milans (Uruguay)	E.H.R. Green (New Zealand)  E. Metzler (Switzerland)	B.P. Gordon (U.S.A.)
<u>COMMITTEE 3</u> (Requirements)	L. Daumard (France)	H.J. Schippers (Indonesia)  J.A. Lopez (Venezuela)	B.P. Gordon (U.S.A.)  L. Sponzilli (Italy)
<u>GROUP 3 A</u> (Modified Requirements)	R.H. Cairns (Canada)		
<u>GROUP 3 B</u> (New Requirements)	E.H.R. Green (New Zealand)		
<u>COMMITTEE 4</u> (Phases of the Plan)	C. Arboleda (Colombia)	K. Chandra (India)  H. Leotte (Portugal)	Miss J.M. Gilbert (U.S.A.)  G. Pointeau (France)

	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Vice-Chairmen</u>	<u>Rapporteurs</u>
Technical Sub-Committee M. L. Sastry (consideration of (India) technical questions relating to the prepara- tion of the Plan)			
Group 4 A (review of the Final report by the TPC)	E. Metzler (Switzerland)		
Sub-Group 1 (consideration of observations on the 6 phases of the Plan)	F. Axon (United Kingdom)		
Sub-Group 2 (Bilateral Agreements)	E.H.R. Green (New Zealand)		
Sub-Group 3 (general pattern of distribution)	M. L. Sastry (India)		
<u>COMMITTEE 5</u> (Implementation)	P.W. Fryer (United Kingdom)	H.B. Otterman (U.S.A.)  V.F. Kenna (Australia)	Miss J. Siller (United Kingdom)
<u>GROUP 5 A</u> (estimate of expenses incurred in imple- menting the Plan)	H. Leotte (Portugal)		
<u>COMMITTEE 6</u> (Drafting)	R. Henderickx (Belgium)		
<u>COMMITTEE 7</u> (Budget control)	Anis el Bardai (Egypt)		

ROYALME UNI.

DATES AND TIMING OF PHASES OF THE PLAN

This paper is to put forward suggestions on certain of the points raised in the question submitted by Committee 5 to the Technical Group of Committee 4.

Operating experience from the United Kingdom suggests that it should be possible to effect orderly introduction of the various phases of a plan in a somewhat simpler manner and at less cost than that detailed in Annex I of the Mexico City Plan.

This paper is to suggest means for such introduction and simplification of procedure.

1. An examination of the average propagation curves and experience over many years of short wave broadcasting shows that Winter and Summer conditions persist for longer periods than do Equinox conditions. It has been found that Winter and Summer normally last for about 4 1/2 months each while Equinox conditions persist for about 6 weeks in the Spring and Autumn. It is suggested therefore that the Winter and Summer periods should each be approximately 4 1/2 months long and the Equinox periods each approximately 1 1/2 month long.
2. Experience in the BBC over many years has shown that there is a very considerable consistency in the seasonal changes of propagation conditions and the best dates chosen for the changes from one season to another have always turned out to be within very close limits for a particular season. If it were possible to take advantage of this and to fix the date of the seasonal changes well in advance it would be of very great value to the organisations engaged in broadcasting. Accordingly it is suggested that the seasons should be as defined below with the addition that the time of change should be as specified in a later paragraph.

Winter season to start on the Sunday morning nearest to 26th October	
April equinox " " " " " " " " " " " "	to 7th March.
Summer season " " " " " " " " " " " "	to 25th April
Autumn equinox " " " " " " " " " " " "	to 7th September.



3. It is desirable that the world wide change of frequency involved by the seasonal change should take place at a time when the world wide level of broadcasting activity is at its lowest. It is believed that this is so between the hours of 0900-1100 GMT and it is suggested that the seasonal changes referred to in paragraph 2 above should take place at 1000 hours GMT.
4. In order to permit the transfer of channels from one user to another it is suggested that a channel hour should be defined as follows:

- (a) When the frequency continues with the same user beyond the 60 minute period it should be a full 60 minutes.
- (b) When the frequency is to be transferred to another user the channel hour should be 55 minutes only, to last from the hour to 55 minutes past the hour in order to ensure that adequate time is given to the new user to take over his frequency and to ensure no mutual interference.

5. In accordance with 4 above the general transfer of frequencies as well as the seasons would take place between 0955 GMT and 1000 GMT on the dates specified.

6. It has been considered whether it would be possible to effect a simplification of the plans by adopting a two season year instead of a four season year. This possibility is suggested by the fact that the length of the Equinox periods appears to be relatively short. An examination, however, of a large number of typical circuits operated from area 27 to various parts of the world shows that by continuing the December frequencies to the middle of the Equinox period would involve a very serious loss of circuit time which would vary in the various directions from approximately 30 per cent up to nearly 100 per cent and would have an average of the order of 44 per cent. Similarly to take the June frequencies into use at too early a period would result in similar losses. These findings confirm the accuracy of the initial planning of the frequency plans and that it is necessary to ensure that throughout the year four seasons are envisaged. This will give the maximum efficiency to the broadcasting services and will also enable the maximum use to be made of the limited channel hours available.

T.C. RAPP

United Kingdom Delegation.

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COMMITTEE 3.

I N D O N E S I A

For the reasons mentioned in Document N°64,  
the minimum requirements essential for high frequency broadcasting in Indonesia are also valid for the Basic Plan (June 70).

The corresponding particulars are given in the Annexes to the present Document.

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A N N E X I

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY of the voluntary reduced requirements submitted by Indonesia during the Mexico City Conference, the assignments to Indonesia in the Basic Plan and the modified requirements for June 70 submitted to the Florence Conference.

Basic Plan June 70	in the Mc/s bands							Total
	6	7	9	11	15	17	21	
Voluntary reduced Mexico City requirements	119	57	32	36	14,5	3	-	261,5
Mexico City assignments	76,5	57	32	28	9	4	1,5	208
Modified requirements	61,5	63	35,5	17,5	2	5	-	184,5

A N N E X II

I N D O N E S I A.      National Broadcasting

M o d i f i e d      requirements for June 70

Programmes	Transmitter location	Reception area	Power in kW	Antenna gain	Distances Kms		Freq. bands Mc/s	Program. hours G.M.T.
					Min.	Max.		
P	Djakarta	54	100	omni	0	1500	7	0930 - 1100
H	Djakarta	54	50	omni	0	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	54	20	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	54	20	12	600	2000	9	0200 - 0930
		Azimuth					7	0930 - 1530
		320					6	2230 - 0200
I	Djakarta	54	20	12	1500	3000	11	0200 - 1530
		Azimuth					9	2230 - 0200
J	Djokjakarta	54	25	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
K	Surabaja	54	5	omni	0	1000	7	0200 - 0930
							6	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
L	Makasser	54	25	omni	200	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
M	Makasser	54	5	omni	200	1500	9	0200 - 0930
							7	0930 - 1530
							6	2230 - 0200
N	Bukittinggi	54	25	omni	0	1000	7	0300 - 1030
							6	1030 - 1630
							6	2330 - 0300
O	Medan	54	5	omni	0	1000	7	0300 - 1030
							6	1030 - 1630
							6	2330 - 0300

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A N N E X    I I I

I N D O N E S I A . International Broadcasting

M o d i f i e d requirements for June 70

Pro-gram-mes	Transmitter location	Reception area	Power in kW	Ant. gain	Distances in Kms		Freq bands Mc/s	Programme hours G.M.T
					Min.	Max.		
A	Djakarta	59 60	100	12	3000	6000	9	1000- 1200
B	Djakarta	44 45 49	100	12	2000	6000	15	1200- 1300 or 1) 1200- 1400
C	Djakarta	41	100	12	3000	6000	17	1300- 1700 or 1) 1400- 1700
D	Djakarta	38 39 40	100	12	6000	10000	17	1600- 1800 or 2) 1600- 1700
E	Djakarta	27	100	12	10000	13000	11	1700- 2000 or 2) 1800- 2000
F	(cancelled)							
G	Djakarta	6	100	12	13000	16000	11	1400- 1600

1) If 1200/1300 is assigned for programme B, 1300/1700 is requested for programme C and if 1200/1400 is assigned for programme B, 1400/1700 is requested for programme C.

2) If 1600/1800 is assigned for programme D, 1800/2000 is requested for programme E and if 1600/1700 is assigned for programme D, 1700/2000 is requested for programme E.

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COMMITTEE 4

N I C A R A G U A

Request for modifications and additions to the  
channel-hours proposed by the T.P.C. for Nicaragua

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The P.T.T. Administration of Nicaragua has noted with regret that the channel-hours proposed by the T.P.C. for its high frequency stations are not sufficient to satisfy the essential needs of its broadcasting services.

It therefore requests that the T.P.C. proposals be modified as shown in the attached table, the object of which is to ensure sufficient number of transmitting hours for each of the assigned frequencies. Furthermore, it requests that Nicaragua should be assigned transmission time on 15,215 Mc/s for all seasons of the solar cycle and not merely for December 40.

This request was submitted in Mexico, but seems to have been forgotten.

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N I C A R A G U A

Phase of the Plan	Frequency (kc/s)	Power	T.P.C. assignments G.M.T.	Modifications requested G.M.T.
June 12	5,965	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	6,055	5 - 10	14 - 18	Increase by 4 hours: 12 - 14 and 18 - 20
	6,065	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	15,215	5	---	Assign hours: 12 - 23
Equinox 12	5,965	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	5,995	1 - 5	---	Assign 4½ hours 00 - 04.30
	6,015	1 - 5	12 - 22	Increase by 2 hours: 22 - 24
	6,065	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	11,705	1 - 5	12 - 04	(Transfer hours: 12 - 04
	7,715	1 - 5	---	(from frequency 11,705 and modify
	15,215	5	---	(to 21 - 06 on frequency 9,715
December 12	5,965	1 - 5	14 - 19	Increase by 2 hours: 12 - 14
	5,995	1 - 5	23 - 01	Assign hours: 22 - 04.30
	6,065	1 - 5	13 - 18	Increase by 2 hours: 12 - 13 and 18 - 19
	6,095	1 - 5	03 - 06	(Transfer hours: 00 - 05
	6,185	1 - 5	---	(to frequency 6.185
	15,215	5	---	Assign hours: 12 - 23
June 40	5,965	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	6,055	5 - 10	12 - 06	(Transfer 05 - 06 from frequency
	11,815	1 - 5	12 - 23 and 04 - 07	(6,055 to frequency 11,815 at 03 - 04
	6,065	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	15,215	5	---	Assign hours: 12 - 23
Equinox 40	5,965	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	6,065	1 - 5	12 - 17	Increase by 2 hours: 17 - 19
	11,795	1 - 5	12 - 04	(Transfer hours 12 - 04 from
	9,715	1 - 5	---	(frequency 11,795 and modify to 12 - 05 on frequency 9,715
	11,885	5	14 - 23	(Transfer hours 14 - 23 from
	11,815	5	---	(frequency 11,885 to frequency 11,815
	11,905	5	03 - 06	(Transfer hours 03 - 06 from
	11,815	5	---	(frequency 11,905 to frequency 11,815

Phase of the Plan	Frequency (kc/s)	Power	T.P.C. assignments G.M.T.	Modifications requested G.M.T.
Equinox 40	15,215	5	—	Assign hours 12-23
December 40	5,965	1 - 5	13 - 18	Increase by 2 hours: 12 - 13 and 18 - 19
	5,995	1 - 5	—	Assign hours 21-04.30
	5,985	1 - 5	12 - 21	( Transfer hours 12-21 from fre- quency 5,985 to frequency 6,015 and add 21-03 thereto.
	6,015	1 - 5	—	Assign hours 06-14
	6,065	1 - 5	—	Assign hours 00-04
	6,185	1 - 5	13,30-20	Transfer to frequency 6,015
	9,655	1 - 5	03 - 06	Transfer to frequency 9,715
	9,735	1 - 5	00 - 04	Assign hours 20-06
	11,815	1 - 5	—	

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Document No 75-E  
18 april 1950

COMMITTEE 3

S Y R I A

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Syrian Delegation :

"The Chairman,  
High Frequency Broadcasting Conference,  
Florence.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that no justification has been given to the corrections in reception areas mentioned in Document No. 51 F. as these were printing errors in the Mexico City Plan and we thought that this may be corrected at this stage. I also note here that there is another printing error in the French text of Document No. 51 F. ('Les zones 33' should read 'Les zones 38', third line of paragraph a.) The English copy is correct.

I remain, Sir,

Yours very truly,

18th April, 1950

(M.R. Hamza)  
for Syrian Delegation "

Dn/Vt

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Document No 76-E  
18 April 1950

COMMITTEE 4

C A N A D A

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Canadian Delegation :

"The Chairman,  
International High Frequency  
Broadcasting Conference  
Florence, Italy.

April 18, 1950

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the attached list of errors made in the designation of transmitter locations and reception zones in certain assignments to Canada in the Basic Plan of Mexico City.

The Conference in Mexico City was informed of these errors during the drafting of the Basic Plan. Following the distribution to Administrations of the Mexico City Basic Plan, the more serious errors were formally brought to the attention of the T.P.C. through the Secretary General of the Union.

Although the correct transmitter location zones and reception zones were shown in the Canadian requirements submitted to the T.P.C., nevertheless these errors have been carried into the six draft plans produced by the T.P.C. All errors in reception zones have been pointed out in our comments on the T.P.C. draft plans.

Since some of these errors adversely affect programming and protection ratios, the Canadian Delegation requests that they be corrected in the plans drafted by this Conference.

Yours sincerely,

(J.B.C. Watkins)  
Head of the Delegation of Canada.





C A N A D A

Errors in the designation of transmitter locations and reception zones in  
Mexico City Basic Plan

	Band (Mc.)	Channel No.	Frequency	Time (GMT)	Correction
a)	6	11	6055	1200-2200	Insert transmitter location zone (9).
b)	9	3	9525	0800-1100	Add reception zones 62, 63.
c)	9	5	9545	1230-2400	Insert transmitter location zone (9). Delete reception zone 8.
d)	9	18	9675	1200-0500	Insert transmitter location zone (3).
e)	11	15	11845	0500-1130	Add reception zones 51, 55, 65.
f)	11	21	11905	1400-1900	Insert transmitter location zone (4). Add reception zone 3.
g)	11	21	11905	2200-0500	Change transmitter location from zone (3) to zone (4). Add reception zone 3.
h)	15	2	15115	0500-0700	Change reception zones from 11, 12 to read 56, 60, 62, 63.
i)	15	9	15185	1200-1500	Change reception zone 53 to read 27.
j)	15	9	15185	2300-2400	Delete reception zones 13, 15. Add reception zone 16.
k)	15	9	15185	0000-0300	Delete reception zone 10. Add reception zones 14, 16.
l)	17	17	17865	1800-2000	Add reception zones 52, 53.

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Document No. 77-E  
20 April 1950

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the United Nations representative :

Florence, 19 April 1950

To the Chairman of the Conference

Sir,

I have the honour to send you herewith a supplement to the Comments on the ~~phases~~ of the plan as worked out at Paris and already presented to the Conference.

It concerns more especially the request for the increase of one frequency hour in the phase Equinox 12. This hour is the following :

1700 G.M.T. - 1800 G.M.T. frequency 11 Mc/s (see Channel 24)

This hour is very important in order to secure the continuity of the service which is broadcasting the General Assembly session which generally takes place in the Equinox periods.

Yours very sincerely,

G.F. Van Dissel  
United Nations Delegation

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COMMITTEE 4

REPORT OF SUB-WORKING GROUP 3 OF WORKING GROUP 4 A

Working Group 4 A in its second session on 17th April 1950 entrusted sub-working group 3 with the study of and recommendations on the terms of reference contained in paras c, d and e of para IV, page 29 of the Mexico City Agreement.

After a detailed study of the directives referred to above, the sub-group unanimously makes the following recommendations:

1. The numerical total of channel hours assigned to a country does not indicate the real or comparative satisfaction assured to that country.
2. On any plans that will be drawn up in addition to the basic plan, each of the significant periods (from the point of view of peak listening time in the various parts of the world) should be considered separately and, as far as possible and practicable, equal percentage of satisfaction should be afforded to the various conceiving administrations. The sub-group considers that the above point is of paramount importance in, and must be the starting point for the preparation of any additional plans.

Details of such significant periods in each of the High Frequency Broadcasting Band for each of the band will be worked out after the underlying principle is agreed to. In order to facilitate this task, sub-working group suggests that Working Group 4 A studies and publishes as soon as possible the band loading charts based on recent requirements collected by Sub-working Group I.

3. Delegations, if they so desire, shall be given the option of partially or completely shifting any of their requirements from periods or bands of heavy loading to less loaded times or bands.
4. Delegations should indicate, when reductions are being made, whether such reductions should be applied to the duration of the programmes or to the number of simultaneous transmissions in the case of their various circuits.
5. After the stage mentioned above, the total satisfaction assured to each country should be brought to as equal a measure as is possible without decreasing the satisfaction to any country in the peak periods but by assigning additional hours to countries with low percentage of satisfaction provided that such hours are available and provided that the countries concerned have a need for these hours.
6. Finally, an attempt should be made to bring up the total number of channel hours assigned to each country to be, as nearly as possible, in the same ratio as those of the basic plan by assigning additional hours to countries with a low percentage of satisfaction by following the same procedure as outlined in para 2.

Some of the delegations expressed an opinion that during the consideration of satisfaction during periods, a differentiation should be made in the satisfaction of national and international needs. But, in view of the fact that this question was outside the terms of reference of the sub-group, no recommendation has been made on this point.

M.L. SASTRY

Chairman,

Dn/Sé.

P O R T U G A L

Considerations on the work of the Conference

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COMMITTEE 4

P O R T U G A L

Considerations on the work of the Conference.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Florence/Rapallo Conference has now, in our opinion, reached a stage when it should decide upon a working system likely to achieve results which can be submitted to the International Radio Conference meeting in the Hague in September next.

Our Conference's task is to prepare a final plan as defined in the Mexico City Agreement.

However, the Portuguese Delegation thinks that the time available for the preparation of the Plan is very limited, as experience has shown that the preparation of each phase of the Plan is arduous and requires at least a month of hard work. We must, therefore, do all we can to reduce the work so that we can both finish our task and achieve a result that will be acceptable to the majority of countries if not to all.

In the light of these facts, the Portuguese Delegation submitted a proposal (TPC Document 79) to the TPC during its Paris Session. The document was annexed to the report sent to administrations and to the Final Report by the TPC after its Session in Florence.

We do not wish to repeat all the arguments already advanced in support the proposals in that document, and we feel that some of them are no longer pertinent.

However, we think it advisable to draw the attention of the Conference to some of the essential principles of the proposal, as we feel that an attempt should be made to apply them wherever they may help in the solution of the real problems facing the Conference.

2. THE REAL PROBLEM.

We know from the experience acquired during the TPC's work in Paris that no matter what method is used, it is impossible to obtain a set of plans with the requisite homogeneity both in the number of channel hours and in programme continuity.

In the first place, taking the sunspot numbers predicted in Document 34 of the United States Delegation as a basis, the sunspot index applicable will be 70 when the Plan is implemented (that is to say about June 1951); at the time of the next Plenipotentiary Conference - Buenos Aires 1952 - it will be 50; a year later (1953) it will be 30.



Moreover, we must face the possibility that the Plenipotentiary Conference in Buenos Aires may make fresh arrangements concerning the distribution and widths of broadcasting bands, in view of the importance of broadcasting in every country.

If, here and now, we prepared plans based on the present distribution of bands (which might one day be changed) and on a solar index which would be unworkable at the time of the Buenos Aires Conference or as a result of any new distribution of bands it might make, we should have worked in vain. Moreover, it is precisely for the lowest solar index that the plans prepared in Paris are the least acceptable.

We believe that the plans prepared by the Conference should be considered solely as EXPERIMENTAL PLANS, because they should not be used until the entry into force of the plans to be prepared at the Administrative Conference of Buenos Aires. It would then be possible not only to acquire the necessary experience of frequency allocation and the propagation of various transmissions, but also to help the organisation entrusted with the implementation of the plan to collect the necessary data on transmitters actually in operation and the programmes they broadcast; in this way, if the problem of frequency allocation arose again, it could be considered as a whole.

### 3. CONTINUITY OF PROGRAMME RECEPTION

We do not consider that it is practical, from the listeners' point of view, to change frequency four times a year.

Any effort to reduce such frequency changes in the different services would be worthwhile, even if it meant sacrificing perfect reception.

We fully realise that this principle will give rise to many objections of a technical nature and that it will be said to be technically impossible to carry out transmissions on any but the optimum usable frequency.

We admit that these technical considerations are very pertinent, but we believe that, if broadcasting is to serve the public, the public's preference and limitations must be taken into account.

If, for example, the same distribution of frequencies could be contemplated for the Equinox and June periods, the changes of frequency would be reduced to two per year for each phase, which would be a great convenience to the general public.

If, for example, in addition to this simplification, the same distribution, or a similar one, could be adopted for two consecutive phases of the plan, the number of changes to be made would be reduced at the same time.

Another way of reducing the number of changes would be to adopt the same distribution for the June and Equinox periods for two consecutive phases and a different distribution for the December periods.

We realise, however, that these suggestions will not meet with the approval of certain delegations whose administrations have to operate circuits for which this principle cannot be adopted.

But we believe that the special case of such circuits could be dealt with separately, while the other, more adaptable circuits were given greater continuity in the use of the same frequency.

#### 4. SUGGESTED POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

In accordance with the above considerations, the Delegation of Portugal wishes to submit the following suggestions to the Conference :

- 1) Investigation of the feasibility of using the same distribution of frequencies for two or three different consecutive seasons, solar activity remaining the same.
- 2) Investigation of the feasibility of using the same distribution of frequencies for the same seasons with different solar indices.
- 3) Investigation of the feasibility of incorporating, in each phase and each band, a number of fixed assignments for all phases, reserved for the same countries and for the reception areas allowed by sharing possibilities. The remaining channel hours could be treated in the same way as heretofore to cover special cases of propagation or difficult sharing. This would mean considering a series of partial plans of which one would be common to all phases of the plan and the rest would each refer to one phase.
- 4) Investigation of the feasibility of preparing a final Plan based on the appropriate application of the above mentioned methods, bearing in mind, however, that any solution contemplated should aim mainly at reducing to a minimum the number of changes that must be made in the frequencies used by each country or in each given case.

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The adoption of the above suggestions, which derive from the principles set out in the document submitted to the T.P.C. (TPC Document 79), would not, we believe, slow the work of the Conference and would mean that the work already done had not been done in vain.

The adoption of any of the suggested solutions is dependent upon observation and positive, concrete study of the problems and could be contemplated only after the results of the work of the CIRAF in Mexico City and the TPC in Paris have been taken into account.

After all the money spent by the various countries to achieve results which have met with but qualified success, we believe that it would be regrettable not to try to find a means of reaching almost unanimous agreement and giving a maximum of satisfaction to all countries.

It is with this end in view that the Delegation of Portugal wishes to submit this modest contribution.

H. Leotte

Delegation of Portugal

Dn/Rg



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Technical Information

For the information of the Conference, graphs of the median  $f_oF_2$  (vertical incidence critical frequency, ordinary wave) and 4000 Km  $F_2$  MUF are herewith submitted for Washington, D.C., Huancayo, Peru, and Watheroo, Australia as prepared from data collected by the Central Radio Propagation Laboratory and cooperating agencies. These ionosphere measuring stations have been making observations over a long period of time and are well distributed in latitude. For convenience, on the same graph, there is plotted on each, the twelve-month running average of the Zurich sunspot numbers centered on the month. The CWF would be 15% below the MUF curves. The variation from year to year with sunspot number for a given month or year can be seen by connecting corresponding points for each year.

Examination of these graphs indicates that the optimum division of the year on the basis of the three seasons would be approximately as follows:

June plan: May, June, July, August  
Equinox plan: March, April, September, October  
December plan: November, December, January, February

In order to obtain an idea as to the effect of using the Mexico City June Sunspot 70 Plan for June sunspot 60 and June sunspot 5, the Central Radio Propagation Laboratory has made a detailed analysis of the basic Mexico City Plan. This analysis gives the total number of hours within each band during which the transmitter frequency is:

- (a) below the Optimum Working Frequency (i.e., reception expected more than 90% of the time),
- (b) above the Optimum Working Frequency, but below the Maximum Usable Frequency (i.e., reception expected between 50% and 90% of the time),
- (c) above the Maximum Usable Frequency (i.e., reception expected less than 50% of the time).

Table I, attached, gives the results for each band and contains the following information:

Line 1: Total Circuit Hours - The total number of hours which fall into the three categories (a), (b), and (c) as given above, for all the circuits of the particular countries within the particular band.

NOTE: Circuit Hours are the number of hours of broadcast between two areas. If a transmitter broadcasts to five areas at the same time for three hours, there are 15 circuit hours.

Line 2: Percentage of Total - Same as line (1) above, but expressed as percentage of the total circuit hours. (The total is given in the last column.)

Line 3: Total Transmitter Hours - The total number of hours which fall into the three categories (a), (b), and (c) as given above, for the best circuit of the various areas to which the transmitter broadcasts. (If the transmitter broadcasts to only one area, the Circuit Hours are the same as the Transmitter Hours.) The reason for the choice of the best circuit is the assumption that a country may decide to continue broadcasts as long as any part of the receiving area is capable of receiving the broadcast.

Line 4: Percentage of Total - Same as line (3) above, but expressed as percentage of total transmitter hours. (The total is given in the last column.)

J. Paul Barringer  
Chairman  
Delegation, United States of America

BAND	REMARKS	J U N E 70			J U N E 60			J U N E 5			TOTAL
		Below QF	Above QF Below LUF	Above MUF	Below QF	Above QF Below MUF	Above MUF	Below QF	Above QF Below MUF	Above MUF	
6	T.C.H.	2540	176 $\frac{1}{4}$	129 $\frac{3}{4}$	2372 $\frac{1}{4}$	311 $\frac{1}{2}$	162 $\frac{1}{4}$	1575 $\frac{1}{4}$	486	784 $\frac{3}{4}$	2846
	%	89.2	6.2	4.6	83.4	10.9	5.7	55.3	17.1	27.6	
	T.T.H.	1728 $\frac{3}{4}$	119 $\frac{1}{4}$	72 $\frac{3}{4}$	1615 $\frac{3}{4}$	209 $\frac{1}{2}$	95 $\frac{1}{2}$	1146 $\frac{1}{2}$	273 $\frac{3}{4}$	500 $\frac{1}{2}$	1920 $\frac{3}{4}$
	%	90.0	6.2	3.8	84.1	10.9	5.0	59.7	14.2	26.1	
7	T.C.H.	1113 $\frac{1}{4}$	203	60 $\frac{1}{4}$	1008 $\frac{1}{4}$	278 $\frac{1}{4}$	90	678 $\frac{3}{4}$	127 $\frac{1}{4}$	570 $\frac{1}{2}$	1376 $\frac{1}{2}$
	%	80.9	14.7	4.4	79.3	20.2	6.5	49.3	9.3	41.4	
	T.T.H.	938 $\frac{1}{2}$	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	42 $\frac{1}{2}$	854 $\frac{1}{2}$	193	62	560 $\frac{1}{2}$	101	448	1109 $\frac{1}{2}$
	%	84.6	11.6	3.8	77.0	17.4	5.6	50.5	9.1	40.4	
9	T.C.H.	2112	440 $\frac{1}{2}$	471 $\frac{1}{2}$	2018 $\frac{1}{2}$	372 $\frac{1}{4}$	633 $\frac{3}{4}$	1377 $\frac{1}{4}$	497 $\frac{3}{4}$	1149	3024
	%	69.8	14.6	15.6	66.8	12.3	20.9	45.5	16.5	38.0	
	T.T.H.	1189 $\frac{1}{4}$	219 $\frac{1}{4}$	164 $\frac{1}{2}$	1146 $\frac{1}{4}$	172 $\frac{3}{4}$	254	855 $\frac{1}{2}$	215 $\frac{1}{2}$	502	1573
	%	75.6	13.9	10.5	72.9	11.0	16.1	54.4	13.7	31.9	
11	T.C.H.	1984 $\frac{1}{2}$	437 $\frac{1}{2}$	444 $\frac{1}{2}$	1871	430	565 $\frac{1}{2}$	1195 $\frac{1}{2}$	460 $\frac{1}{4}$	1210 $\frac{3}{4}$	2866 $\frac{1}{2}$
	%	69.2	15.3	15.5	65.3	15.0	19.7	41.7	16.1	42.2	
	T.T.H.	1033 $\frac{1}{2}$	142 $\frac{1}{4}$	122 $\frac{1}{4}$	1000	141 $\frac{1}{2}$	156 $\frac{1}{2}$	732 $\frac{1}{4}$	197 $\frac{1}{4}$	368 $\frac{1}{2}$	1298
	%	79.6	11.0	9.4	77.0	10.9	12.1	56.4	15.2	28.4	

BAND	REMARKS	JUNE 70			JUNE 60			JUNE 5			TOTAL
		Below OWF	Above OWF Below MUF	Above MUF	Below OWF	Above OWF Below MUF	Above MUF	Below OWF	Above OWF Below MUF	Above MUF	
15	T.C.H.	1471 $\frac{1}{2}$	320	184. $\frac{1}{4}$	1280 $\frac{1}{2}$	452	243. $\frac{1}{4}$	442. $\frac{1}{4}$	770. $\frac{3}{4}$	762. $\frac{3}{4}$	1975 $\frac{3}{4}$
	%	74.5	16.2	9.3	64.8	22.9	12.3	22.4	39.0	38.6	
	T.T.H.	784	94. $\frac{3}{4}$	27. $\frac{1}{2}$	722	148 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{3}{4}$	284 $\frac{3}{4}$	396. $\frac{3}{4}$	224. $\frac{3}{4}$	906 $\frac{1}{4}$
	%	86.5	10.5	3.0	79.7	16.4	3.9	31.4	43.8	24.8	
17	T.C.H.	628. $\frac{3}{4}$	370 $\frac{3}{4}$	116	397. $\frac{1}{4}$	539. $\frac{1}{4}$	179	104. $\frac{3}{4}$	256 $\frac{1}{4}$	754. $\frac{1}{2}$	1115 $\frac{1}{2}$
	%	56.4	33.2	10.4	35.6	48.3	16.1	9.4	23	67.6	
	T.T.H.	329. $\frac{3}{4}$	128. $\frac{1}{4}$	15	237	209	27	83. $\frac{3}{4}$	132. $\frac{3}{4}$	256. $\frac{1}{2}$	473
	%	69.7	27.1	3.2	50.1	44.2	5.7	17.7	28.1	54.2	
21	T.C.H.	731. $\frac{3}{4}$	649. $\frac{3}{4}$	409	567. $\frac{3}{4}$	615	607. $\frac{3}{4}$	116	353. $\frac{1}{2}$	1321	1790 $\frac{1}{2}$
	%	40.9	36.3	22.8	31.7	34.3	34	6.5	19.7	73.8	
	T.T.H.	348. $\frac{1}{2}$	236. $\frac{1}{4}$	115. $\frac{3}{4}$	292	220 $\frac{1}{2}$	188	72	176	452. $\frac{1}{2}$	700 $\frac{1}{2}$
	%	49.8	33.7	16.5	41.7	31.5	26.8	10.3	25.1	64.6	
26	T.C.H.	120. $\frac{3}{4}$	467. $\frac{1}{2}$	863. $\frac{3}{4}$	65 $\frac{1}{4}$	376. $\frac{3}{4}$	1010	1. $\frac{3}{4}$	123. $\frac{1}{4}$	1327	1452
	%	8.3	32.2	59.5	4.5	25.9	69.6	0.1	8.5	91.4	
	T.T.H.	78. $\frac{1}{2}$	227. $\frac{1}{4}$	205. $\frac{1}{4}$	42. $\frac{1}{2}$	219. $\frac{3}{4}$	248. $\frac{3}{4}$	1. $\frac{3}{4}$	84. $\frac{3}{4}$	424. $\frac{1}{2}$	511
	%	15.4	44.5	40.1	8.3	43	48.7	0.3	16.6	83.1	

T.C.H. = Total circuit hours

T.T.H. = Total transmitter hours

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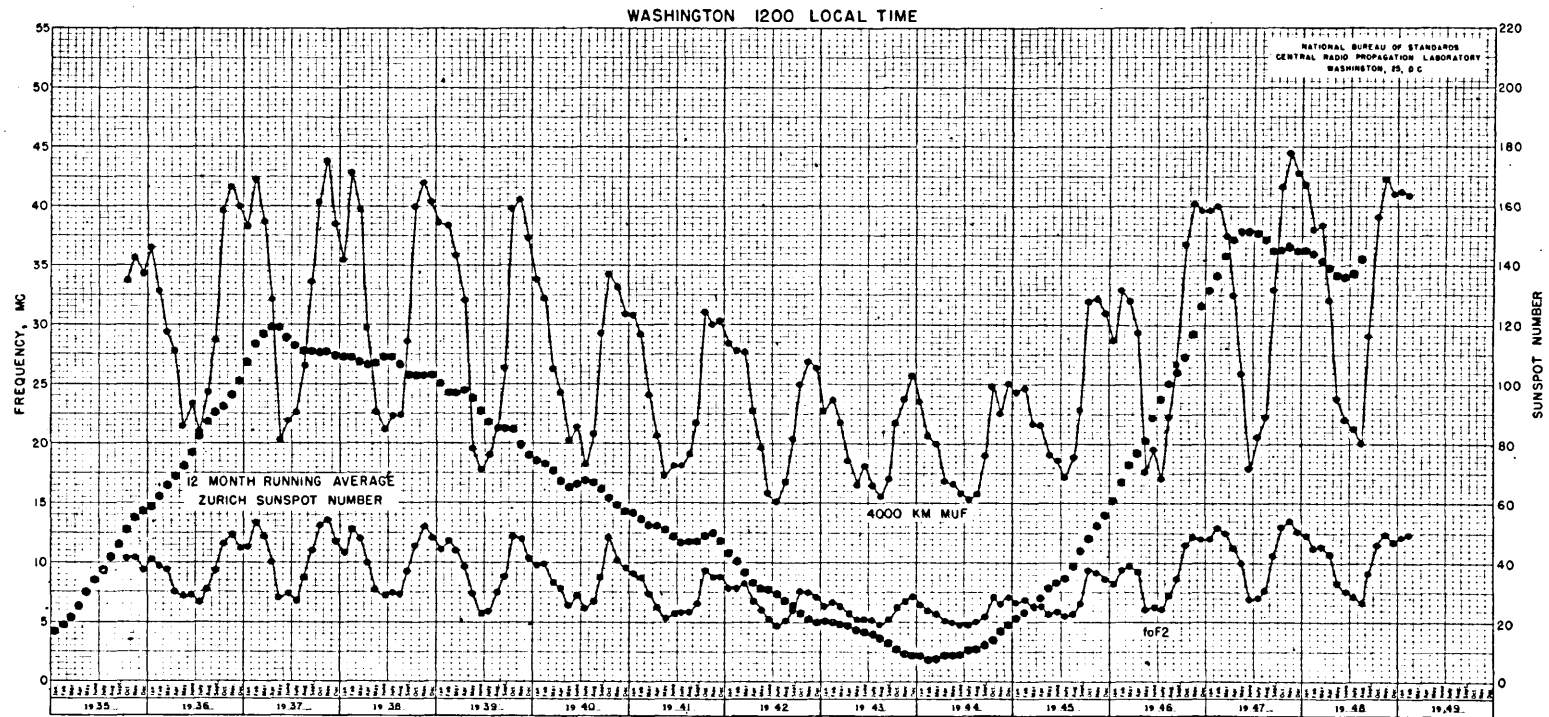


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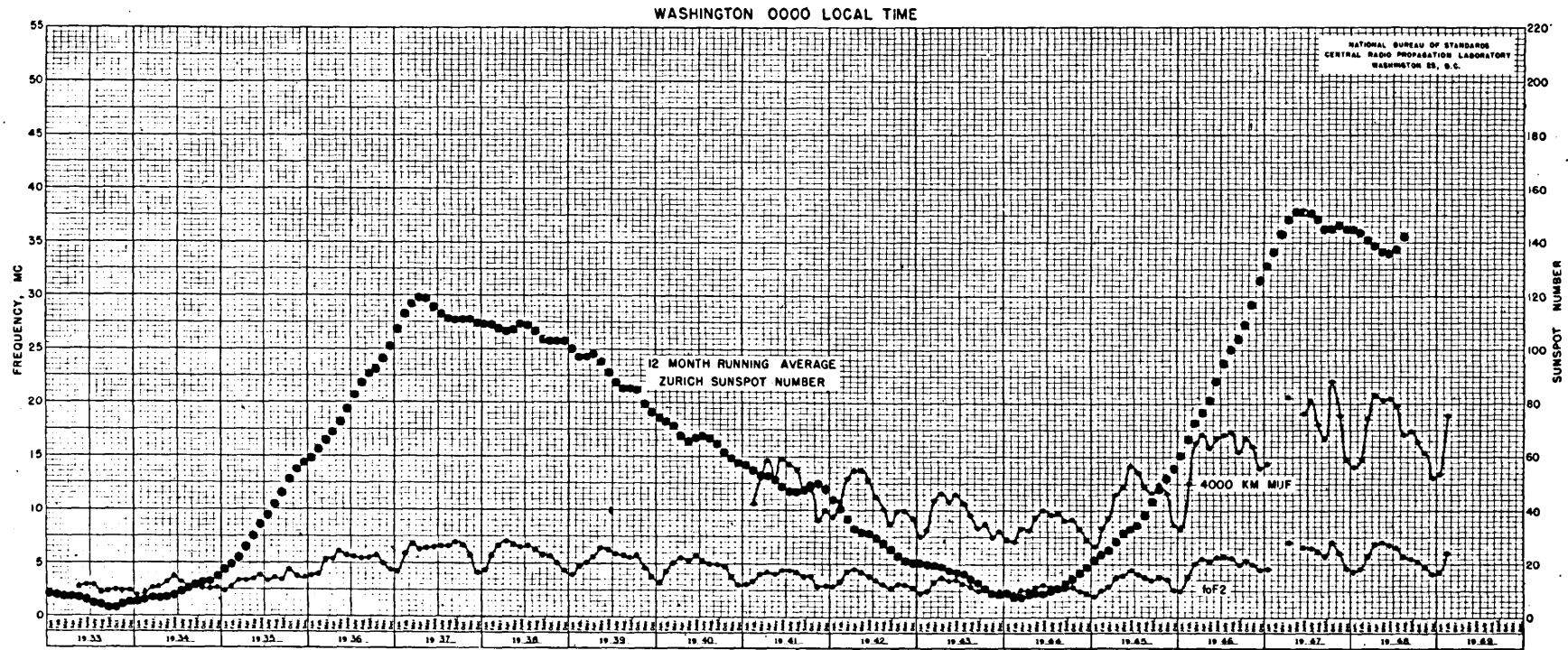


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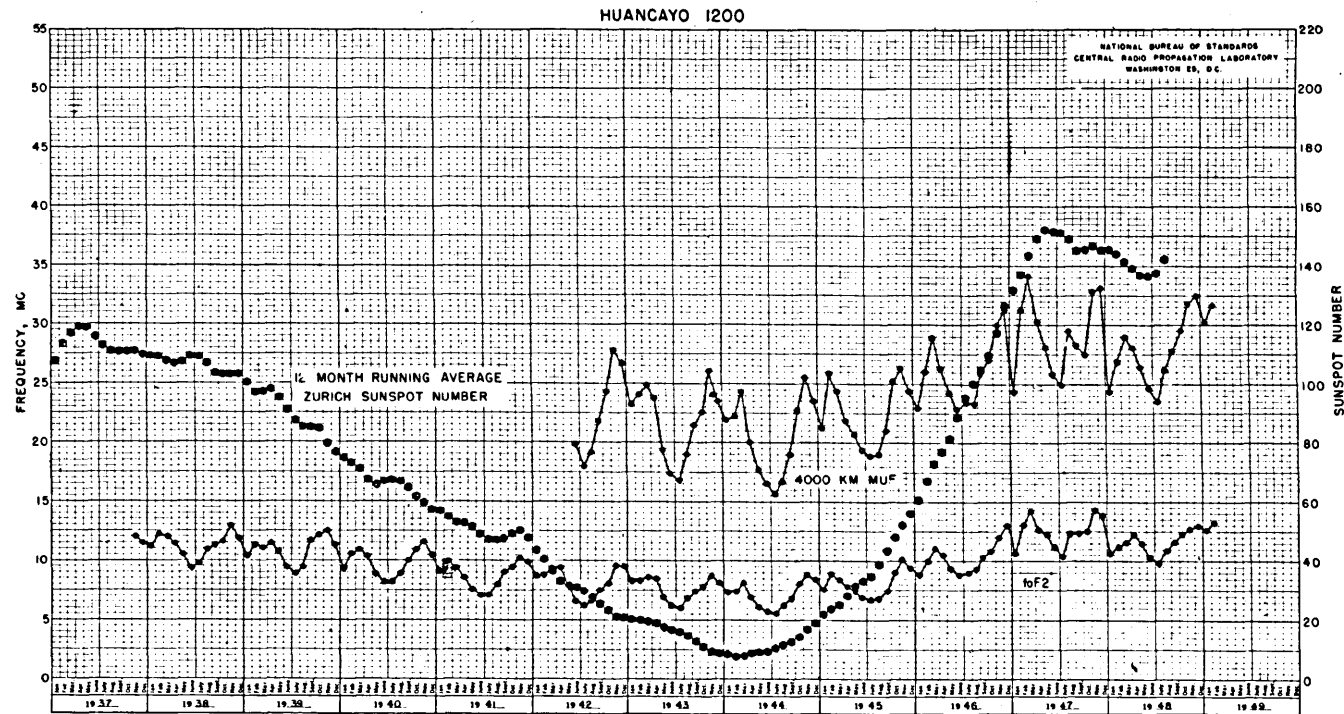


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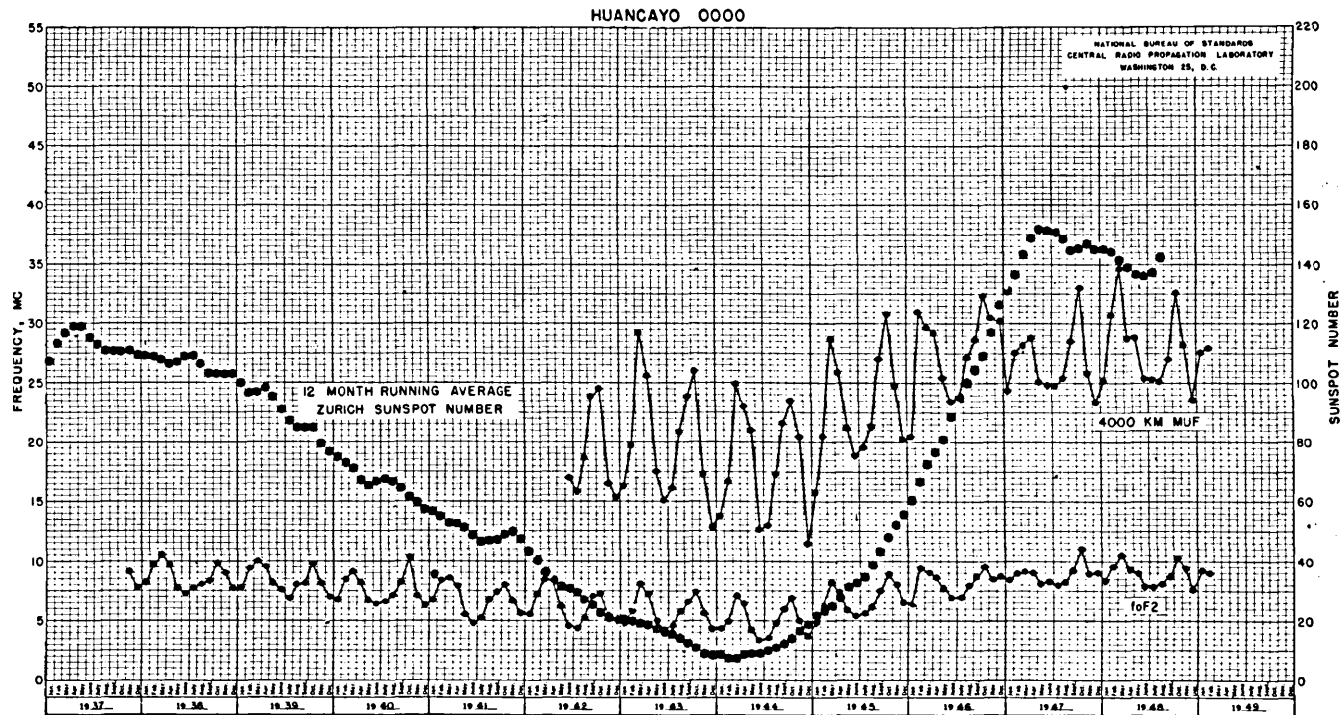


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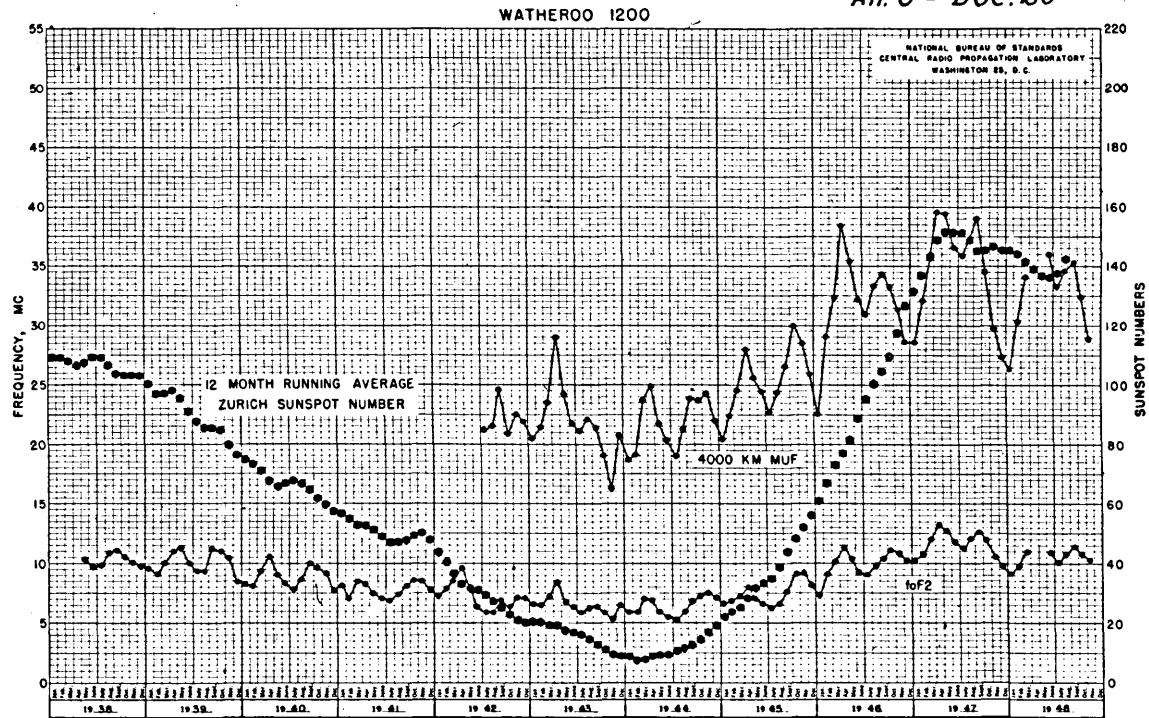


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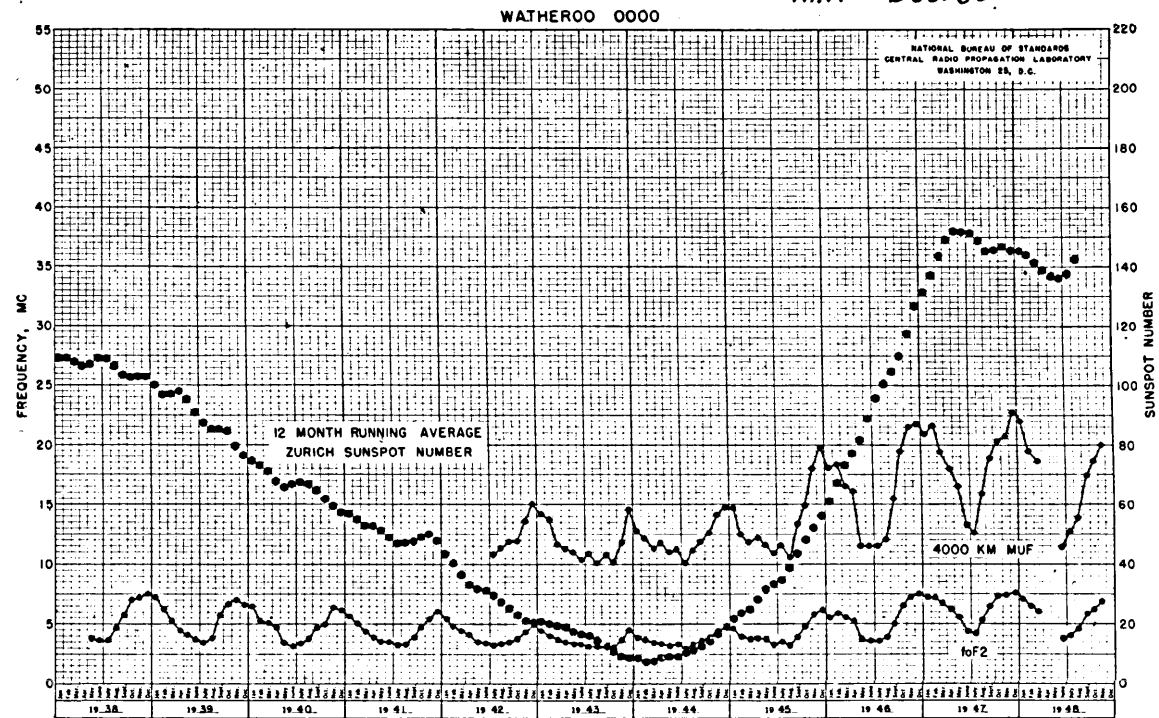


Fig. 6

CHAIRMAN OF THE CONFERENCE

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In order that requests and proposals submitted by delegations during the Conference may be the more rapidly forwarded to the competent body, and to comply with Articles 13 and 14 of the Rules of Procedure, documents of this nature should be handed in to the Secretary of the Conference and addressed to :

- a) the Chairman of the Conference, if the matter is to be dealt with in Plenary Assembly;
- b) the Chairman of the competent Committee or Sub-Committee, if the matter is to be dealt with in Committee.

Where a Committee is split into Sub-Committees and Working Groups, papers may be sent directly to the competent Sub-Committee or Working Group if the Chairman of the Committee concerned so authorises.

- c) For reference, the Secretary of the Conference will keep a detailed list of all the material referred to in the preceding paragraphs.
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P A R A G U A Y

Page 3. Il convient de lire:

Phase de juin 12

Bande des	6	Mc/s	:	24	heures-fréquences
	9	Mc/s	:	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "
	11	Mc/s	:	18	" "
Total				56 $\frac{1}{2}$	heures-fréquences

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June 12 phase

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Fase de junio 12

Banda de	6	Mc/s	:	24	frecuencias-hora
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" "	11	Mc/s	:	18	" "
Total				56 $\frac{1}{2}$	frecuencias-horas

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COMMITTEE 4

P A R A G U A Y

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the  
Delegation of Paraguay :

"The Chairman,  
High Frequency Broadcasting Conference,  
Palazzo Strozzi,  
Florence.

Sir,

As result of a misunderstanding probably due to the letter of invitation sent to my Government, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay felt certain that the Second Session of the Conference was not due to begin in Rapallo until 29 April. In the belief that this was so, the Minister appointed me as Paraguayan Delegate, as the credentials I forwarded to you on 14 April show.

I do not know when proposals have to be submitted, but, in the wish to remedy the unfortunate situation which has arisen, I am sending one from my government now, in order that it may be considered and, perhaps, approved by the competent committee. The proposal is to have only two plans for the six phases provided for under the Mexico City Agreement.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(signed) Alfredo Perito  
Delegate of Paraguay

Annex : Proposal of Paraguay."



PARAGUAY

Proposal submitted to the  
International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference

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In its report submitted to the Mexico City Conference, the Plan Committee, set up in accordance with a resolution in the Atlantic City Convention, 1947, assigned to Paraguay a total of 94 channel hours, distributed as follows:

6 Mc/s band	12 channel hours
9 Mc/s "	17 " "
11 Mc/s "	65 " "
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(See Appendix D of Report by the Plan Committee).

The Mexico City Conference adopted the report prepared by the Plan Committee, subject to certain amendments. These amendments reduced the number of channel hours assigned to Paraguay to  $54 \frac{1}{2}$  :

26 channel hours in the 6 Mc/s band
15 " " " " 9 Mc/s "
13 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " " " 11 Mc/s "
<hr/> 54 $\frac{1}{2}$ Total

This distribution was based on June propagation conditions in a year of average solar activity (70 sunspots) calculated from Waldmeier's predictions and Gleissberg method estimates.

Under the Mexico City Agreement, a Technical Plan Committee was set up to prepare the other phases of this Plan for the other sunspot numbers. The T.P.C., which finished work in December 1949, prepared plans for the June, Equinox and December 40 phases and the June, Equinox and December 12 phases. These drafts assigned Paraguay the following channel-hours:

June 40

6 Mc/s Band	26 channel hours
9 Mc/s "	14 " "
11 Mc/s "	18 " "

Total 58 channel hours

Equinox 40

6 Mc/s Band	26 channel hours
9 Mc/s "	0 " "
11 Mc/s "	33 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "

Total 59  $\frac{1}{2}$  channel hours

December 40

6 Mc/s Band	18 channel hours
9 Mc/s "	22 " "
11 Mc/s "	4 " "

Total 44 channel hours

June 12

6 Mc/s Band	24 channel hours
9 Mc/s "	24 " "
11 Mc/s "	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "

Total 62  $\frac{1}{2}$  channel hours

Equinox 12

6 Mc/s Band	16 channel hours
9 Mc/s "	15 " "
11 Mc/s "	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "

Total 50  $\frac{1}{2}$  channel hours

(Seven channel hours in the 6 Mc/s band are assigned to Paraguay in special circumstances only)

December 12

6 Mc/s band	23 channel hours
9 Mc/s "	15 " "
11 Mc/s "	19½ " "
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Total	57½ channel hours

(11½ channel hours in the 6 Mc/s band are assigned to Paraguay in special circumstances only).

In preparing these plans, the surface of the globe was divided up into 67 geographical zones numbered from 1 to 67. In order to ensure continuity of programmes, taking into account the order of priority indicated by the signatory countries, the propagation conditions for the indices of the various seasons of the solar cycle were taken into consideration. (See Doc. No.1 of the TPC, Paris).

The Technical Office of Paraguay thinks it would be possible to cover with only two plans the period between the date when the Basic Plan is put into effect and the period of minimum solar activity, i.e. :

- a) the plan for the Equinox 40, which would be extended to apply to the June 40, June 12 and Equinox 12 seasons;
- b) the plan for December 12, which would be extended to December 40 and would only be applied when propagation conditions prevented the use of the plan mentioned under a).

Granted the use of a single frequency during the various seasons, the analysis of field intensity values in the reception areas shows that the maximum variation between summer and equinox does not exceed 6 db in the least favourable cases, average variation being 2 db.

Furthermore, supposing that the frequency selected for a solar index 5 coincides with the OWF, the use of this frequency during an Index 70 season entails, with few exceptions, a 10 db reduction in the field intensity.

Under these conditions, a maximum variation of 16 db may be expected from the use of a single frequency during the June and Equinox seasons of the part of the solar cycle included between indices 70 and 5. It should, moreover, be noted that this variation occurs only during the hours of maximum absorption.

Paraguay therefore proposes that :

- a) the assignments should be made according to the plan for the Equinox 40;
- b) the plan for December 12 should be applied when propagation conditions prevent the use of the plan for the Equinox 40.



According to these two Plans, assignments of channel hours to Paraguay would be as follows:

SEASON : EQUINOX SOLAR ACTIVITY : 40

Channel No.	Frequency (kc/s)	Hours GMT	Total number of hours
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6 Mc/s Band			
3	5975	1200-0400	16.00
8	6025	1100-2100	10.00
11 Mc/s Band			
7	11765	1300-0400	15.00
15	11845	1200-1900	07.00
19	11885	0200-0530	03.30
20	11895	1300-1900	06.00
28	11975	1000-1200	02.00
Total			59.30 hours

SEASON : DECEMBER SOLAR ACTIVITY : 12

Channel No.	Frequency (kc/s)	Hours GMT	Total number of hours
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6 Mc/s Band			
3	5975	1200-0100	13.00
8	6025	1100-2100	10.00
9 Mc/s Band			
7	9565	1300-0400	15.00
11 Mc/s Band			
10	11795	1200-1900	07.00
		2330-0400	04.30
20	11895	1400-2000	06.00
28	11975	1000-1200	02.00
Total			57.30 hours

Sig. Dr. Alfredo Perito.

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COMMITTEE 4

PHASES OF THE PLAN COMMITTEE

Report of the 3rd Meeting

18 April 1950 at 4 p.m.

Chairman : Mr. Arboleda (Colombia)  
1st Vice-Chairman : Mr. Sastry (India)  
2nd Vice-Chairman : Mr. Leotte Tavares (Portugal)

1. The reports of the 1st and 2nd Meetings of the Committee (Docs. 38 and 44) were approved without comment.

2. Consideration of Document 48 (Chairman of Committee 5)

The Delegate of France proposed, and the Committee agreed to delete the words "dans l'affirmative" from the French text of this document. It was decided to refer the document to the Technical Sub-Committee for study.

3. Consideration of Document 49 (France)

The Delegate of France introduced the document and the Committee, on the proposal of the Delegate of Mexico, decided to refer it to Working Group 4A which could send it to its Sub-Group 1.

The Delegate of Egypt pointed out that the French proposal was one of a general nature and suggested that the Committee make a general decision concerning the referring of documents of this nature (i.e. Document 49) to the Sub-Working Group.

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4. Consideration of Document 52 (revised) (Oversea France)

Mr. Daumard, speaking as Chairman of Committee 3, pointed out that the document, as its heading showed, concerned both Committee 3 and Committee 4.

At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Committee decided, for its part, to refer the document to Working Group 4A.

5. Consideration of Document 53 (Chairman of Working Group 4A)

The Chairman, followed by the Delegates of Colombia, India and Italy each addressed the meeting and the Committee adopted their suggestion to refer the study of this document to the Plenary Assembly.

6. Consideration of Document 63 (Sub-Group 1 of Working Group 4A)

This document concerned Working Group 4A and the Committee was of the opinion that it should be discussed in that Working Group.

7. Consideration of Document 64 (Indonesia)

On the Chairman's proposal, seconded by the Delegate of Indonesia, the Committee adopted the same decision with regard to this document as it had adopted with regard to Documents 49 and 52, namely, to refer it to Working Group 4A.

8. Consideration of a letter from the Chairman of Working Group 4A

The Chairman read out a letter which he had received from the Chairman of Working Group 4A. The letter, a copy of which is attached, refers to the study of the Final Report of the T.P.C., Florence session, and, more particularly, to Chapter 4 of that Report.

8.1 The letter covered 4 points, the first three of which, at the suggestion of the Delegate of the United Kingdom, were immediately discussed. The Committee adopted the proposals made by the Chairman of the Working Group namely :

8.11 the international coordination of transmitting times to be referred to Committee 5;

8.12 the discrepancies observed in the propagation curves to be referred to the Technical Sub-Committee;

8.13 the report of the Budget Group to be referred to Committee 7.

8.2 The 4th point covered in the letter referred to the Portuguese proposal concerning the reduction in the number of the phases of the plan.

The Delegate of Portugal announced that a document from his Delegation would appear in the very near future and gave certain explanations concerning his proposal.

The Delegates of Yugoslavia, France, and India then spoke and the Committee decided that when the Portuguese document appeared it would be submitted directly for preliminary study to the Technical Sub-Committee. The Chairman added that this question would appear on the agenda of the next meeting of the Committee, to be held on Monday, 24 April at 4 p.m.

#### 9. Analysis of Protection ratios

Following the proposal by the Chairman of Working Group 4A, the Chairman also included on the agenda of the next meeting of the Committee the consideration of Annexes 4 and 5 to the Final Report of the T.P.C., Florence session, (protection ratios).

#### 10. Membership of Working Group 4A

In view of the amount of work to be dealt with by his group, the Chairman suggested that the number of delegations on it should be increased, and said that he would like France and the United States to be represented. The proposal was seconded by the Delegate of Portugal and was adopted by the Committee.

11. The meeting rose at 6 p.m.

Rapporteurs :

J.M. Gilbert

G. Pointeau

Chairman :

C.E. Arboleda

ANNEX TO DOCUMENT 83-E

Florence, 18 April 1950.

Mr. Arboleda,  
Chairman of Committee 4.

Sir,

The following points are covered in Chapter 4 "Miscellaneous items" of the Final Report of the T.P.C. (Document 32-E of the Florence session of the T.P.C.) :

1. International coordination of transmission times.
2. Examination of possible discrepancies in the propagation curves.
3. Report of the Budget Supervision Group.
4. Proposal by the Portuguese Delegation.

The Working Group of your Committee feels that these questions are outside its terms of reference, and has instructed me to bring this fact to your notice and make the following suggestions as to the action to be taken by Committee 4 on this chapter of the T.P.C. Final Report.

It is the opinion of the Working Group that :

Item 1 is proper to the Implementation Committee and should be referred to it;

Item 2 raises questions of a purely technical nature and might be dealt with by the Technical Sub-Committee of Committee 4;

Item 3 should, in view of the T.P.C.'s conclusion, be considered by the Budget Control Committee of this Conference;

Item 4, dealing with the Portuguese proposal, has a very special interest. This proposal runs counter to the terms of reference given to the T.P.C. by the Mexico City Conference, suggesting a reduction in the number of phases to be prepared and should be discussed in Committee 4. If it were to be adopted by Committee 4 or the Plenary Assembly, it might mean that the working programme of your Committee, if not of the Conference itself, would be directed along new lines.

Dr. E. METZLER  
Chairman of the Working Group of Committee 4

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Corrigendum N° 3  
au document N° 84-F  
26 avril 1950

HORAIRE DES SEANCES

Judi 27 Ajouter :  
16 h.: Groupe de travail 3 B Salle 1

Vendredi 28 Ajouter :  
17 h.: Commission 3 Salle A

Supprimer:  
18 h. : Commission 1 (Groupe restreint)

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to document N° 84-F  
26 April, 1950

TIME TABLE OF MEETINGS

Thursday 27 Add :  
4 p.m.: Working Group 3 B Room 1

Friday 28 Add :  
5 p.m.: Committee 3 Room A

Delete:  
6 p.m.: Committee 1 (limited Group)

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Corrigendum núm. 3  
al documento núm. 84-S  
26 de abril de 1950

HORARIO DE SESIONES

Jueves 27 Añádase:  
4 p.m.: Grupo de Trabajo 3 B Sala 1

Viernes 28 Añádase:  
5 p.m.: Comisión 3 Sala A

Suprímase:  
6 p.m.: Comisión 1 (Grupo restringido)

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Corrigendum No 2  
au Document No. 84-F  
26 avril 1950

HORAIRE DES SEANCES

du lundi 24 au samedi 29 avril 1950

Vendredi 28

- 10 h. - Ajouter: "Groupe de travail de la Commission 2 - Salle 1"
- 16 h. - Remplacer: "Groupe de travail 5A"  
par  
"Commission 5"
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Corrigendum No. 2  
to Document No. 84-E  
26 April 1950

TIME-TABLE OF MEETINGS

from Monday 24 to Saturday 29 April 1950

Friday 28

- 10 a.m. - Add: "Working Group of Committee 2 - Room 1"
- 4 p.m. - Replace: "Working Group 5A"  
by  
"Committee 5"
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26 de abril de 1950

HORARIO DE LAS SESIONES

comprendido entre el lunes 24 y el sábado 29 de abril de 1950

Viernes 28

- 10 a.m. - Debe añadirse: "Grupo de trabajo de la Comisión 2 - Sala 1"
- 4 p.m. - Se debe reemplazar: "Grupo de trabajo 5A"  
por  
"Comisión 5"
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Corrigendum No. 1  
to Document No. 84-B

22 April 1950

TIME-TABLE OF MEETINGS

from Monday, 24 to Saturday, 29 April

<u>Monday 24</u>	4 p.m.	For "Committee 4" read "Sub-Committee 4 (Technical)"	
<u>Wednesday 26</u>	10 a.m.	Add "Committee 1"	Room A
<u>Thursday 27</u>	10 a.m.	Add "Committee 4"	Room A
<u>Friday 28</u>	6 p.m.	Add "Committee 1" (Limited Group)	Room 1



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Document No. 84-E  
21 April 1950

TIME-TABLE OF MEETINGS

from Monday 24 to Saturday 29 April 1950.

DAYS	MORNING (10 a.m.)	Room	AFTERNOON (4 p.m.)	Room
Monday 24	Committee 2 W.G. 3 A W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	A 1 4	Committee 4 W.G. 3 A W.G. 3 B W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	A 1 2 4
Tuesday 25	W.G. 3 A W.G. 3 B W.G. 4 A W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	1 2 A 4	Committee 3  W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	A  4
Wednesday 26	W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	4	Committee 3 W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	A 4
Thursday 27	W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	4	W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1 W.G. 5 A	4 A
Friday 28	W.G. 4 A W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	A 4	W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1 W.G. 5 A	4 A
Saturday 29	Committee 7 W.G. 4 A - S/G. 1	A 4		

W.G. = Working Group  
S/G. = Sub-Group

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Document No. 85-E  
21 April 1950

COMMITTEE 3

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Delegation of the United States of America, in connection with the submission of their present requirements to the Conference :

Florence, Italy  
April 19, 1950

My dear Mr. President:

The Delegation of the United States and of the Territories of the United States have submitted the new and modified high-frequency broadcasting service requirements of the United States of America and its Territories in accordance with the decisions of the Plenary Assembly and Committee 3. These requirements are designed to achieve more effective use of frequencies and at the same time to accommodate the needs of the United States which have increased since the submission of requirements to the Mexico City Conference.

The assignments of channel hours to the United States, in the Plan expanded by the Mexico City Conference, were inadequate, largely failing to take cognizance of the realistic needs of the United States. Nor were these assignments related proportionately to those of other large nations. The present submissions incorporate the adjustments necessary to correct that situation, in addition to the new needs which have developed since the Mexico City Conference.

The United States has conscientiously concluded that it must expand its international information programme to cover all parts of the world so that there can be an honest, factual dissemination of ideas. Moreover, it has become imperative to increase substantially shortwave broadcasting activities to counteract the constant deliberate distortions of the concepts, policies and objectives of those nations of the world who truly defend the democratic principles of individual freedom and human advancement.

The Honorable President,  
International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference,  
Florence/Rapallo.

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It is the policy of the United States constantly to advocate advancement of all the peoples in the world toward greater human freedom, human dignity and human rights. Achievement of that policy calls for more effective and honest world wide communication. The United States intends to cooperate with every nation willing to join the common effort for removal of barriers in the interchange of ideas. Furthermore, the United States proposes to continue to make available its leadership in this effort, to employ increasingly its technical facilities and spend unsparingly its energies to attain those objectives. It is hoped that Conference assignments will take into consideration the relative world responsibilities of the United States.

The United States has established or has made concrete provision for technical facilities necessary to utilize fully the frequency hours set forth in this submission. The present submissions contain shifts in transmitter areas from the continental United States to United States transmission points overseas and shifts in reception areas. These departures from the assignments to the United States in the Mexico City Plan are made to remedy features of that plan that do not meet the present needs of the United States, and to approach maximum efficiency in frequency usage.

The requirements of the United States do not anticipate any internal high frequency broadcasting within the United States or transmissions from the territories of the United States to its continental limits.

An equitable, soundly engineered and workable world plan must be based on current broadcasting and projected future broadcasting which has reasonable probability of realization, and which will thus correct the wasteful distribution of frequency-hours reflected by certain assignments in the Mexico City Plan.

The submissions are without reference to the number of frequencies per program per propagation area. The Delegation of the United States feels that, for difficult circuits, dual frequencies are desirable, and for circuits involving periods of rapid change in QMF, overlapping frequencies may be needed to provide continuity of the broadcast services. However, the Delegation of the United States is willing to abide by the decisions and practices of the Conference in this respect, but expects that it be accorded equal and identical treatment to that accorded other nations on this point.

These submissions are basic requirements in that they describe broadcasting services which the United States is directing or intends, in the near future, to direct to the areas indicated. Thus, the new requirements which - on the forms A submitted to Committee 3 - are indicated by the designation "N" do not relate to any particular sunspot number or season, and, therefore, no bands or channels have been indicated for them. The incorporation of such requirements into a phase or phases of a plan would, of course, involve the assignment of particular channels and bands.

In presenting these requirements the Delegation of the United States has not

calculated the order of frequencies applicable to the Mexico City June 70 Plan since it believes that this would be of little or no value to the work of the Conference because June 70 is not one of the phases of the plan upon which this Conference is working. Also the Government of the United States has not agreed to either the June 70 Plan or the use of the June 70 Plan as a basis for projection by the Technical Plan Committee. However, the Delegation of the United States has no objection to the use of the draft phases of the Plan as a working paper in the readjustment of the Mexico City Plan by this Conference.

Modified requirements are indicated by the letter "M" in the second column and the nature of the modification is described on Forms "A" submitted to Committee 3. Where such modifications involve an addition to an assignment made in the June 70 Plan, the band number and channel number of the assignment in that Plan is indicated above the dotted line which refers to the assignment in the June 70 Plan. Modifications which involve hours in addition to those contained in the June 70 Plan are indicated by a solid line but the band and channel number are not indicated. Where an assignment in the June 70 Plan is modified by a deletion of a portion of that assignment, the deleted portion is shown by a characteristic line on Forms "A". The portion of that assignment which is to remain is indicated by a dotted line.

Where an entire assignment in the June 70 Plan is to be deleted, it is indicated by the letter "D" in the second column and the lines on Forms "A" are appropriately marked with reference to the band and channel numbers.

Those assignments in the June 70 Plan which do not appear in any way on the Forms "A" submitted to Committee 3 are to be maintained as part of the total requirements. The total broadcast service requirements of the United States will therefore consist of those appearing in the Forms "A" plus those in the June 70 Plan which do not appear on the Forms "A".

Respectfully yours,

J. Paul Barringer, Chairman  
The Delegation of the United  
States of America and of the  
Delegation of the Territories  
of the United States of America.

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PRELIMINARY REPORT OF SUB-GROUP 1  
OF WORKING GROUP 4A

The progress of the work accomplished to date can be summarised as follows :

- (1) For most countries which submitted detailed comments on the Paris Plans and are represented at the Florence H.F.B.C. :
  - (a) The forms C prepared by the T.P.C. have been revised and standardised with the cooperation of the representative of the country concerned,
  - (b) Full details of transmitter site, reception areas, transmitter power, antenna gain, azimuth and minimum and maximum distances have been entered on the forms C.
- (2) For countries which submitted detailed comments and are not represented at the Florence H.F.B.C. :
  - (a) The forms C prepared by the T.P.C. have been checked and errors rectified when such errors have been definitely established,
  - (b) The details in 1 (b) above have been entered in all cases where they could be ascertained.
- (3) For countries which submitted general but not specific comments on the Paris Plans and are represented at the H.F.B.C. :
  - (a) Forms C have been prepared with the cooperation of the representative of the country concerned in all cases where the representative agreed to make detailed comments on the six Paris Plans,
  - (b) No forms C have been prepared for countries when the representative declined to supply details at this stage.
- (4) For countries which submitted general but not specific comments on the six Paris Plans and are not represented at the H.F.B.C. in Florence :
  - (a) Where the country requested restoration of the assignments in the Basic Plan,

No action yet taken.

- (b) Where the country rejected the Paris Plans as inadequate but made no stipulation as to the revisions necessary to make the Plans acceptable.

No action yet taken.

- (5) For countries which signed the Basic Plan but have not commented on the six Paris Plans :

- (a) Where the country is represented at the Florence H.F.B.C.

No action taken.

- (b) Where the country is not represented at the Florence H.F.B.C.

No action taken.

- (6) For countries which did not sign the Basic Plan and have not commented on the six Paris Plans :

- (a) Where the country is represented at the Florence H.F.B.C.

No action taken.

- (b) Where the country is not represented at the Florence H.F.B.C.

No action taken.

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COMMITTEE 4

FIRST REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL  
SUB-COMMITTEE OF COMMITTEE 4

1. The Technical Sub-Committee in its first meeting on the 19th April 1950 examined Point 4.2. on page 7, Document 32-E of the Technical Plan Committee, Florence session and unanimously came to the following conclusions.
  - (a) The OWF data of the Mexico City Conference is correct, subject to the incidental and negligible mechanical errors which are likely to occur in mass calculations of such volume.
  - (b) The field strength curves are also generally correct and reliable except for some printing errors that have crept in regarding the subdivision of the dotted and full line portions of these curves.
  - (c) The field strength curves, whether they be dotted or in full line should only be used to determine the strength of the field and not to decide whether a particular frequency gets through or not. This latter point should be determined only by a reference to the corresponding OWF chart.
  - (d) Delegations who notice any fundamental errors either in the OWF or in the field strength charts, may kindly bring the same to the attention of the Sub-Committee for necessary rectification.
  - (e) The few errors that were noticed by the Technical Plan Committee will be rectified; modified charts of these circuits as well as the missing OWF and field strength charts will be made available to the Conference in due course.
  - (f) All the above conclusions are based on the very valuable work that was carried out at the Florence session of the TPC (Doc. 18) under the guidance of Mr. Barajas.

M.L. Sastry

Chairman.



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22 April 1950

COMMITTEE 4

I R A N

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Iranian Delegation:

Florence, 21 April 1950.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that, owing to a delay which occurred during my air journey here, I arrived in Florence only on the 20 April, whereas the 17 April had been fixed as the final date for submitting observations on the Paris Plan.

Since Iran wishes to make such observations, I beg to forward you herewith the requirements of my country and should be greatly obliged if you would kindly forward them to the competent Committees, where I hope they will be favourably received.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) Djalaleddine Tehérany

Minister of P.T.T. and  
delegate for Iran to the CIRAF.

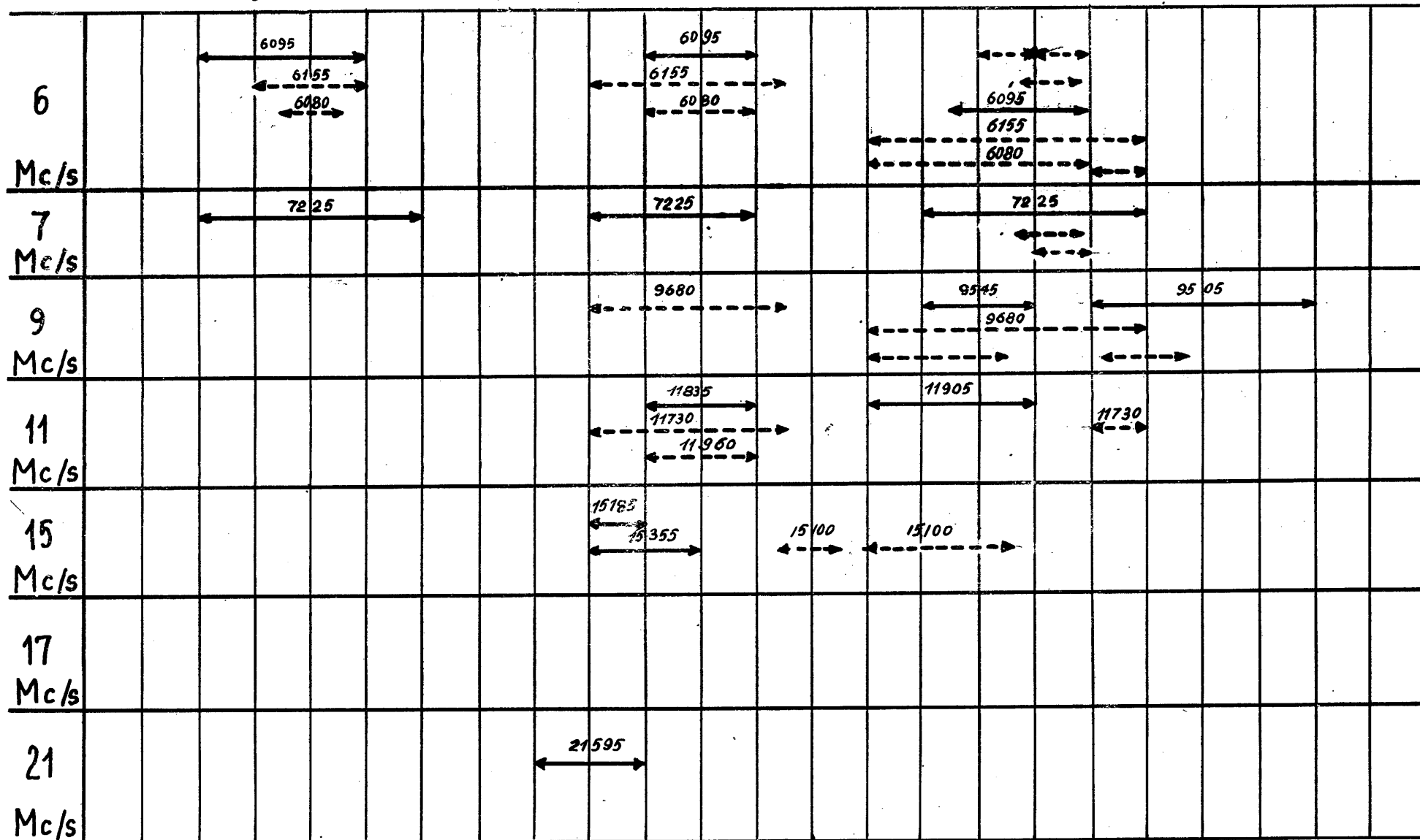
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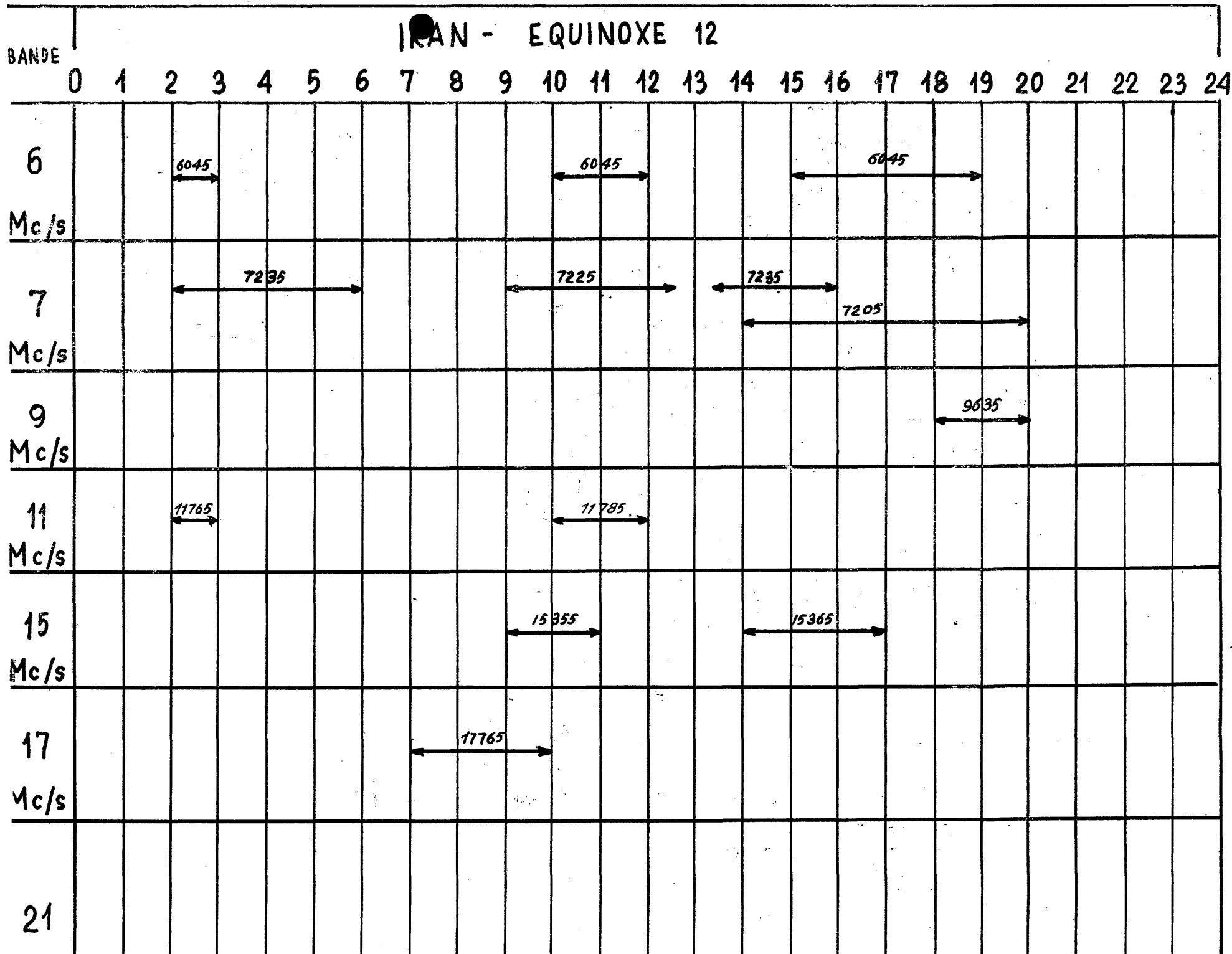
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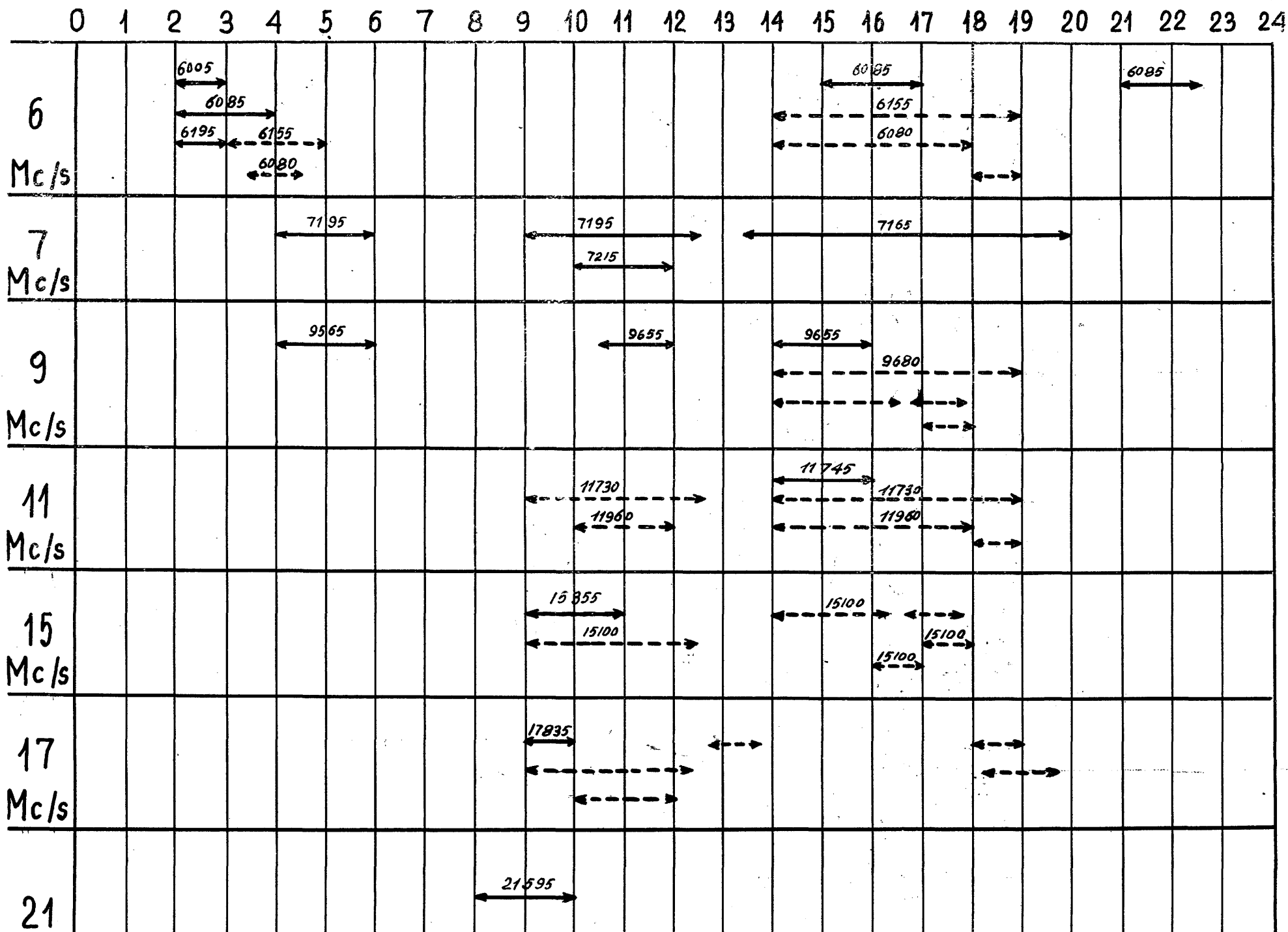
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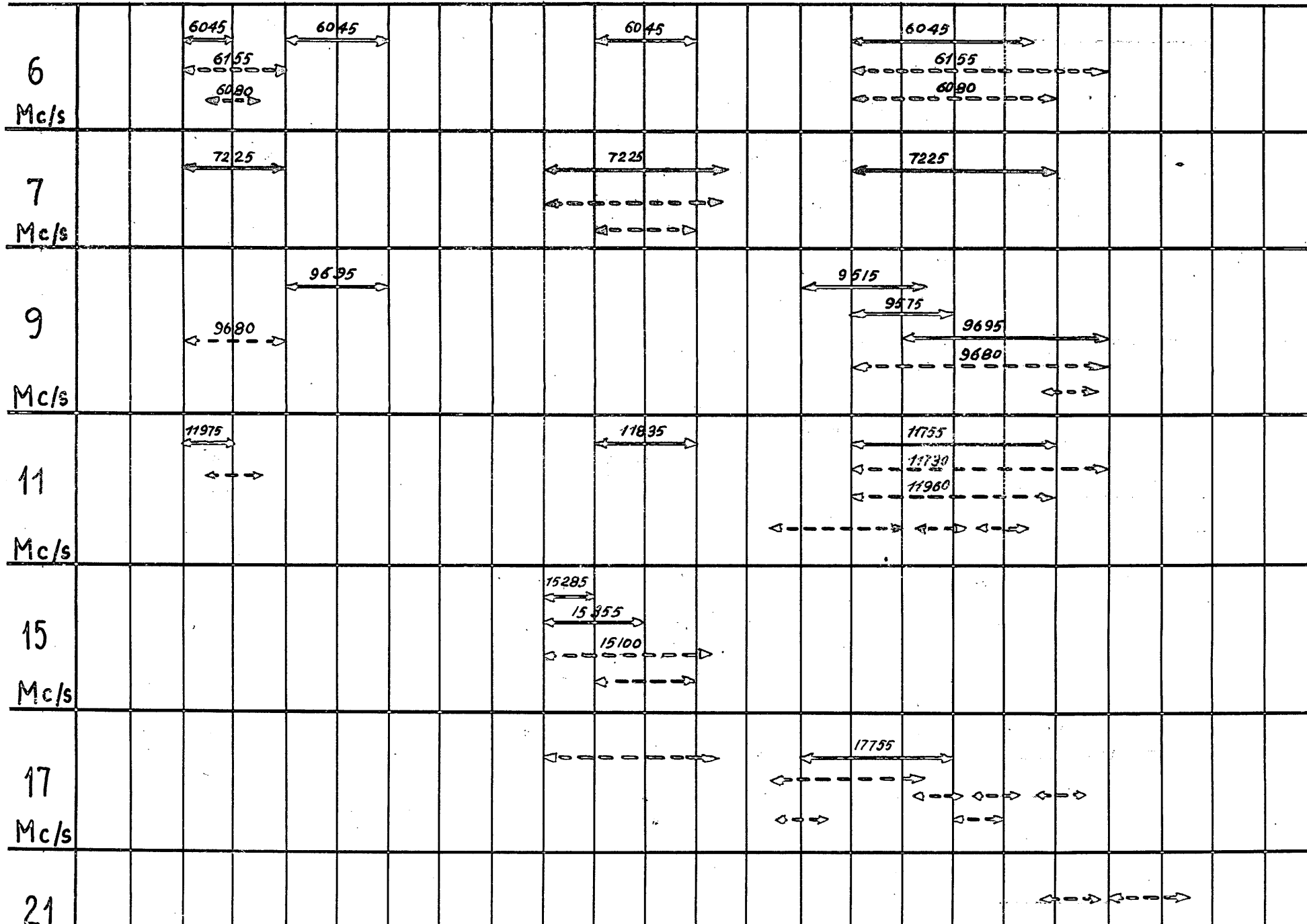
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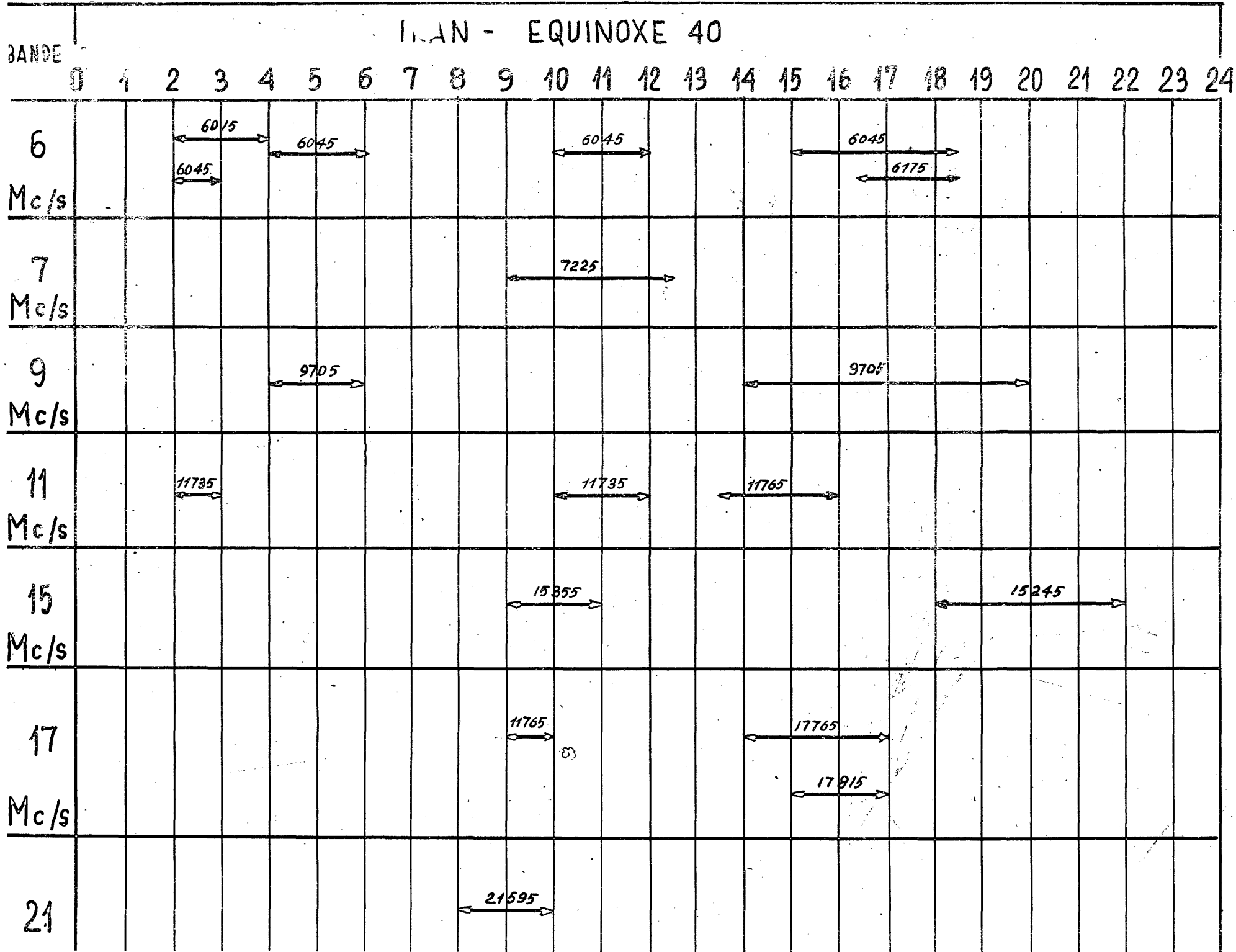


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24 April 1950

COMMITTEE 3

S Y R I A

The Chairman,  
International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference,  
Florence,

Sir,

The Delegation of Syria has the honour to attach with this letter the frequency requirements in the high frequency broadcasting bands as have been received from the technical authorities in the Yemen and Jordan governments. These submissions, as have been received, show the number of transmission hours required, the area to be served, the time of transmission and the other necessary technical information without any mention to the frequencies to be used, which may be chosen by the Conference as the optimum working frequency for the corresponding season on sunspot index. Dual frequencies shall be required for difficult circuits and overlapping frequencies in periods of rapid change in optimum working frequency.

The Syrian Delegation advised the Yemen and Jordan governments to confirm officially to the Conference the information given in this document.

In the meantime, we find it necessary to inform Committee 3 of these submissions before 26th April, which was fixed as the final date to submit requirements.

I remain, Sir,

respectfully yours,

(signed) M.R. Hamza  
For the Syrian Delegation.

24th April, 1950.

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ANNEX I

YEMEN REQUIREMENTS  
FOR HIGH FREQUENCY BROADCASTING

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Programme No. 1.

Transmitted to Yemen and Saudi Arabia.  
Power 5 kW, omnidirectional antenna.  
From 5 to 7, 10 to 13 and 15 to 21 G.M.T.

Programme No. 2

Transmitted to all the Middle East countries (Egypt, Lebanon, Syria,  
Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Turkey), Morocco, Tunisia, Iran and Ethiopia.  
Power 20 kW, omnidirectional antenna.  
From 5 to 7, 10 to 13, and 15 to 21 G.M.T.

Programme No. 3

Transmitted to Europe.  
Directional antenna with 10 db. gain. Power 20 kW.  
From 20 to 22 G.M.T.

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ANNEX II

JORDAN REQUIREMENTS  
FOR HIGH FREQUENCY BROADCASTING

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Programme No.	Receiving Area	Time of Transmission G.M.T.	Power kW	Antenna Gain	Azimuth	Distance (km)
1	39	5-7, 10-13, 15-21	10		omni	500-1000
2	38,39,40	5-7, 10-13, 15-21	20		omni	1000-2500
3	27, 28	20-22	20	10	215	2000-4000
4	13,14,15	22-02	50	10	245	10,000

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COMMITTEE 3

UNITED KINGDOM

The United Kingdom Delegation desires to bring to the attention of the Conference the basis on which it has submitted its modified requirements.

1. The restoration of the  $23\frac{1}{2}$  channel hours in the 15 and 17 Mc/s bands as covered by the U.K. reservation at Mexico City (See the Declaration on page 74 of the Mexico City Agreement).
2. The change of transmitter site from Georgetown (Area 12) to the United Kingdom (Area 27) for those channels assigned to Georgetown in the Basic Plan and the consequent changes in the required frequency bands.

Notes:

- (i) The requirements in the 26 Mc/s band are unchanged from those shown in the Basic Plan, but all assignments for Georgetown (Area 12) are transferred to the U.K. (Area 27).
- (ii) The need for 2. above arises from a decision, taken since the Mexico City Conference, to defer for some years the construction of the proposed Relay Station at Georgetown for the purpose of improving the propagation of certain services now originating from the United Kingdom. An allocation to Georgetown will be required in due course, but probably not before 1954. In the meantime importance is attached by the United Kingdom to the maintenance (from their present transmitter sites in the U.K.) of these services which have been in operation for over ten years.
- (iii) The total channel hours represented in these requirements are 544. Of this total  $520\frac{1}{2}$  (including 68 in the 26 Mc/s band) correspond with the Basic Plan allocations in the bands from 6 Mc/s to 26 Mc/s inclusive. The remaining  $23\frac{1}{2}$  are covered by 1. above.
3. The Delegation will in due course submit to Committee 4, in a similar form, its requirements in such other phases of the sunspot cycle as may be prescribed. In making these further submissions the U.K. requirements will reflect the importance attached by the U.K. to the maintenance of the fullest possible continuity of services (existing in operation and established over the last eighteen years) throughout the various phases of Solar and seasonal changes.

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T.C. Rapp  
Head of United Kingdom Delegation.



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COMMITTEE 3

Colonies, Protectorates, Overseas Territories, and  
Territories under the Mandate or Trusteeship of the  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

1. It is thought desirable to inform the Conference of the basis of the requirements presented on behalf of the Colonies, Protectorates, Overseas Territories, and Territories under the Mandate or Trusteeship of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
2. A total of  $317 \frac{1}{2}$  channel hours was assigned to the United Kingdom Colonies and Associated Territories in the Basic Plan. The requirements now submitted represent a total of 325 channel hours, being based on the Basic Plan assignments considered in conjunction with the reservations made at Mexico City regarding the assignments to Malaya, Nigeria, Kenya, and the Territories in the Caribbean Area. These reservations will be found on pages 69 and 70 of the document containing the Mexico City International High Frequency Broadcasting Agreement.
3. In order to keep within the total of 325 channel hours, which was accepted at the Mexico City Conference (Document 588 of that Conference refers), and at the same time present the requirements in a form that should lead to the rectification of the situation to which attention is drawn in the reservations referred to above, some slight redistribution of the total between the various territories has been necessary.
4. Some further slight redistribution of the total between the various territories has been effected to meet new circumstances that have arisen since the Mexico City Conference, notably a reduction of the requirements in the higher frequency bands of the territories in the Caribbean Area consequent upon a decision to postpone indefinitely construction of a central broadcasting station in that area and the inclusion of small requirements for Aden and Sierra Leone consequent upon a recent decision to establish high frequency broadcasting services in those territories.

P.W.F. Fryer  
Acting Head of Delegation



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COMMITTEE 4

G R E E C E

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Delegation of Greece:

Florence, 20 April 1950

Dear Sir,

I beg to draw the attention of the Conference to the following:

At the Mexico City High Frequency Broadcasting Conference Greece asked to be assigned two frequencies per band and about two hours' transmission per frequency, i.e. 16 frequencies and 36 hours' transmission in all, which at that time were considered essential to the needs of her national broadcasting.

Greece was unfortunately unable to send delegates to the Mexico City Conference to press these claims; she hoped, however, to receive fair treatment that would bear a logical relationship to the country's characteristics - her population, her area, her numerous communities scattered all over the world and, above all, her large merchant fleet that holds one of the first places in world shipping.

Unfortunately none of the above factors was taken into consideration in estimating Greece's needs, and her requirements were reduced to an unacceptable degree. Thus, in the Mexico City Basic Plan she receives 4 frequencies instead of the 16 she requires, and 6 hours' transmission instead of the 36 requested. Such an assignment is an injustice to Greece, for it means that two-thirds of her present transmissions are suppressed. Greece is thus placed on a considerably lower level than other countries which, although they have the same characteristics, have neither communities abroad nor a large merchant shipping fleet.

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The claims of Greece, contained in the proposals annexed hereto, are based on the T.P.C.'s work in Paris and they represent the strict minimum necessary to her requirements in view of her standing among nations.

Every effort has been made to fit our requirements into the plans prepared by the Technical Plan Committee without prejudicing other countries' assignments.

Greece earnestly hopes that her very legitimate claims will be accepted by the Florence Conference, for if they are rejected it will be pointless for her to agree to a plan that will strangle, a priori, all her material and moral interests in such a vital sphere of international activity as high frequency broadcasting.

I beg to remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

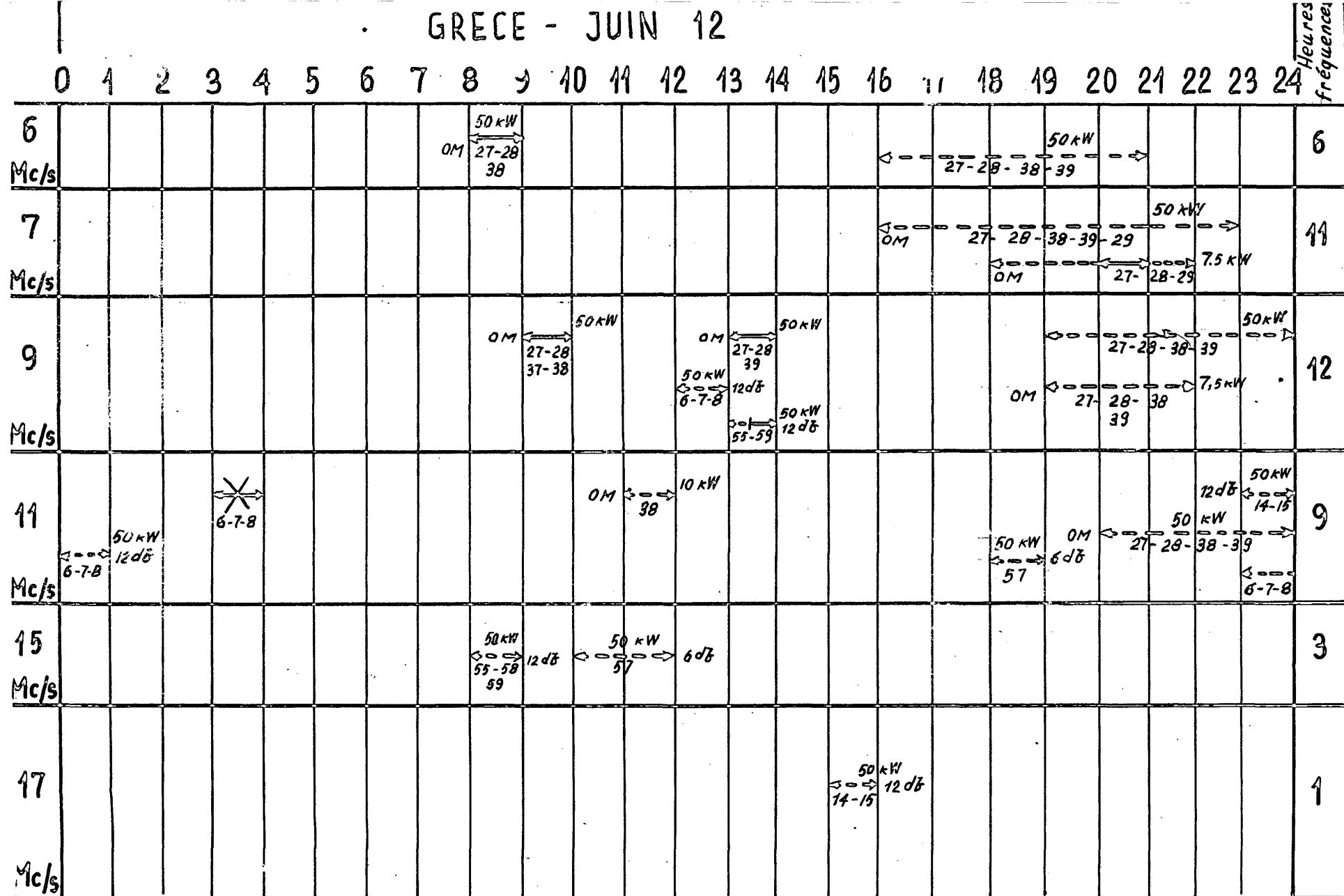
(signed) B. Aslanides

Head of the Greek Delegation

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# GRECE - JUIN 12



Total des heures-fréquences: 42

————— Accordées par la C.T.P. ~ Allocated by the T.P.C. ~ Concedidas por la C.T.P.

----- Demandées en plus ~ Additional requirements ~ Solicitudes adicionales

--- Non acceptées ~ Not accepted ~ No aceptadas

# GRECE - EQUINOXE 12

GRECE - EQUINOXE 12																									Heures fréquences	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
6 Mc/s	50 kW 6-7-8	12 dB	<del>6-7-8</del>															OM 27-28-39	50 kW 27-28-29-38-39					6-7-8	7	
7 Mc/s								OM 27-28-29	50 kW				OM	50 kW 27-28-38-39	50 kW 27-28-29			OM	50 kW 27-28-29-38-39							12
9 Mc/s								OM 27-28-29	10 kW			27-28-29	10 kW		OM	50 kW 27-28-38-39-29	50 kW 27-28-38-39							50 kW 14-15 12 dB		18
11 Mc/s										OM	50 kW 27-28-29-38	50 kW 55-59	12 dB													5
15 Mc/s														50 kW 14-15	12 dB			OM	50 kW 27-28-29	50 kW 27-28-29-38-39						11
17 Mc/s													50 kW 57	6 dB												2
Total des heures-fréquences																							55			

# GRECE - DECEMBRE 12

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Heure: fréq.
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7 1c/s							OM	50 kW 27-28					OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW			OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW			OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW	24 1/2
9 1c/s									50 kW 27-28 29				50 kW 27-28-29	50 kW 59	12dB			OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW 57	6dB		50 kW 27-28-29-38-39			12 1/2
11 1c/s												50 kW 55-59	12dB			50 kW 14-15	12dB									3
17 1c/s									50 kW 57	6dB																1
21 1c/s									50 kW 59	12dB																2
Total des heures-fréquences																										52



Heures  
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# GREC - EQUINOXE 40

GREC - EQUINOXE 40																								Heures fréquences			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
6 Mc/s				50 kW 6-7-8 15dB					28	10 kW 6dB								OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW 27-28-29-38-39	10 kW 27-28-39					13	
7 Mc/s																		OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW 27-28-29-38-39	OM	50 kW 38				13	
9 Mc/s				50 kW 5-7-8 15dB						OM	27-28-39	50 kW 27-28-39						OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW 27-28-29-38-39					6-7-8	17	
11 Mc/s												50 kW 6-7-8 15dB						OM	27-28-29-38-39	50 kW 27-28-29-38-39	50 kW 57 6dB		12dB	50 kW 14-15		13	
15 Mc/s														50 kW 55-59 12dB													2
21 Mc/s												50 kW 59 12dB				50 kW 14-15 12dB											5
																										Total des heures-fréquences	63

# GRE'E - DECEMBRE 40

GRE'E - DECEMBRE 40																									Heures fréquences				
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24				
6	← 50 kW 6-7-8 →		12 dB		✗ 10 kW 6-7-8																				9 1/2				
Mc/s																													
7									← 50 kW 27-28 →												← 50 kW 27-28-29-38-39 →		← 50 kW 27-28-29-38-39 →				11		
Mc/s																													
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Mc/s																													
11									← 50 kW 27-28-29 →						← 50 kW 55-59 →		12 dB						← 50 kW 27-28-29 →				7 1/2		
Mc/s																													
15													← 50 kW 27-28-29 →		50 kW		← 50 kW 57 →		6 dB						5				
Mc/s																													
Total des heures-fréquences																								39					

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COMMITTEE 4

FEDERAL PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC

OF YUGOSLAVIA

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Yugoslav Delegation :

"Sir,

We would ask you to regard this letter as supplementing the comments sent by the Broadcasting Board of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia to the Technical Plan Committee before its Paris and Florence sessions.

Firstly, we should like to point out that the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia was unable to sign the Mexico City Basic Plan because it did not meet our minimum vital needs, not only as regards the number of channel hours but also as regards schedules provided in the various bands covered in the Plan.

The F.P.R. of Yugoslavia, like other countries did, actually, agree to a considerable reduction in the number of channel hours originally requested, the figures being 141 and 80 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

On 8 June 1949, after sending in its comments on the Basic Plan, the Broadcasting Board of the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia offered its criticisms of the particular assignments made and at the same time suggested certain changes which it considered essential. These changes did not affect the way the total assignments in the Basic Plan were made (as provided for in the "Directives for the work of the T.P.C."); they were changes in the transmitting schedules within a single band, transfers of certain allotments from one band to another, and, finally, requests that the proximity of certain channels should be avoided in order to improve the degree of protection.

After studying the Basic Plan, we consider that all these modifications were quite feasible and not liable to cause interference with the transmissions of other countries or to give rise to objections.

However, we notice with regret, that in the six phases of the Plan drawn up by the TPC in Paris, not one of our suggestions has been taken into account, and neither has any attempt been made to improve the assignments made to Yugoslavia. We had hoped, moreover, that the TPC would have endeavoured to find a means of increasing the number of Members of the I.T.U.

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who would be in a position to sign the Mexico Agreement and the Plans annexed thereto, including the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, while in actual fact, several phases of the Plan, and in particular, those for December 40 and 12, are now even less acceptable to our country than the Basic Plan itself. These are the reasons for which the Broadcasting Board of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, in its reply dated 11 February 1950, did not make any comments on the degree of protection of transmissions or the location of assigned channels in relation to adjacent channels.

Furthermore, and after studying the TPC Report drawn up at Florence, the Yugoslav Delegation notices that among the considerable number of changes made by the TPC with a view to satisfying the requirements of the various Administrations concerned, the name of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia appears only four times (TPC Doc. No. 16). Moreover, the position of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, far from being improved as a result of these modifications, has on the contrary, deteriorated. Such, surely, is not the aim of the TPC.

- a) The first case is that of the plan for December 40, where assignments have been re-grouped in the same band. In the 9 Mc/s band, the assignment for the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia has been transferred from channel 15 to channel 23 (04-05 h.) in order to improve the position of another country. Thus, according to this modification, our country is to use five different bands, in place of four, for the same transmissions and within the same band. This is clearly a flagrant violation of point 1 of the Terms of Reference of the TPC Technical Group, which appear on page 1 of Document 16.
- b) The second case concerns the June 12 plan and the 7 Mc/s band. Once more, after a re-grouping of channels intended to rectify the situation of another country, the assignments to the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia have been transferred from channel 18 to channel 14, as a result of which we now have transmitters liable to cause interference in adjacent channels.
- c) The third change relates to the December 12 plan and the 15 Mc/s band. The changes in channels made to improve the degree of protection between adjacent channels have been made in the interests of two other countries, while the assignment to Yugoslavia, transferred in this case from channel 27 to channel 19, is now extremely badly protected, where the protection was formerly quite satisfactory.
- d) In the fourth case (June 40 plan) some improvement has been made in the assignment, where channels 19 and 29 have been re-grouped in channel 24 (21 Mc/s bands). Unfortunately, this improvement is the only one made, and is in itself easy to effect and of a merely symbolical nature, if it is borne in mind that the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia never requested any channel-hours in this band, which it does not intend to use.

In view of the foregoing, and considering the results of the work done in the preparation of the Plan, the Delegation of the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia is led to conclude that certain circumstances have arisen which make it necessary for it to revise and modify the requirements it presented in Mexico.

All the above observations concern the course of events during the work of the C.I.R.A.F., relating particularly to Yugoslavia, but there is another aspect in the development of events which have occurred since Mexico, which has a much more important and general significance for the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia.

The general position of the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia permits it to advance well-founded arguments in favour of the revision and modification of its requirements in relation to the Basic Plan. This is clearly a case of the "circumstances" mentioned in sub-paragraph c) of paragraph 3, Document 22.

For these reasons, therefore, the new requirements will be submitted to Committee 3, in order that it may examine, coordinate and regularize them, and finally include them in its report for transmission, via the Plenary Assembly, to the Phases of the Plan Committee.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

For the Delegation of the  
Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia.

(signed) Vojin Popovic.

24 April 1950

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COMMITTEE 3

FEDERAL PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA

The Chairman of the Conference has received the following letter from the Head of the Delegation of Yugoslavia :

"Mr. Chairman,

During the work of the C.I.R.A.F. in Mexico, the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia, inspired with a constructive spirit of international cooperation, and with a view to facilitating the preparation of the Plan, consented to considerable restrictions in the duration of transmission of its programmes, and thus accepted the reduction to  $80\frac{1}{2}$  of the 141 channel-hours it had previously requested.

It is well known, however, that the location of these  $80\frac{1}{2}$  channel-hours in the various bands, as well as the schedules provided in the Basic Plan, are unacceptable to the Yugoslav Broadcasting Board, not to mention the large number of channels allotted in the same band, too frequently interrupted transmissions, a low degree of protection and channels liable to cause interference.

Unfortunately, all these considerations prevented the Delegation of Yugoslavia from signing the Mexico Agreement and Basic Plan. Nevertheless, the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia sent in its comments and suggestions on 8 June 1949 and 11 February 1950, i.e. prior to the first and second sessions of the TPC respectively, in the hope that the Technical Plan Committee would make an effort to satisfy its minimum vital requirements.

The Yugoslav Broadcasting Board and the Delegation of Yugoslavia notice, however, that neither the proposed suggestions nor any kind of improvement appear in the TPC Plan, and that where the assignments to Yugoslavia are concerned, the position has deteriorated.

Details of this situation have been given in a letter sent this day to the Chairman of Committee 4, showing that from the point of view of the essential interests of the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia, at least, the results of the work on the preparation of the Plan have proved completely negative and, consequently, unacceptable.

However, the circumstances which arose during the High Frequency Broadcasting Conference constitute only one of the reasons, and not the principal one, for which the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia has been led to revise its requirements, thereby modifying its assignments in the Basic Plan.

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The development of the general situation of the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia since the Mexico Conference clearly comes into the category of "circumstances" mentioned in paragraph 3, sub-paragraph c) of the agenda of the Conference (Document No. 22). It is a well-known fact that the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia has today to contend with false information, calumny and pressure of every kind emanating from different quarters, and from henceforth and in the future, it is, and will be, obliged to increase the duration of its transmissions and to consider the structural development of its programmes, thus entailing a modification of schedules and reception areas.

Such is the general outline of the highly important and entirely justifiable reasons for which the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia is unable to forego certain transmissions or to shorten others, as is exacted in the Basic Plan.

Finally, the number of channel-hours, which was 141 in our original request, in Mexico, and which has been reduced subsequently to  $80\frac{1}{2}$ , will be fixed at 91 in our modified requirements.

The distribution of channel-hours in the bands (compared with those of the Basic Plan) is contemplated as follows :

	6 Mc/s	7 Mc/s	9 Mc/s	11 Mc/s	15 Mc/s	17 Mc/s	21 Mc/s	TOTAL
Basic Plan (June 70)	20	5	$10\frac{1}{2}$	8	15	12	10	$80\frac{1}{2}$
Modified Requirements	22	8	20	14	15	12	0	91

Particulars of programmes, transmission times, receiving areas and other details are given in a graph which has been submitted to Committee 3.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

For the Delegation of the  
Federal People's Republic  
of Yugoslavia,

(signed) Vojin Popovic.



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COMMITTEE 2

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Second Meeting, 10 a.m.

April 24, 1950

Chairman : Mr. Rafael J. Milans (Uruguay)  
First Vice-Chairman : Mr. E.H.R. Green (New Zealand)  
Second Vice-Chairman : Dr. E.R. Metzler (Switzerland)

1. Minutes of previous meeting (Doc.41) adopted.

2. Credentials

- 2.1 Document 65, mutatis mutandis, accepted as guide for appraising acceptability of credentials.
- 2.2 Proposal by Italian delegate to add to point 2 on page 2 of document 65, "b) telegrams coming from the authorities mentioned under point 1", adopted.
- 2.3 Question raised by Chairman as to whether Plenary Assembly should rule on decision to follow document 65 as guide.

Discussion participated in by Chairman, and delegates of U.S.A., Italy, U.K. and New Zealand.

Decided: Not necessary to have reference to Plenary Assembly on this question at this time. Document 65 is not contrary to Atlantic City Regulations. Committee's final Report will state methods employed and explain that examination of credentials has been by the same procedure as adopted at Mexico City Conference.

3. Participants. Secretary enumerated participating countries according to the following categories:

- A. Those presenting final credentials.  
B. Those presenting provisional credentials.



- C. Countries participating in the Conference by proxy.
- D. Observers.
- E. Special cases.
- F. Countries which have expressed the intention of not participating in the Conference.
- G. Countries which have not replied to the invitation sent by the Italian Government.
- H. International groups such as I.F.R.B., C.C.I.R. etc.

3.1 Delegations which left the Conference

A discussion took place on the subject of participation by the Soviet Union, Hungary, and other countries in the same position. The Secretary explained the status of these delegations based upon his records and indications which have been referred to his office. The Delegates of India and Italy participated in this discussion.

3.2 Miscellaneous.

The participation of the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, and Bolivia was the subject of discussion between the Secretariat and Delegates of India, Italy, and Ceylon.

The Delegate of Egypt explained the proxy relationship of Lebanon, and the Delegate of India explained the credentials and representation for Burma and Ethiopia.

4. Working Group

4.1 A working group was formed as follows :

Chairman of the Credentials Committee;  
Vice-Chairman of the Credentials Committee;  
Delegate of Italy;  
Delegate of the U.S.A.;  
Delegate of Ceylon.

4.2 Terms of Reference

The Working Group was charged with the examination of the various credentials submitted by the delegations. The Group will effect the classification of the various types and categories of credentials. In its work, the Working Group will follow the directions in document 65 as amended, concerning the provisional credentials, as proposed by the delegate of Italy.

5. China

The Delegate of Yugoslavia issued a statement, in respect of Chinese participation, which precipitated a discussion among the Chairman, and the delegates of India, Egypt, Italy, and the U.K. The Chairman stated he

thought this was a matter for the Plenary Assembly and not for the Committee on credentials. The Egyptian Delegate stated the Plenary Assembly had already decided the question. The Committee had only to discuss the credentials and not who was to represent China. The Indian Delegate reiterated the Committee had no part to overrule the practice of the Plenary Assembly; and also proposed ~~postponement~~ of further consideration of the question until the statement could be published. The Yugoslav Delegate stated it was not a question of trying to determine which Government should belong to the I.T.U. but merely whether the Administration was competent to assume the responsibilities and obligations in an international convention.

Decided:

To insert the declaration of the Yugoslav Delegate in the minutes of the meeting, so that the Committee might later on take a decision upon whether it should examine the matter itself or whether it should submit it to the Plenary Assembly.

5.1 The text of the declaration is as follows :

The Delegate of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia feels bound to make the following statement, which it wishes to have inserted in the minutes of the meeting and in the final report of the Credentials Committee.

In view of the situation actually existing in China after the war of liberation and the national and social revolution in that country, now that the Chinese people and its national army of liberation have come into power and expelled the former Kuomintang regime, it can be stated categorically that the Ministry of the P.T.T. and the Telecommunication Department of the Kuomintang Government no longer have any executive powers and are not in a position to take responsibility for the territory of China.

Moreover, it was decided at the first meeting of the Credentials Committee that credentials could be presented only by the competent administration, and Annex 2 to the International Telecommunication Convention states clearly that the competent administration is "any department or service of a government responsible for implementing the obligations undertaken in the International Telecommunication Convention and the Regulations annexed thereto."

Now it is precisely these indispensable conditions that are not fulfilled by the Ministry of the P.T.T. and the Telecommunication Department of the Kuomintang.

In these circumstances the Chinese delegate possessing credentials issued by the Kuomintang cannot, by his signature, guarantee that the terms laid down in the international agreement and the Plan annexed thereto will be carried out and respected in the territory of China.

For this reason the Delegation of the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia considers that the credentials of the Kuomintang delegates cannot be regarded as a valid document by the Second International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference.

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The Delegation of the F.P.R. of Yugoslavia therefore proposes that the Credentials Committee should resolve that the delegates of the Kuomintang P.T.T. Administration shall have the right neither to vote nor to sign the final documents of the Conference and the plans prepared by it.

The meeting closed at noon.

The Rapporteur :

Bartley P. Gordon

APPROVED :  
The Chairman :

Rafael J. Milans

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I T A L Y

Probable progress of the present solar cycle (cycle No.18)

Since there exists in Florence a Solar Physics Research Centre, the Delegation of Italy has much pleasure in making available to the Conference the forecasts prepared by this Centre for the present solar cycle. They are to be found in Annexes 1 and 2 to this document.

The C.N.R. Institute of Solar Physics at the Arcetri Observatory is working under the direction of Professor G. Abetti and is engaged in collecting and preparing all data on solar activity.

Observation of the sun is carried out :

- a) by photographic observations in the Solar Tower;
- b) by visual observations of rapidly changing phenomena (chromospheric bursts or "flares"), by means of a spectrohelioscope;
- c) by visual observations made with an Amici equatorial spectroscops.

Moreover, observations and checks of sunspots are made for about 280 days of the year, by the Zurich Observatory method.

On the basis of data collected it was possible to predict the date and intensity of the latest maximum (1947) accurately by using a purely physical method (see "Ricerca Scientifica" of the CNR - Roma - Anno 46 - No.10). The same method, suitably adapted, was used to predict the minimum of the present number 18 cycle.

It must be noted that, in preparing these predictions, no use is made either of mathematical concepts or of the laws of probability; they are prepared solely on the basis of study and comparison of former solar cycles, from the earliest on record.

The diagram (annex 2) shows that the Arcetri observations make it possible to make a prediction of sunspot minimum later (1955.5) and lower (R min between 2 and 4) than that of other observatories.



Annex 1 to Document No.96-E

Predictions for the progress of the current solar cycle (cycle No.18)

1. The relative sunspot numbers (Wolf numbers), obtained from observations made in Arcetri and Zurich, are the following :

1949	January	119	July	126
	February	183	August	131
	March	158	September	152
	April	149	October	132
	May	105	November	139
	June	124	December	119

For 1950, the provisional Arcetri numbers reduced to the Zurich scale, are as follows:

1950	January	110	
	February	97	
	March	94	
	April	95	(mean of 20 days' observations)

The curve of mean solar activity until 1950 was obtained from the undermentioned data (see Annex No.2).

2. As far as predicting the progress of the current solar cycle (no.18) is concerned, it must be noted that :

- this cycle has been the highest since cycle No.3 in 1778, which reached a maximum Wolf number of  $R_{\max} = 160$  ;
- up to now, the descending part of the curve following the 1947 maximum has a very gentle slope, so that it may be expected that the decrease will continue to progress slowly.

3. From the study of previous cycles it is possible to deduce the following approximate relation between the number  $R_m$ , the sunspot maximum of a cycle, and the surfaces A and B of the diagram for the periods preceeding and following the maximum (fig.1) :

$$R_m = 34 + 44 \frac{B}{A}$$

If this relation is accepted, it follows that, knowing the number  $R_m$  and the surface A, for the present cycle the surface B can be deduced.

It has also been found, from earlier cycles, that surface B can be expressed by a function of the product  $R_m \Delta t$ .

$$B = f (R_m \Delta t),$$

so that, once B and  $R_m$  are known, it is possible to calculate graphically  $R_m \Delta t$  and, consequently, to obtain the date of the minimum.

4. From calculations made on the basis of already available data it appears that the minimum should occur towards the middle of 1955 and be relatively lower than the minimum of the previous cycle.

Accordingly, we show the continuation of the descending part of the current cycle by the curve traced on the diagram (Annex 2).

Having studied all cycles on record, we may assume that the present cycles will probably be followed by a low cycle.

To conclude, we would point out that these predictions are of an empirical nature and each cycle presents peculiar and unpredictable characteristics.

Giorgio Abetti  
Director of the Arcetri Observatory

26 April, 1950

(signed) Giorgio Abetti

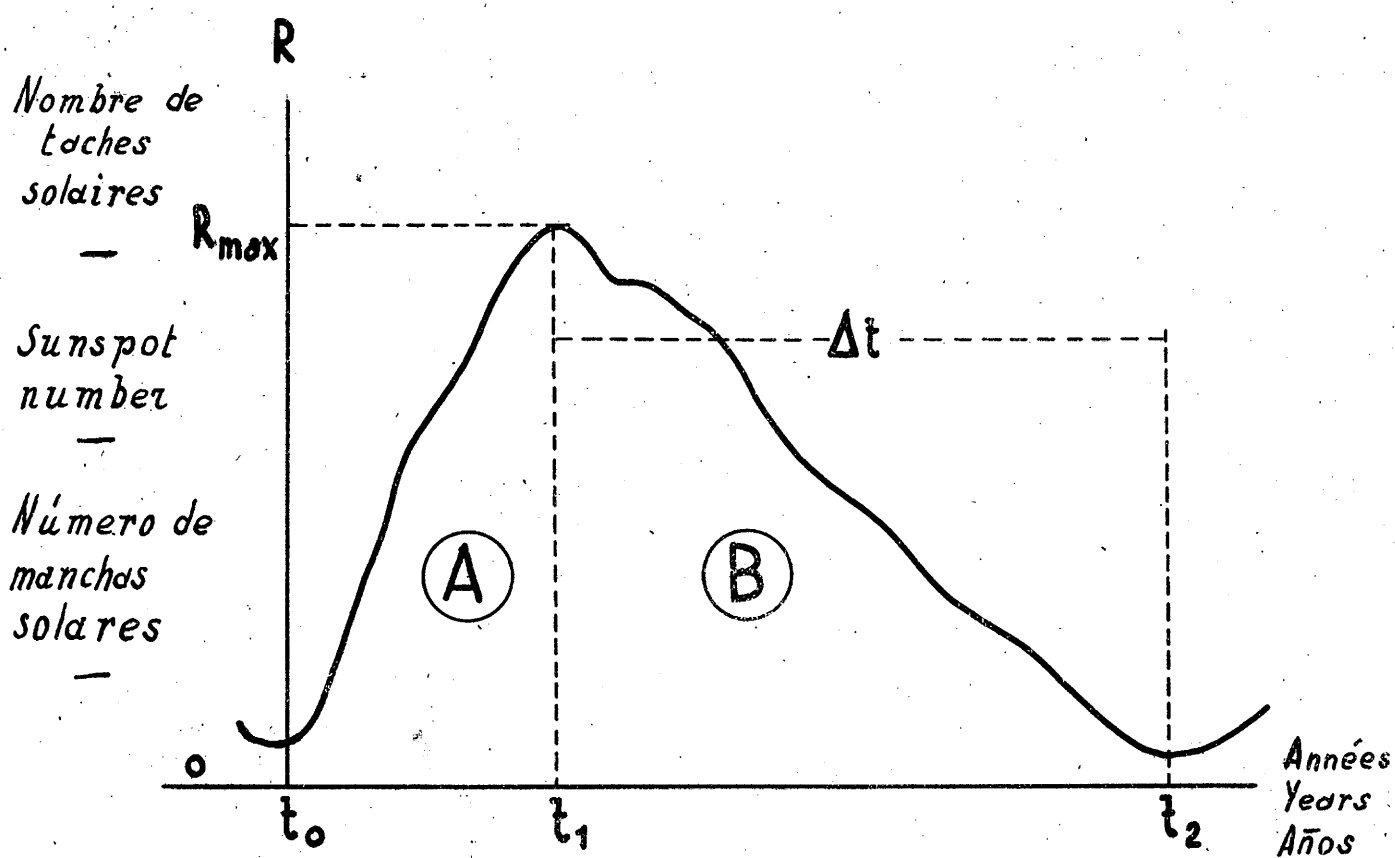
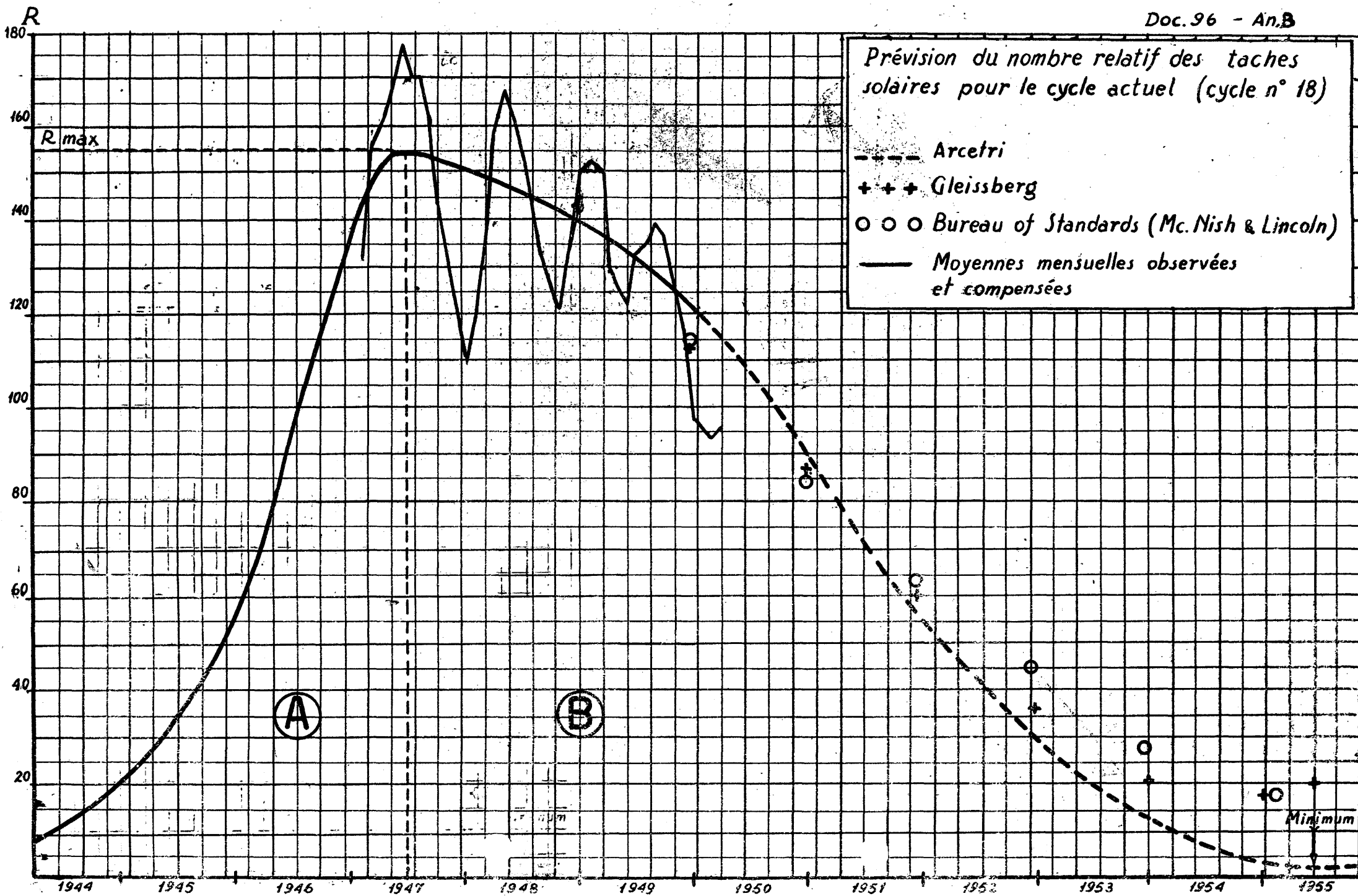


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COMMITTEE 3

REPORT OF WORKING GROUP 3A

Working Group 3A, following its terms of reference, has completed the assignment as outlined therein. The terms of reference in their final form are as follows :

"To examine the requirements aiming at modification of the Basic Plan of Mexico City submitted as a result of recent circumstances which have arisen since the original requirements were submitted in Mexico, to analyse these requirements, to summarize and assess the arguments put forward in writing by countries in support of these new requirements and to submit a report to Committee 3 by April 25th at the latest. During its work, the Group may interview individual delegations should this prove necessary."

Modified requirements were received from administrations on behalf of the following 29 countries, territories, etc. :

Belgian Congo	Morocco and Tunisia
Belgium	Netherlands
Burma	New Zealand
Canada	Norway
Ceylon	Pakistan
Denmark	Portuguese Colonies
Dominican Republic	Syria
French Overseas Territories	United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Germany (American, British and	Northern Ireland
French zones of occupation)	U.K. Colonies
Greece	United States of America
India	U.S.A. - Tangier
Italy and Italian Somaliland	U.S.A. - Territories
Japan	United States of Indonesia
Lebanon	Vatican City
	Yugoslavia

The results of the work accomplished are set out in Annex A. It will be seen therefrom that the proposals of the countries are classified under two headings; (1) circumstances, under which is given a summary, made by the group, of the facts stated by the administrations in their covering notes submitted with their proposals and (2) nature of modifications.

Where the information put forward by the administrations was considered incomplete or where additional points of clarification were desired, either on the arguments or the nature of the modifications requested, the Working Group interviewed delegates representing the concerned administrations, and in all cases received the necessary clarification.

Taken as a whole, the modified requirements involve an addition of somewhat more than 600 frequency hours to the total already contained in the Basic Plan. It has not been possible, however, to give an exact figure because certain administrations have requested modifications in terms of program hours instead of frequency hours.

It should also be noted that the Delegation of India reserves its position as regards the submission of a request for additional channel hours. This reservation is contained in Annex B of this report.

R.H. Cairns,  
Chairman.

ANNEX A

VATICAN CITY

Circumstances :

Political: The Vatican City considers that an extension of the programs is necessary as a consequence of the changed conditions of its communication with certain countries of Europe.

Nature of Modifications :

Extension of time 1800 - 2200 G.M.T. as against 1900 - 2000 G.M.T. in the 7 Mc/s band.

FRENCH OVERSEAS TERRITORIES :

Circumstances :

Political: change of political structure of territory previously called Indochina, the consequence of which was to substitute for one single centralized service, several independent services.

Nature of Modifications :

General distribution unchanged as far as the Basic Plan is concerned except for an increase relating mainly to the 9 and 11 Mc/s bands. Total increase is 15 hours, distributed as follows :

<u>Band</u>	<u>No. of hours</u>
6 Mc/s	1
7 "	$\frac{1}{2}$
9 "	5
11 "	7
15 "	1
17 "	$\frac{1}{2}$

INDONESIA :

Circumstances :

Political: modification of political structure. Government now changed from a centralized government to that of an independent federation of states. This does not include the territory of Dutch New Guinea which remains under the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Nature of Modifications :

Important reshuffling of the distribution in regard to the Basic Plan. Reduction of total channel hours (184.5 as against 208 in the Basic Plan).

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UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN & NORTHERN IRELAND :

Circumstances :

- (1) Reference to the reservations which are outlined in the Annex to the Mexico City Agreement.
- (2) Temporary change of transmitter site arising out of a delay in the setting up of the proposed relay station at Georgetown (involving 45 channel hours).

Nature of Modifications :

General distribution of the Basic Plan unchanged, to a certain extent.

Addition of  $23\frac{1}{2}$  hours to the 15 and 17 Mc/s bands. (Refer to reservation annexed to the Mexico City Agreement).

Temporary change of transmitter site from zone 12 to zone 27. This change involves 45 channel hours and implies a corresponding change in frequency bands.

NETHERLANDS :

Circumstances :

- (1) Change of political structure. The territory of Dutch Guinea, which was previously included in Indonesia (Dutch East Indies) does not form part of the United States of Indonesia, recently constituted, but is directly connected with the Netherlands. The status of Curacao, Surinam and the other islands of the Caribbean area has been changed since the time of the Mexico City Conference from colonies to integral parts of the territories of the Netherlands.
- (2) The cultural ties between the Netherlands and that part of the African speaking population of the Union of South Africa which is of Dutch descent, have been considerably intensified since the time of the Mexico City Conference.

Nature of Modifications :

Request for 15 additional frequency hours originating in New Guinea, zone 51. Also additional hours as follows :

<u>Circuit</u>	<u>No. of hours</u>
27 - 51	13
27 - 11, 12	14
27 - 53, 57	5
27 - 38, 39, 40	3

Total of 50 additional hours requested.

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ITALY and ITALIAN SOMALILAND :

Circumstances :

Political: Assignment by U.N.O. of the trusteeship of the territory, called Italian Somaliland, to Italy.

Nature of Modifications :

Increase of 29 frequency hours, 22 of which are for stations situated in Italian Somaliland and 7 for stations situated in Italy - Italian Somaliland did not receive any assignments in the Basic Plan.

DENMARK :

Circumstances :

Technical; owing to difficulty in reaching the Faroe Islands with long and medium waves.

Nature of Modifications :

Request for one additional channel hour, between the hours of 13 and 14 G.M.T. in the 7 Mc/s band.

U.K. COLONIES :

Circumstances :

- (1) Reservation annexed to the Mexico City Agreement.
- (2) Internal decisions of the concerned administration.

Nature of Modifications :

- (1) Increase by  $7\frac{1}{2}$  channel hours overall.
- (2) Important changes in the distribution of the Basic Plan at least as far as certain territories are concerned.

CEYLON :

Circumstances:

- I. Political: Change of political structure; Ceylon having now acquired independence.
- II. Technical; resulting from the predicted sunspot activity for the next few years.

Nature of Modifications:

Changes in certain reception areas.

Some deletions, resulting from the technical circumstances, and some additions resulting in a total increase of 7 channel hours.

BELGIUM :

Circumstances:

- (1) Technical; inconsistency between theory and practice in regard to the propagation on certain circuits assigned in the Basic Plan.
- (2) Internal decisions as to the distribution of programs.

Nature of Modifications:

- (1) Increase of power to 100 kW in certain cases.
- (2) Rectification of some material errors regarding the zones of reception.
- (3) 5 cases of additions to zones of reception.
- (4) 5 cases of changes of band without modifying the time schedules.

PAKISTAN :

Circumstances:

Recalling the particular case of the country which was mentioned in paragraph 1 (c) of article 15 in the Mexico City Agreement.

Dn/Rg

PAKISTAN (continued) :

Nature of Modifications:

- (1) Additions to reception areas for certain circuits assigned in the Basic Plan.
- (2) Change of indicated transmitter powers from 7.5 kW to 7.5/10 kW in some instances and from 10 kW to 10/50 kW in other instances.
- (3) One time shift of one hour.  
No additions to or deletions from totals.

BURMA :

Circumstances:

Basic Plan does not satisfy the minimum requirements. (Non signatory country to the Mexico City Agreement).

Nature of Modifications:

- (1) 13 hours additional in the 6 Mc/s band.
- (2) Country objects to order of frequencies but will submit its recommendations later.
- (3) Regrouping of channels in the Basic Plan.

BELGIAN CONGO :

Circumstances:

- (a) Technical; the experience of country itself having shown that in view of its geographical location, the absorption is greater than that shown in the documents used by the Conference.
- (b) Rearrangement of the internal organization of programs.

Nature of Modifications:

- (1) Correction of certain errors in the Basic Plan.
- (2) Some changes of band, of program hours and transmitter power. The total number of channel hours is not increased.

Dn/Rg



CANADA :

Circumstances:

Technical: the country's experience having shown that the absorption over the paths concerned is greater than it had been thought to be at the time the requirements were submitted to Mexico City.

Nature of Modifications:

- (1) The powers of certain transmitters which were previously rated at 50 kW have been increased to 100 kW.
- (2) Rectification to certain reception zones as indicated in the Basic Plan.

NORWAY :

Circumstances:

Internal decision of the administration of the country concerned, based on the experience gained with a view to obtaining the maximum efficiency of transmissions.

Nature of Modifications:

Some changes of time and modification of reception zones without an increase in the total number of hours assigned.

INDIA :

Circumstances:

- (1) The change of political structure in the recent past; the adoption of Hindi as the national language; request for services from overseas listeners.
- (2) Technical: (experience recently acquired concerning ionospheric measurements).

Nature of Modifications:

General distribution of Basic Plan maintained to a certain extent. Modifications to reception zones, frequencies, and time shifts without any request for additional channel hours.  
(See however the reservation contained in Annex B).

Dn/Rg

U.S.A. :

Circumstances:

- (1) Technical: the country concerned has changed, and will change, locations of some transmitters and has, and is constructing additional transmitters at new locations.
- (2) Internal decisions of the Head of Government on organization of its programs (non signatory country);
  - (a) The government concerned has decided that its international obligations and responsibilities require additions to its high frequency broadcasting program. (It has also been noted that the allocations to the U.S.A. are not proportional to those of other large countries).
  - (b) The government concerned has decided to expand its international information programs in order to insure to all parts of the world a realistic factual dissemination of ideas and to maintain a clear understanding without distortions of its policies.

Nature of Modifications:

Proposals have been submitted in the form of program hours. Where double or overlapping frequencies should prove necessary to guarantee a service to listeners, this would result in additional hours. 84 additional program hours have been requested but the actual number of frequency hours involved is not at this time known. Modifications to 15 channel hours assigned in the Basic Plan have also been requested.

U.S.A. - TANGIER :

Circumstances:

- (1) Technical: New transmitters have been and are being built.
- (2) Internal decisions of the Head of government on organization of its programs.
  - (a) The government concerned has decided that its international obligations and responsibilities require additions to its high frequency broadcasting program.
  - (b) The government concerned has decided to expand its international information programs in order to insure to all parts of the world a realistic factual dissemination of ideas and to maintain a clear understanding without distortions of its policies.

Den/Rg

U.S.A. - TANGIER (continued) :

Nature of Modifications:

Proposals have been submitted in the form of program hours. Where double or overlapping frequencies should prove necessary to guarantee a service to listeners, this would result in additional hours. 86 additional program hours have been requested but the actual number of frequency hours involved is not, at this time, known.

U.S.A. TERRITORIES :

Circumstances:

- (1) Technical: the country concerned has changed, and will change, locations of some transmitters and has and is constructing additional transmitters at new locations.
- (2) Internal decisions of the Head of government on organisation of its programs (non signatory country);
  - (a) The government concerned has decided that its international obligations and responsibilities require additions to its high frequency broadcasting program. (It has also been noted that the allocations to the U.S.A. Territories are not proportional to those of other large countries).
  - (b) The government concerned has decided to expand its international information programs in order to insure to all parts of the world a realistic factual dissemination of ideas and to maintain a clear understanding without distortions of its policies.

Nature of Modifications:

Proposals have been submitted in the form of program hours. Where double or overlapping frequencies should prove necessary to guarantee a service to listeners, this would result in additional hours. 84 additional program hours have been requested but the actual number of frequency hours involved is not, at this time, known. Modifications to 21 channel hours assigned in the Basic Plan have also been requested.

JAPAN :

Circumstances:

Internal decision of the administration of the country under consideration concerning modification of programmings.

Dn/Rg

JAPAN (continued) :

Nature of Modifications:

Change of reception zones, frequency, time of transmission and characteristics of antenna concerning one frequency hour. No addition of channel hours.

GERMANY :

1. AMERICAN ZONE OF OCCUPATION

Circumstances:

The government concerned has decided:

- (a) that its occupation responsibilities require additions to its high frequency broadcasting program;
- (b) to expand its international programs with reference to its occupation responsibilities in order to insure to all parts of the world a realistic factual dissemination of ideas and to maintain a clear understanding of its occupation policies.

Nature of Modifications:

Addition of 53 program hours.

2. BRITISH ZONE OF OCCUPATION

Circumstances:

Refer to reservation annexed to the Mexico City Agreement.

Nature of Modifications:

Increase of 51 channel hours distributed as follows:

<u>Band</u>	<u>No. of hours</u>
6	4
7	21
9	26

There is also a time shift in the 6 Mc/s band.

GERMANY (continued)

3. FRENCH ZONE OF OCCUPATION

Circumstances :

Political; development of the situation in Germany.

Nature of Modifications :

Increase of  $38\frac{1}{2}$  frequency hours, distributed as follows :

<u>Band</u>	<u>No. of hours</u>
6 Mc/s	16 $\frac{1}{2}$
7 "	10
9 "	12

PORTUGUESE COLONIES :

Circumstances :

Transcription errors of the Basic Plan.

Nature of Modifications :

Rectification of this error resulting in the following :

Changes of transmitter zone, reception zones, power, etc. for 3 hours in the 21 Mc/s band.

SYRIA :

Circumstances :

Transcription errors of the Basic Plan.

Nature of Modifications :

Rectification of these errors as follows :

- (a) Channel No. 6 in the 9 Mc/s band from 5 - 7, 10 - 13, and 15 - 18 GMT mentioned in the Plan as transmitted to areas 38 and 39, to be corrected to be transmitted to areas 38, 39 and 40.
- (b) Channel No. 11 in the 11 Mc/s band from 20 - 22 GMT mentioned in the Plan as transmitted to area 38 to be corrected to be transmitted to areas 27 and 28.

Dn/Bc

LEBANON :

Circumstances :

- (1) Disagreement with the assignments made in the Basic Plan (Did not sign Mexico City Agreement).
- (2) Internal decision of the administration of the country, resulting in an increase of channel hours as compared with the original requirements.

Nature of Modifications :

Overall increase of 27 channel hours, comprising a request of 30 additional channel hours and a deletion of 3 channel hours, distributed as follows :

<u>Band</u>	<u>No. of hours</u>
6 Mc/s	+ 3
7 "	+ 9
9 "	+ 10
11 "	+ 4
15 "	+ 3
17 "	+ 4
21 "	0

GREECE :

Circumstances :

Misunderstanding on the part of the Mexico City Conference in regard to the requests submitted.

The telegram was somewhat ambiguous.  
(Non-signatory to the Mexico City Agreement).

Nature of Modifications :

Overall increase of 43 channel hours distributed as follows :

<u>Band</u>	<u>No. of hours</u>
6 Mc/s	10
7 "	14
9 "	4
11 "	9
15 "	4
17 "	0
21 "	2

NEW ZEALAND :

Circumstances :

In the event of adjustments to the Basic Plan a decision was made to change the program requirements in an attempt to attain allotments which would be most suitable to the country, the opinion of the New Zealand delegation being that the geographical location of this country would probably make it possible to attain such improvement without making the drafting of a plan more difficult.

Nature of Modifications :

- (1) Time shifts and frequency changes involving seven hours, as follows :

delete in 6 Mc/s band, 1200 - 1400 GMT  
" " 21 " " 2100 - 2200 GMT  
" " 21 " " 0000 - 0400 GMT

and add in 6 or 9 Mc/s band the period 0500 - 1200 GMT.

- (2) An addition of one frequency hour between 0100 and 0200 GMT to serve reception zones 56 and 62.

YUGOSLAVIA :

Circumstances :

General considerations :

partly political;  
partly reorganization of structure of programs;  
partly non-acceptance of the Basic Plan.  
(Country non-signatory to the Mexico City Agreement).

Nature of Modifications :

Overall increase of  $10\frac{1}{2}$  frequency hours, comprising  $20\frac{1}{2}$  additional frequency hours and a deletion of 10 frequency hours, distributed as follows :

<u>Band</u>	<u>No. of hours</u>
6 Mc/s	+ 2
7 "	+ 3
9 "	+ $9\frac{1}{2}$
11 "	+ 6
15 "	0
17 "	0
21 "	- 10

MOROCCO AND TUNISIA :

Circumstances :

Recall the reservations made in Mexico and set out in the agreement.

Nature of Modifications :

Changes of bands and time shifts involving 10 frequency hours without any addition of frequency hours.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC :

Circumstances :

Interior decision of the country concerned, relating to its programs.

Nature of Modifications :

Changes in bands and reception zones concerning 3 frequency hours.  
No addition of frequency hours.

Dn/Bc



Annex B

(INDIA)

The remark in the Summary under the heading "Nature of Modifications".  
"....without any requests for additional channel hours" is subject to an important reservation. India's reservation is that if any increase in the channel hours allotted to any country in the Basic Plan is considered by this Conference, India completely reserves its position to submit fresh additional demands (over the original requirements submitted at Mexico City) as it deems fit.

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Corrigendum N°1  
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8 May 1950

COMMITTEE 1

STEERING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting on 26 April 1950

Page 2, para 2 after second sub-paragraph, delete the sentence "This request had been granted" and replace by the following text:

"Mr.T.C.Rapp(United Kingdom) explained the circumstances in which he had addressed the letter to the President of the Conference asking for a meeting of the Steering Committee to consider holding a Plenary Assembly before leaving Florence. The United Kingdom delegation had thought that such a meeting should be held to review progress during the first month and had therefore been disappointed to learn that a meeting of the restricted Steering Committee Group had decided that no such Assembly was necessary. It could not agree that such a decision was within the competence of this Group; the matter should have been referred to a full Steering Committee meeting. It had to be pointed out that the Steering Committee had only met once since it was constituted and it was the opinion of the United Kingdom delegation that this Committee, composed as it was of the Heads of all the Delegations to the Conference, should meet regularly to take important decisions on the general administration of the Conference. Since writing the letter referred to, Mr.Rapp continued, the President of the Conference had explained to him the difficulties of holding a Plenary before leaving Florence and he had therefore agreed not to press his proposal. Nevertheless he had asked for the present meeting of the Steering Committee so that Heads of Delegations could be informed of the arrangements made for the transfer to Rapallo and could take decisions for the speedy resumption of work. "

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COMMITTEE I

STEERING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting on 26 April 1950, at 10 a.m.

Palazzo Strozzi

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED

1. Chairmanship of the meeting.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Progress of the work of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups.
4. Place of the next Plenary Assembly.
5. Agenda of the next Plenary Assembly.
6. Time-table of meetings.
7. Limited Committee: Credentials.
8. List of Participants in the Conference.
9. Spanish Rapporteur.
10. Work of the Secretariat.
11. Removal to Rapallo; memorandum from the Reception Committee.

CHAIRMAN : Mr. G. Gneme, First Vice-Chairman of the Conference,  
deputising for Professor G. Vallauri.

VICE-CHAIRMAN : Mr. J. Paul Barringer (Territories of the United States  
of America).

SECRETARY : Mr. J. Millot

Mr. L. Mulatier, Secretary General of the Union, was also present.



1. Chairmanship of the Meeting

Mr. Gneme, Vice-Chairman of the Conference, announced that Mr. G. Vallauri was unwell and had directed him to occupy the Chair.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Chairman said that the limited group of the Steering Committee had drawn up the time-table for that week in a meeting on 21 April and had decided that, for practical reasons and because no urgent matters had arisen, there was no need to call a Plenary Assembly of the Conference before it removed to Rapallo.

On the same day, the Head of the United Kingdom Delegation had requested by letter that the Steering Committee should meet to consider the possibility of calling a Plenary Assembly of the Conference on Saturday, 29 April, in Florence.

This request had been granted.

The Committee had the following agenda before it for approval :

- 1) Progress of the work of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups; any proposals to expedite the work or for new terms of reference.
- 2) List of questions for submission to the Plenary Assembly.

The above agenda was adopted without discussion.

3. Progress of the work of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups

Mr. R.J. Milans (Uruguay) said that Committee 2 (Credentials), of which he was Chairman, had held two meetings. It had decided to adopt the procedure followed at Mexico City for checking credentials, with slight modifications. It had also appointed a group to check credentials, consisting of the Chairman of the Committee and the Delegates of the United States of America, Italy and Ceylon.

Mr. Daumard (France) said that Committee 3 (Requirements), of which he was Chairman, had met four times and had set up Sub-Group 3A for "modified requirements", with Mr. Cairns (Canada) as Chairman, and Sub-Group 3B for "new requirements", with Mr. E.H.R. Green (New Zealand) as Chairman. The two Sub-Groups would probably have finished their work by the evening. As the Committee was to meet that afternoon, the report could probably be finished by the last days of the month.

Mr. C.E. Arboleda (Colombia) said that Committee 4 (Phases of the Plan) had met three times and had set up a Technical Sub-Committee, with Mr. Sastry (India) as Chairman, and Group 4A, with Mr. Metzler (Switzerland) as Chairman. The Group itself had split into several sub-groups.

The Committee and its subsidiary bodies had been faced with a rather serious difficulty, as its terms of reference were not clear enough, particularly as regards assignments to countries which, for one reason or another, were not represented at the Conference. It would be impossible to submit a complete report at the next meeting of the Plenary Assembly. If it was thought desirable, a general report could, however, be submitted to the Conference.

Mr. L. Sastry (India) said that the Technical Sub-Committee had considered various problems referred to it by Committees 4 and 5. A report on one of the problems had already been published. Within two or three meetings the Sub-Committee would have solved the difficulties encountered, inter alia, in the matter of seasonal changes and changes in relation to the sunspot cycle, and would submit a final report.

Mr. Metzler (Switzerland) said that Group 4A, directed to review the final report by the TPC, had worked very hard. Sub-Group 1 (Consideration of observations on the 6 Phases of the Plan) would probably have finished its work by the time the Conference left Florence.

As regards the point raised by the Chairman of Committee 4, he observed that the terms of reference given to Committee 4, like those given to Group 4A, mentioned "delegations". The Plenary Assembly would therefore have to give instructions concerning the many countries not represented at the Conference.

Mr. P.W. Fryer (United Kingdom) said that Committee 5 had met twice and had set up Working Group 5A, with Mr. H. Leotte (Portugal) in the Chair. The Group had made a detailed study of the functions enumerated in Annex 1 to the Mexico City Agreement.

As the matters submitted to Committee 4 had not yet been dealt with, it was not very probable that a report on the progress of Committee 4's work could be submitted before the departure from Florence or immediately upon arrival in Rapallo. However, a quite provisional and general report could, of course, be submitted at any time.

Mr. El Bardai (Egypt) said that Committee 7 (Budget Control) had held only one meeting, as it did not have the documents it needed. However, it would meet again on 29 April to study the questions submitted to it by the Plenary Assembly and Committee 4.

#### 4. Place of the next Plenary Assembly

Before dealing with the agenda proper, the Committee discussed at length the advisability of convening the Plenary Assembly of the Conference in Florence before 3 May rather than in Rapallo on 8 May. The trend of the discussion was that the Conference should speed up its work and resume activity in Rapallo on Monday, 8 May, at as early an hour as possible.

It was moreover essential that a review of the work so far achieved should be prepared as speedily as possible, and that could be done only at a Plenary Assembly of the Conference. However, for technical reasons (dismantling and installing and testing the simultaneous interpretation equipment; transport by lorry; transport of equipment and luggage; equipment of offices) and other reasons (public holiday on May 1; additional expense if the programme were changed, etc) it would be difficult to convene a Plenary Assembly of the Conference before the removal to Rapallo or directly after arrival there.

In the circumstances, the Committee decided to convene the Plenary Assembly of the Conference at Rapallo on Wednesday, 10 May, at 10 a.m.

5. Agenda of the next Plenary Assembly

The Committee decided :

1) that the Chairmen of Committees, Sub-Committees etc. and delegations should inform the Chairman of the Conference by Saturday, 29 April, of any items which they wish to be included in the agenda of the Plenary Assembly.

2) that the agenda of the assembly should be distributed to delegations before the departure for Rome.

It was already decided that the following items would appear on the agenda:

1. Consideration of the report by Committee 3 (Requirements).
2. Consideration of the provisional report of Committee 4 (Phases of the Plan).
3. Terms of reference of Committee 4; frequency assignments to countries not represented at the Conference (see, inter alia, Document 53).
4. Frequency requirements for Palestine submitted by Egypt, and letter from Committee 4 to the Chairman of the Conference.
5. Statements contained in telegrams from the administrations of the P.T.T.s of the U.S.S.R., the Ukrainian S.S.R., the Bielorussian S.S.R. and the People's Republic of Hungary regarding non-participation in the expenses of the Florence Conference.
6. . . . . (any other business for which inclusion on the agenda is requested).
- n Approval of minutes of previous plenary meetings (from the first to the seventh).

6. Time-Table of meetings

The Committee decided :

- 1) that it would meet regularly every two weeks or more often, if this proved necessary;
- 2) that the next meeting would be held at Rapallo on Monday 8 May, at 10 a.m.

Furthermore, it was also noted that :

Committee 3 would meet on Monday, 8 May, at 4 p.m.

Committee 2 would meet on Tuesday, 9 May, at 10 a.m.

Committee 4 would meet on Tuesday, 9 May, at 4 p.m.

During this discussion, Mr. Mulatier, Secretary General of the I.T.U., emphasized the need of speeding up the work and recalled that there would be two rooms equipped for simultaneous interpretation at Rapallo, and as they were both in the same building, there would be no further need to use only one, as had been the case at Florence. Thus, two committees using simultaneous interpretation could meet at the same time and this fact should be borne in mind henceforth when drawing up the programme.

#### 7. Limited Committee

During the discussion the question was raised as to whether the Limited Committee was competent to decide upon the convening of the Plenary Assembly.

The Committee decided that this was one of its prerogatives and that the Limited Committee should abide strictly by its terms of reference.

#### 8. List of participants in the Conference

In reply to the Delegate of the United Kingdom, who announced that he had only received the list of participants that day, Mr. Millot, Secretary, and the Chairman explained that the chief reason for this delay was a practical one, the necessary information not being to hand in due time.

#### 9. Spanish rapporteur

In the course of the discussion of the previous item, Mr. Arboleda (Colombia) expressed his surprise at the absence of a Spanish-speaking rapporteur, and feared that the full importance of this language had not been appreciated. He suggested that the matter should be included in the agenda of the next Plenary Assembly.

No request for a Spanish rapporteur had been made at the first Plenary Assembly.

#### 10. Work of the Secretariat

At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Millot said that all documents handed in to the Secretariat of the Conference in Florence on Tuesday 2 May, before 1 p.m. would be distributed at Rapallo on Saturday 6 May in the evening. Delegates would also receive their mail at that time. The Secretariat would publish a notice asking delegates to hand in before 1 p.m. on 2 May any texts which they wished to have reproduced.

11. Removal to Rapallo: Memorandum from the Reception Committee

In answer to the representative of the United Kingdom, who had enquired about the measures to be taken concerning the delegations' equipment, the responsibility of transport agencies, etc., the Chairman announced that a memorandum giving all the necessary details concerning the removal to Rapallo would be distributed by the Reception Committee in due course.

The meeting rose at 12.30 p.m.

Rapporteur :

J. Tripet

Secretary :

J. Millot

Vice-Chairman

of the Conference :

G. Gnemo



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Corrigendum No 1  
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COMMITTEE 7

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE  
on 30 April 1950  
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PERSONNEL

	Expenses incurred up to 30 April (A)	Commitments to 30/4 (Conf. ending on 15/7) (B)	Total (A+B)	Budget (4 months)	Difference as compared with the Budget
	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.
Item I. Administrative Service Personnel	54,931,30	168,621,35	209,721,90	165,800,00	+ 43,921,90
Costs of preparatory organization	3,990,00	-	3,990,00	2,600,00	+ 1,390,00
Item II. Linguistic Service Personnel	160,680,45	424,566,40	599,077,60	631,480,00	- 32,402,40
Item III. Reproduction Service Personnel	8,538,75	25,841,80	34,380,55	17,400,00	+ 16,980,55
Items I, II, III. Travelling expenses					
Administrative Service	1,527,27				
Linguistic Service	4,650,47				
Reproduction Service	<u>150,26</u>				
	6,328,00	9,000,00	15,328,00	3,000,00	+ 12,328,00
Item IV. Insurance					
Accident insurance for personnel	2,000,00	6,000,00 (*)	8,000,00	-	+ 8,000,00
Payments made directly by the General Secre- tariat in Geneva	-	9,070,00	9,070,00	-	+ 9,070,00
Items I, II, III, IV Miscellaneous and Unforeseen	-	-	-	52,320,00	- 52,320,00
Total .....	<u>236,468,50</u>	<u>643,099,55</u>	<u>879,568,05</u>	<u>872,600,00</u>	<u>+ 6,968,05</u>

(\*) Approximate amount. A detailed account of the insurance premiums will be made out after the close of the Conference.

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Document No. 99-E  
26 April 1950

COMMITTEE 7

STATEMENT

OF EXPENDITURE ON 30 APRIL 1950

Recapitulation

Budget		Expenses incurred up to 30 April	Commitments up to 30/4 assuming that the Conf. will end on 15 July	Total
		(A)	(B)	(A + B)
Sw.frs.		Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.
872.600,00	PERSONNEL	236,468,50	643,099,55	879,568,05
320.500,00	GENERAL EXPENDITURE	11,608,70	40,184,40	51,793,10
9.900,00	MISCELLANEOUS AND UNFORESEEN	125,00	-	125,00
40.000,00	INTEREST	-	-	-
1,243,000,00	... Totals .....	248,202,20	683,283,95	931,486,15



PERSONNEL

	Expenses incurred up to 30 April (A)	Commitments to 30/4 (Conf. ending on 15/7) (B)	Total (A + B)	Budget (4 months)	Difference as compared with the Budget
	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.
Item I. Administrative Service Personnel	54,931.30	168,621.35	223,552.65	165,800.00	+ 57,752.65
Costs of preparatory organization	3,990.00	—	3,990.00	2,600.00	+ 1,390.00
Item II. Linguistic Service Personnel	160,680.45	424,566.40	585,246.85	631,480.00	- 46,233.15
Item III. Reproduction Service Personnel	8,538.75	25,841.80	34,380.55	17,400.00	+ 16,980.55
Items I,II,III. Travelling expenses					
Administrative Service	1,527.77				
Linguistic Service	4,650.47				
Reproduction Service	150.26				
	6,328.00	9,000.00	15,328.00	3,000.00	+ 12,328.00
Item IV. Insurance					
Accident insurance for personnel	2,000.00	6,000.00 (*)	8,000.00	—	+ 8,000.00
Payments made directly by the General Secre- tariat in Geneva	—	9,070.00	9,070.00	—	+ 9,070.00
Items I,II,III,IV Miscellaneous and Unforeseen	—	—	—	52,320.00	- 52,320.00
Total ....	236,468.50	643,099.55	879,568.05	872,600.00	+ 6,968.05

(\*) Approximate amount. A detailed account of the insurance premiums will be made out after the close of the Conference.

GENERAL EXPENSES

		Expenses incurred up to 30 April	Commitments to 30/4 (conf. ending on 15/7)	Total (A + B)	Budget (4 months)	Difference as compared with the Budget
		(A)	(B)	(A + B)		
		Sw. Frs	Sw. frs.	Sw. frs.	Sw. frs.	Sw. frs.
Item V	<u>Printing Service</u>					
	1. Printers' bills	--	--	--		
	2. Reproduction costs	577.14	--	577.14	66,000.00	- 65,422.86
	3. Miscellaneous and unforeseen	--	--	--	15,000.00	- 15,000.00
Item VI	<u>Premises</u>	--	--	--	--	--
Item VII	<u>Office equipment</u>					
	1. Postage, dispatch	1.74	--	1.74	5,000.00	- 4,998.26
	2. Purchase of technical equipment	62.31	183.35	245.66	1,000.00	- 754.34
	3. Furniture	--	--	--	10,000.00	- 10,000.00
	miscellaneous and unforeseen	--	--	--	10,000.00	- 10,000.00
	4. Machines	203.30	130.00	333.30	12,000.00	- 11,666.70
	5. Expendible supplies	1,317.03	--	--	--	--
	6. Material of lasting value	187.12	1,054.00	2,558.15	53,800.00	- 51,241.85
	7. Cost of transporting material	13.57	--	13.57	6,000.00	- 5,986.43
	8. Paper for roneo and multilith	2,546.03	1,417.35	3,963.38	70,000.00	- 66,036.62
	9. Stencils	1,180.55	--	1,180.55	7,000.00	- 5,819.45
	10. Ink and correctine	57.60	--	57.60	6,000.00	- 5,422.40
Item VIII	<u>Simultaneous interpreting</u>					
	1. Hire and transport	2,600.30 <sup>(*)</sup>	37,399.70	40,000.00	40,000.00	-
	2. Cabins	2,342.01	--	2,342.01	7,500.00	- 5,157.99
	3. Recording equipment	--	--	--	1,200.00	- 1,200.00
Items VII and VIII	<u>Miscellaneous and unforeseen</u>	--	--	--	10,000.00	- 10,000.00
	Totals	11,608.70	40,184.40	51,793.10	320,500.00	- 268,706.90

(\*) - Cost of transporting the simultaneous interpreting equipment.

MISCELLANEOUS AND UNFORESEEN

	Expenses incurred up to 30 April	Commitments up to 30/4 (end of Confer- ence: 15/7)	Total	Budget (4 months)	Difference as compared with the Budget
	(A)	(B)	(A + B)		
	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.	Sw.frs.
Item IX. Unforeseen					
Loss on exchange rate	125,00	--	125,00	9.900,00	- 9.775,00

INTEREST

Interest on advances	--	--	--	40.000,00	- 40.000,00
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Annex I

Extract from the Resolutions of the Administrative Council of the I.T.U.  
(Fourth Session, Geneva, August-September 1949)

Resolution No. 128 - Budgets of the Union for the years 1949 and 1950  
(cf. PV CA4/29, 30, 32, 33, 34)

The Administrative Council,

Considering

the reports of the Secretary General of the Union and those of  
the Finance Committee of the Council, namely :

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No. 543/CA4 - Budgets of Conferences held in places other than Geneva in  
1949 and 1950  
.....

resolves

to adopt and approve :

- .....  
2) the ordinary and extraordinary budgets of the Union for the year 1950,  
recapitulated in the four annexes attached (Extract from Document  
No. 564/CA4).  
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INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION

BUDGETS FOR THE YEAR 1950  
.....

EXTRAORDINARY BUDGET  
.....

High Frequency Broadcasting Conference,  
Florence

Swiss francs 1,243,000.-  
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Annex 2

AGREEMENT

on the preparation for, and organization of,  
the Second High Frequency Broadcasting Conference

signed at

Rome, 25 January 1950

concerning the preparation for, and organization of the Second International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference to open in Florence on 1 April 1950.

The following agreements have been reached :

between : the Minister for Posts and Telecommunications of Italy, hereinafter called "the Italian Administration", represented by Mr. A. Antinori, Engineer and Inspector General of Telecommunications of the one part,  
and : the International Telecommunication Union, hereinafter called the "I.T.U.", represented by its Secretary General, Mr. L. Mulatier, of the other part.

1. Seat of the Conference

The International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference (hereinafter called "the Florence Conference") will meet in the Palazzo Strozzi in Florence. The committee rooms, Secretariat offices and services and all the Reception Committee services will be in this building. Plenary Assemblies will be held in a room in the Palazzo Vecchio.

In principle, all these premises, with their fittings (furnishings, electrical installations, telephones, etc.) are placed at the disposal of the I.T.U. free of charge by the Italian Administration.

From 1 May, 1950, the Conference will meet in Rapallo where it will work under the same conditions as at Florence. The cost of the transfer of the Conference from Florence to Rapallo will be entirely borne by the Italian Administration.



2. Sub-division of the premises

Provision has been made for :

- a plenary assembly hall holding about 250 delegates;
- two committee rooms holding about 80 or 100 delegates;
- four working group rooms holding about 20 or 30 delegates;
- a reception hall housing the Reception Committee services;
- a buffet-bar;
- a reading room;
- a sick quarters or first aid room;
- a telephone switch-board;
- an office for the Chairman of the Conference;
- an office for the Chairman's Secretary;
- an office for the Secretary General of the I.T.U., and
- an adjoining office for his Secretary;
- a private office for the Chairmen of Committees.
- 23 offices for the Secretariat.

3. Secretary

The task of the Secretary of the Conference will be to ensure that all the technical and administrative services of the Conference work smoothly.

4. Duties of the Secretariat

The Secretary General of the I.T.U. will provide the Secretary of the Conference and the staff required for the efficient operation of the Secretariat.

It will be possible for the Italian Administration to recruit some of this staff in Italy on the terms outlined below.

The Secretary of the Conference will be responsible for the technical services attached to the Conference (interpretation, minute writing for plenary assemblies, publication, translation and distribution of documents, shorthand-typing services and accounts).

5. Reception Committee

The Reception Committee services will be organized by the Italian Administration and will deal with the official and social relations of the Conference as well as with questions of accommodation, travel, information, posts, telegraphs and telephones, banking, the cleaning of the premises and, in general, with everything not dealt with by the Secretariat under paragraph 4 above.

## 6. Accounts

There will be only one accounting system, handled by the Secretariat, for all the expenses chargeable to the Conference.

The Italian Administration will be entirely responsible for :

- a) the premises, and, in principle, furnishings, installations, etc.;
- b) staff required to maintain contact between the Conference and the Italian Administration, the authorities, etc., and to carry out all the work resulting therefrom;
- c) the staff of the Secretariat of the Chairman of the Conference;
- d) the Reception Committee services.

The following staff, recruited by the Italian Administration, will, on the other hand, be paid for by the Conference :

- 2 draughtsmen;
- 3 administrative assistants speaking French or English;
- 1 official responsible for supplies;
- 1 head of the distribution service, knowing, if possible, several of the official languages of the Union;
- 1 head of the reproduction service;
- 1 technician for the simultaneous interpretation equipment;
- 4 technical assistants to work the simultaneous interpretation equipment;
- 20 assistants (meeting rooms (4), supplies (1), reproduction (7), distribution (4), office boys attached to the Secretariat (4)).

The above staff will have to report to the Secretary of the Conference for duty on the day he will later indicate to them, and will begin work on that date.

Those of the staff engaged by the Italian Administration who have not strictly been recruited locally will be paid a per diem allowance of Sw. frs. 25, 30 or 35, according to the duties assigned to them.

This allowance will be covered by the I.T.U., which will pay it directly to the persons concerned, the Italian Administration continuing to credit them with the contractual salary to which they are entitled.

The question of the expenses incurred as a result of Italian social security regulations will be submitted to the Budget Control Committee of the Conference at its first meeting.

The Italian Administration will meanwhile ascertain what obligations these regulations involve.

The Italian Administration will not be responsible for the insurance of Secretariat staff.

Neither the Italian Administration nor the I.T.U. will be responsible for any accidents to members of delegations to the Conference.

7. Typewriters

The Italian Administration will provide the Conference with the following typewriters :

23 with a universal keyboard ( ' é è ^ )

1 with a universal keyboard ( ñ ' ^ )

2 with a universal keyboard ( ñ ' é è ^ ), and long carriage,

and :

1 calculating machine.

The cost of hire and upkeep of these typewriters will be borne by the Conference.

8. Roneo

The Italian Administration will provide the roneo equipment (ordinary roneo machines or "multigraph" machines) on the most favourable terms.

9. Reproduction of technical documents (Plans, graphs, curves, etc.)

This will be passed on to an Italian firm (in Florence or Genoa, as appropriate) recommended by the Italian Administration, a scale having been prepared in detail beforehand to include all the work the Conference may require.

10. Simultaneous interpretation

A simultaneous interpretation system will be installed in two rooms, the Plenary Assembly hall and one committee room.

The preparation of the rooms in which simultaneous interpretation is to be installed will be completed one week before the Conference opens in order that the cabins may be fitted out and the simultaneous interpretation system installed and wired up.

The Italian Administration will undertake to construct the interpreting cabins locally, from plans and information provided by the I.T.U.

The Italian Administration will provide and pay for the necessary labour (carpenters, etc.) to help the technicians install the cabins, and any supplies they may require.

11. Telegraph and telephone privileges

The Italian Administration will make every arrangement for the members of the Conference and the Secretariat to enjoy telegraph and telephone privileges.

12. Customs facilities and tax exemption

The Italian Administration will take all the necessary steps to obtain from the Italian authorities exemption from customs or other dues on supplies and other articles entering or leaving Italian territory which are to be, or have been used during the Conference as well as on personal effects of members of foreign delegations, secretariat staff and any members of their families by whom they are accompanied.

The Italian Administration will also take all the necessary steps to obtain from the Italian authorities exemption from taxes on the salaries of Secretariat staff of the Conference recruited by the I.T.U.

13. Working Schedule

The following schedule will be recommended to the Conference :

- (1) Working days : Monday to Saturday
- (2) Working hours :
  - a) Monday to Friday ..... 10.00 - 13.00  
15.30 - 18.30
  - b) Saturday ..... 10.00 - 13.00

Secretariat

- (1) Working days : Monday to Saturday
- (2) Working hours (in principle) :
  - a) Monday to Friday ..... 08.30 - 00.30
  - b) Saturday ..... 09.00 - 17.00

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In faith whereof, the present Agreement has been signed at Rome on the twenty-fifth of January 1950.

For the Minister of Posts and  
Telecommunications

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS

For the International Telecommunication  
Union

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Annex 3

Extract from the Staff Regulations of the  
International Telecommunication Union

Article 10

Scale and steps of annual salaries

The annual salaries of employees in classes below Class D shall be fixed in accordance with the following scale and steps/:

	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STEP</u>
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
<u>Class</u>						
	<u>(Basic salary)</u>			<u>Swiss francs</u>		
1st	17.000	18.760	20.520	22.280	24.040	25.800
2nd	12.600	14.380	16.160	17.940	19.720	21.500
3rd	11.400	12.560	13.720	14.880	16.040	17.200
4th	10.100	11.060	12.020	12.980	13.940	14.900
5th	8.700	9.660	10.620	11.580	12.540	13.500
6th	7.400	8.360	9.320	10.280	11.240	12.200
7th	6.500	7.360	8.220	9.080	9.940	10.800
8th	4.500	5.300	6.100	6.900	7.700	8.500

Article 11

Salaries of supernumerary personnel

The salaries of supernumerary personnel shall be fixed by the Secretary General in accordance with the practice adopted by the United Nations and specialized agencies, provided that the basic salary remains within the limits of the basic salaries of permanent and temporary personnel in the same category and employed on the same work (the words "basic salary" denoting salary exclusive of any allowance or any remuneration paid in lieu of an allowance.

(The official English text of these Regulations is not available).

Annex 4

Extract from the Final Report  
of the Technical Plan Committee

IIIrd Part (Final Report of the Florence Session)

(Document No. 32)

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4. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

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4.3 Report of Budget Group.

This report contained in Document No. 24, was approved by the Plenary Meeting of March 30th, and is given Annex 9 to the present report.

When discussing the report of the Budget Group, the Technical Plan Committee decided to submit the following opinion to the Conference:

"The TPC considers that the statement of expenditure submitted to it, contains certain personnel and general expenditure which it should not be called upon to bear and which should be transferred to the CIRAF account".

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ANNEX 9

to the Final Report of the Technical Plan Committee  
(Second Session)

Report of the Budget Control Group

(Document No. 24 of the Second Session of the TPC)

REPORT OF THE BUDGET CONTROL GROUP

- .....
- I. Expenditure for personnel was initiated in January in Geneva in preparation for the second session of the TPC and the International High Frequency Broadcasting Conference to be held in Florence. The Budget Supervision Group considers that an appropriate sum relating to the preparation of the actual Conference should be deducted from these expenses, the amount to be decided upon in proportion to the relative importance of the TPC and the CIRAF.
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LIST OF DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL  
HIGH FREQUENCY BROADCASTING CONFERENCE

Nos. 51-100

No. of Document	No. of the Committee	T i t l e
51	3	Letter from the Delegation of Syria to the Chairman of the Conference (Modified requirements).
52 (rev.)	3/4	Modified requirements of French Oversea Territories.
53	4	Letter from Chairman of Working Group 4A to Chairman of Committee 4, 15 April 1950.
54	-	Minutes of the Opening Meeting, 1 April 1950.
55	-	Minutes of the Meeting of Heads of Delegations, 3 April 1950.
56	-	Minutes of the First Meeting of the Plenary Assembly, 4 April 1950.
57	-	Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Plenary Assembly, 4 April 1950.
58	-	Minutes of the Third Meeting of the Plenary Assembly, 5 April 1950.
59	-	Minutes of the Fourth Meeting of the Plenary Assembly, 5 April 1950.
60	-	Minutes of the Fifth Meeting of the Plenary Assembly, 6 April 1950.
60 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No. 1 to Documents 60-E and 60-S.
61	-	Minutes of the Sixth Meeting of the Plenary Assembly, 6 April 1950.
62	-	Minutes of the Seventh Meeting of the Plenary Assembly, 7 April 1950.





No. of Document	No. of the Committee	T i t l e
63	4	Statement by Sub-Group 1 of Working Group 4A.
64	3/4	Modified requirements: Indonesia.
65	2	Procedure followed and decisions taken by the C.I.R.A.F., Mexico City, 1948, with reference to the checking of credentials.
66	-	Time-table of meetings, 18 to 24 April 1950.
66 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No. 1 to Document 66-E.
66 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No. 1 to Document 66-F and 66-S, and No.2 to Document 66-E.
67	5	Report of the Second Meeting of the Implementation Committee, 13 April 1950.
67 (rev.)	5	Revision of Document 67.
68	3	Report of the Third Meeting of the Requirements Committee, 13 April 1950.
69	3	Report of the Fourth Meeting of the Requirements Committee, 15 April 1950.
70	-	Terms of Reference of the Sub-Committees, Groups and Sub-Groups on 18 April 1950.
70 (add.)	-	Addendum No.1 to Document 70.
71	-	List of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees, Sub-Committees, Working Groups and Sub-Groups on 17 April 1950.
71 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No.1 to Document 71.
71 (add.)	-	Addendum No.1 to Document 71.
72	4/5	Dates and timing of the phases of the Plan (United Kingdom).
73	3	H.F. Requirements (Indonesia)
74	4	Request for modifications and additions to channel hours (Nicaragua).

No. of Document	No. of the Committee	T i t l e
75	3	Letter from the Delegation of Syria to the Chairman of the Conference. Modifications to Syria's requirements.
76	4	Letter from the Canadian Delegation to the Chairman of the Conference. Errors in location of Canadian transmitters.
77	3	Letter from the United Nations to the Chairman of the Conference. Frequency hours for the General Assembly.
78	4	Report of Sub-Group 3 of Working Group 4A.
79	Portugal	Considerations on the work of the Conference (Phases of the Plan Committee).
80	United States of America	Technical information (Phases of the Plan Committee).
81	-	Submission of documents. Note by the Chairman.
82	4	Letter from the Delegation of Paraguay to the Chairman of the Conference. Delay in submitting requirements.
83	4	Report of the Third Meeting of the Phases of the Plan Committee, 18 April 1950.
84	-	Time-table of meetings, 24 to 29 April 1950.
84 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No.1 to Document 84.
84 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No.2 to Document 84.
84 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No.3 to Document 84.
85	3	Letter from the Delegation of the United States of America to the Chairman of the Conference. Modified requirements with justifications.
86	4	Preliminary Report of Sub-Group 1 of Working Group 4A, 24 April 1950.
87	4	First Report of the Technical Sub-Committee of Committee 4, 22 April 1950.

No. of Document	No. of the Committee	T i t l e
88	4	Letter from the Delegation of Iran to the Chairman of the Conference. Delayed submission of requirements.
89	3	Letter from the Delegation of Syria to the Chairman of the Conference. Requirements of Yemen and Jordan.
90	3	Modified requirements of the United Kingdom. Justifications.
91	3	Modified requirements of United Kingdom Colonies. Justifications.
92	4	Letter from the Delegation of Greece to the Chairman of the Conference. Unsatisfied requirements.
94	3	Letter from the Yugoslav Delegation to the Chairman of the Conference. Unsatisfied requirements.
95	2	Report by the Credentials Committee. Second Meeting. April 24, 1950.
96	Italy	Probable progress of the present solar cycle.
97	3	<u>Final Report of Working Group 3A.</u>
98	1	Report of the first meeting of the Steering Committee. 26 April 1950.
99	-	Statement of expenditure of the Conference on 30 April 1950.
99 (corr.)	-	Corrigendum No.1 to Document 99.
100	-	List of Documents Nos.51 to 100.