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Hold at the Neue Hofburg, Vienna,
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<u>President:</u>	Mr. STANENAT	(Austria)
<u>Reporteur:</u>	Mr. AGHASSI	(Iran)

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CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (DBR/2 and Amend.1 and 2) (continued)

Chapter II

1. The PRESIDENT invited the Board to continue its consideration of Chapter II of the draft report of the second session of the Industrial Development Board.

Paragraphs 24 and 25

2. Paragraphs 24 and 25 were adopted.

Paragraph 26

3. Mr. BABIKER (Sudan) proposed that the words "One delegation" at the beginning of the paragraph should be replaced by the words "Some delegations".

4. It was so decided.

5. Paragraph 26, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraphs 27 - 31

6. Paragraphs 27 - 31 were adopted.

Paragraph 32

7. Mr. HOODLEY (United International Bureau for the Protection of Intellectual Property (BIRPI)) proposed the addition, at the end of paragraph 32, of the words "BIRPI drew attention to its programme of assistance to developing countries in the industrial property field, including its model laws on patents and trade marks, and emphasized the necessity for developing countries, in their own interests, to establish patent legislation or modernise existing legislation in order to encourage the transfer of technology and know-how. For that purpose, the services of BIRPI were available to any country".

8. It was so decided.

9. Paragraph 32, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraphs 33 - 38

10. Paragraphs 33 - 38 were adopted.

Paragraph 39

11. Mr. AMAN (Pakistan) said that when the subject dealt with in paragraph 39 had been discussed, a large number of delegations had felt that UNIDO's share of technical assistance programmes financed by UNDP was inadequate. He therefore proposed that the word "Some" at the beginning of paragraph 39 should be replaced by "Many".

12. It was so decided.

13. Paragraph 39, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 40

14. Mr. AGHASSI (Iran) Rapporteur, drew attention to the amendment proposed to paragraph 40 in document DER/2/Amend.2, which consisted in substituting the words "Most delegations" to the words "A number of delegations".

15. Mr. AMAN (Pakistan) said that the proposal he had made in respect of paragraph 39 applied equally to paragraph 40, and he suggested that the same change be made in the latter, namely, that the words "a number of" at the beginning of the paragraph should be amended to "Many".

16. Mr. ROBERTS (Canada) proposed that in the second line of paragraph 40, the word "they" should be replaced by the phrase "most of the delegations from the developing countries"; that in the fourth line of the paragraph the word "several" should be replaced by "many", and that in the following line, the words "the support of" should be deleted and replaced by the words "first ensuring that such a conference would be supported by".

17. Mr. BRADLEY (Argentina) said that the amendments proposed by the representative of Canada reflected the truth better than the existing draft.

18. The PRESIDENT pointed out that the policy of the drafters of the report had consistently been to avoid referring to the economic or political background of delegations whose views were recorded in the report.

19. Mr. ROBERTS (Canada) withdrew his amendment to the second line of the paragraph.
20. The PRESIDENT invited the Board to vote on the proposal made by the representative of Pakistan to replace the words "A number of" at the beginning of the paragraph by the word "Many".
21. The amendment of the representative of Pakistan was adopted by 29 votes to 2, with 5 abstentions.
22. Mr. ARKADIEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) proposed that in the second line of the paragraph, a full stop should be inserted after the word "autonomy", and that the words "and they" should be replaced by "Many delegations".
23. It was so decided.
24. Mr. ROBERTS (Canada) asked that a decision should be taken on his proposed amendments to lines 4 and 5 of paragraph 40.
25. Mr. AHAN (Pakistan), supported by Mr. TURKEMEN (Turkey), Mr. BITTENCOURT (Brasil) and Mr. TELL (Jordan), considered that the wording of the two lines in question should be left unchanged.
26. Mr. ROBERTS (Canada) said that the object of his proposed amendments was to clarify the wording of the paragraph and avoid the danger of needless dissipation of resources. The pledging conference referred to in the paragraph should not be convened unless there was a very good chance that it would be a success. He would be prepared, however, to reduce his proposed amendments to one, namely the replacement of the word "several" in the fourth line by "many".
27. Mr. TELL (Jordan) said that the amendment proposed by the representative of Canada was more than a mere drafting change, and he considered that there were very good reasons why the existing wording should be retained.
28. Mr. ROBERTS (Canada) said that two amendments providing for the use of the words "Many delegations" had already been adopted in connexion with paragraph 40, and he could not understand why there was such opposition to the amendment he was proposing, the effect of which would simply be to give a fairer reflection of the debate.

29. Mr. NOZIGLIA (United States of America) said that he supported the view of the Canadian representative. He had voted for the words "Many delegations" in the first two lines of the paragraph in the spirit of the compromise suggested by the Representative of Pakistan and he hoped that the use of those words would also be approved in the fourth line.

30. Mr. BRADLEY (Argentina), supported by Mr. BITTENCOURT (Brazil), moved that the Canadian amendment should be put to the vote.

31. It was so decided.

32. The Canadian amendment was rejected by 22 votes to 12, with 6 abstentions.

33. The PRESIDENT invited the Board to vote on paragraph 40 as a whole, as amended.

34. Paragraph 40 as a whole, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 41

35. Mr. SIERRA (Spain) criticised the wording of the opening phrase of paragraph 41, since in other paragraphs care had been taken to avoid describing countries as developed or developing, in view of the difficulties entailed. Since in the present case everyone knew which representative was referred to, he suggested that the paragraph should be introduced with the words "One delegation declared".

36. It was so decided.

37. Paragraph 41, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 42

38. Mr. AGHASSI (Iran), Rapporteur, drew attention to the proposed amendment to paragraph 42 contained in document DSR/2/Amend.1, which read as follows: "It was stated that the absence of collegiate government, which is widely practised in international organisations, lowers the efficiency of the UNIDO Secretariat's work and hinders the operative consideration of questions of principle. The same delegation declared that posts for assistants to the Executive Director should be established in the UNIDO Secretariat and that some of them should be filled by nationals of socialist countries".

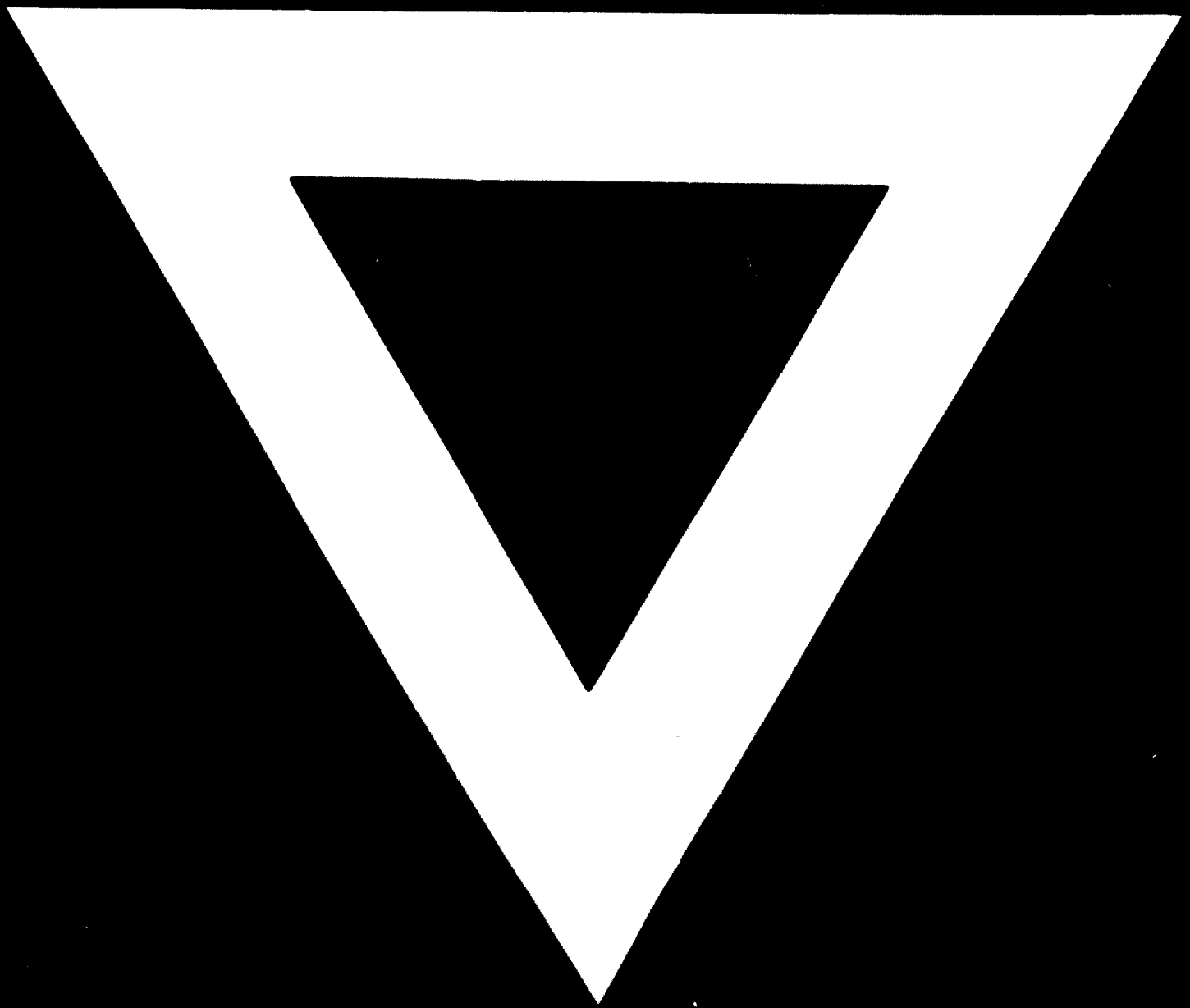
39. Mr. ARKADIEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) said that the interpreter had not used the official Russian text, which was inadmissible. He therefore read out his delegation's amendment, pointing out that the word "assistants" in the second sentence should be replaced by "deputies".
40. The PRESIDENT asked whether the amendment was intended to begin with the words "Some delegations".
41. Mr. ARKADIEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) said that that was so and that the opening words of the second sentence should read: "The same delegations".
42. Mr. BRADLEY (Argentina), thought that in the second sentence of the proposed amendment, it would be preferable not to mention any group of countries by name. Reference should simply be made to the principle of equitable geographical distribution.
43. Mr. ARKADIEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) agreed with the representative of Argentina.
44. Mr. ACHASSI (Iran), Rapporteur, asked whether the words "some of them" were to be retained.
45. Mr. BRADLEY (Argentina) suggested that those words should be replaced by "they".
46. Mr. BEECROFT (Nigeria) also thought that the words "for assistants" should be replaced by the words "of deputies", and that the end of the paragraph should read: "that they should be filled in accordance with the principle of equitable geographical distribution".
47. Mr. TELL (Jordan) said that he was not very sure of what was meant by "collegiate government". He wondered whether it would not be better to speak of an executive council.
48. Mr. ARKADIEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) said that although he understood the point made by the representative of Jordan, he preferred to maintain the word "collegiate". The deputies in question would in fact constitute a council.

49. Mr. AGHASSI (Iran), Rapporteur, asked whether the term to be used was "collegiate government" or "collegiate management".
50. Mr. ARKADIEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) said that it was the word "management" that reflected what he had in mind more accurately. The misunderstanding had been due to faulty interpretation.
51. Mr. LORENZI (Uruguay) observed that any term such as board of governors or directorate would also be acceptable, since the meaning which it was intended to convey was government by many.
52. The PRESIDENT suggested that the Board should adopt paragraph 42 with the proposed amendments, on the understanding that all versions would be brought into line with the Russian text.
53. It was so decided.
54. Chapter II of the draft report as a whole, as amended, was adopted.
55. Mr. TELL (Jordan), explaining why he had not voted for the resolution contained in document ID/B/L.40, said that although he had sympathised with the idea behind the resolution, he had felt that the Board should have proceeded in a more regular manner. During the discussion of that resolution, he had proposed various amendments which had been rejected, with the result that the Board had not actually established a working group but had merely asked the Executive Director to convene such a body. The working group would thus not be an official sub-organ of the Board and the Organization would have to pay the full costs of its meetings, in particular the travel costs and subsistence allowance of representatives. The last sentence of document ID/B/L.42 relating to the financial implications of the resolution constituted a tacit recognition of that fact.
56. He thought that the Board should reconsider the resolution it had adopted after seeking legal advice on the matter, or run the risk of being told that no funds were available for convening the working group.

57. The PRESIDENT thanked the representative of Jordan for his remarks but thought that the discussion should not be reopened. He suggested that the Secretariat should be asked to find out what the exact position was in the light of the comments that had just been made.

The meeting rose at 4.50 p.m.





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