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First Session

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE NINETEENTH MEETING

Held at Headquarters, New York, on Wednesday, 26 April 1967, at 8.40 p.m.

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Secretary of the Board

## FINANCIAL QUESTIONS (continued)

Mr. PATRIOTA (Brazil) said that the position of the developing countries on financing had been very clearly stated by several representatives, particularly those of Peru, Pakistan and India. His delegation was basically in agreement with their views. He recalled the role played in the Ad Hoc Committee on the United Nations Organization for Industrial Development by the Brazilian representative, who had helped to co-ordinate the views of the developing countries and had later taken an active part in the negotiations with the other groups of countries. The results of those negotiations were incorporated in General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI), paragraphs 20-26 of which made clear provision for the financing of UNIDO's activities. It remained for the Ebard to recommend the convening of a pledging conference, as provided in paragraph 25 (a), and to indicate when it should take place. The Board might also wish to establish guidelines for the allocation and use of funds contributed directly to UNIDO, since the use of resources made available through existing United Nations programmes for technical assistance and general multilateral co-operation was already adequately regulated.

The developing countries represented in the Board earnestly hoped that a pledging conference would be convened in the near future, in order that UNIDO might begin operations as soon as possible and enjoy the highest degree of autonomy.

Mr. ABELL (Canada) said that the Canadian Government would prefer UNIDO to be financed under the existing general arrangements - in other words, through the UNDP pledging conference and the regular budget of the United Nations. Many representatives had expressed disagreement with that viewpoint, and his delegation took note of their objections.

The real problem was not so much lack of money as lack of worth-while projects; all were in favour of industrialization, but the question was how that objective might best be pursued. He could not but note that many of the observations made during the debate had not greatly advanced the cause of industrialization, which was the only valid criterion. His Government would not be represented at a pledging conference if one was held. That did not mean that Canada wanted UNIDO to fail, for it was in favour of the new organization; but for

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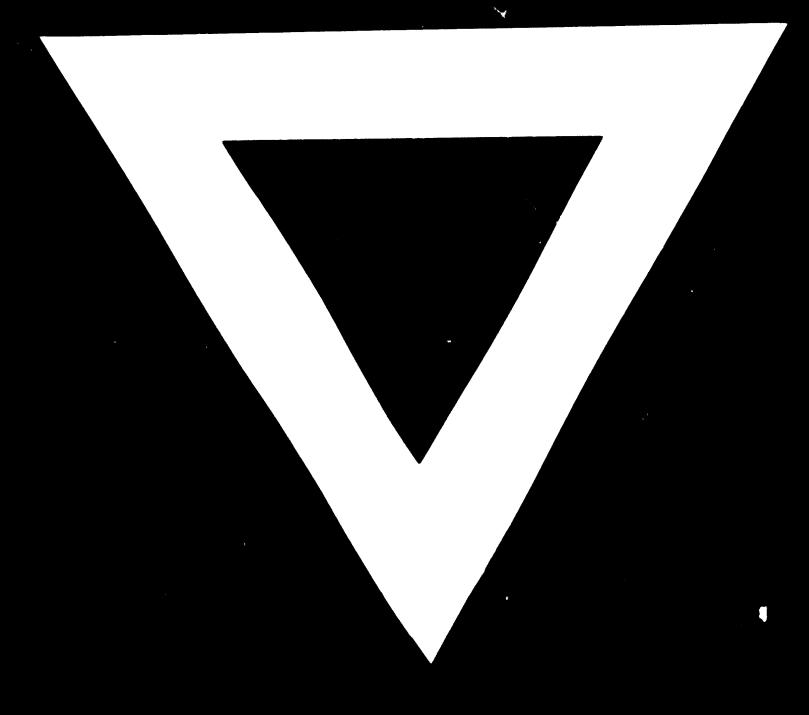
(Mr. Abell, Canada)

the time being lack of additional resources was not the crucial problem. The establishment of the Headquarters at Vienna and the International Symposium - which, as things stood, was still in danger of being a fiasco - required attention first. His Government's contribution to UNIDO, for the moment at least, would therefore be made through UNDP and the regular budget.

The Board had been in session for almost three weeks; it could have made as much progress in as many hours.

The PRESIDENT welcomed the Canadian representative's candour, but regretted that so few delegations had seen fit to attend a meeting that had been called for the express purpose of expediting the Board's work.

The meeting rose at 9.15 p.m.



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