Land reform (E/CN.11/341)

Report of the fourth session of the Committee on Industry and Trade and supply of capital goods and materials (E/CN.11/343)

Date and place of the ninth session of the Commission, the fifth session of the Committee on Industry and Trade and the second session at the Inland Transport Committee

Resolution of the Sub-Committee on Iron and Steel

Draft resolution for action by the Economic and Social Council

Inclusion of Japan in ECAFE region and admittance of Japan as associate member

RESOLUTION OF 29 JANUARY 1952 (E/CN.11/335)

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East Recognizing the importance of Japanese economic potentialities and the need to promote closer economic co-operation between Japan and the countries of the region;

Believing that such co-operation would assist the economic development of the region;

Recommends to the Economic and Social Council that, with a view to permitting such co-operation, it amend the terms of reference of the Commission (resolution 37 (IV) of 28 March 1947), as amended to date, as follows:

In paragraph 2, describing the territories of Asia and the Far East, insert after the word "Indonesia" the word "Japan"; and

Resolves that, in the event that the Council accepts the above amendment, Japan be admitted thereupon as an associate member of the Commission; and

Recommends further to the Economic and Social Council that it make the following consequential amendments in the terms of reference referred to above:

- (i) In paragraph 4, after the word "Hong Kong" and before the word "Korea", insert the word "Japan" and
- (ii) Delete paragraph 10, renumbering the succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

Standard International Trade Classification

RESOLUTION OF 4 FEBRUARY 1952 (E/CN.11/336)

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East

Having noted with satisfaction the useful and constructive work done by the Working Party of Experts on the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) jointly conducted by the Secretariat of the Commission and the Statistical Office of the United Nations;

Approves the report of the Working Party. (E/CN.11/317); and

Requests the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the United Nations Statistical Office, to discuss with the member and associate member governments the application of the SITC in the light of the Working Party's report (E/CN.11/317) and of any subsequent action by the United Nations Statistical Commission.

Statistics

RESOLUTION OF 4 FEBRUARY 1952 (E/CN.11/337)

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East

Having noted with satisfaction the note by the Executive Secretary on the Secretariat's activities in the field of statistics (E/CN.11/318), the report on statistical organization and activities (E/CN.11/322 and annexes A-K), and the report on methods of national income estimation (E/CN.11/323 and Add.1 and annexes A-C);

Commends the Executive Secretary for the steps taken to implement the resolution on statistics adopted at the fifth session (E/CN.11/223 Rev.1);

Recommends

- (1) That the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the Statistical Office of the United Nations and the specialized agencies concerned, and with the assistance of the Technical Assistance Administration, and subject to the concurrence of the second regional Conference of Statisticians, convene a third conference of statisticians in the ECAFE region, in 1953 or 1954, to consider the application and promotion of international standards for the estimation of national income in ECAFE countries,
- (2) That the governments in the region continue to supply the Executive Secretary with necessary information to bring up-to-date the Secretariat's report on the statistical organization and activities in countries of Asia and the Far East,
- (3) That the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the Fiscal Division of the United Nations, continue to study specific problems of budget analysis and reclassification in ECAFE countries, and, in cooperation with the Technical Assistance Administration, assist governments at their request in the process of actual budget analysis and reclassification.

Flood control

RESOLUTION OF 4 FEBRUARY 1952 (E/CN.11/338)

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East

Having considered the annual report of the Bureau of Flood Control (E/CN.11/311);

Commends the Bureau for its work, particularly the valuable studies on problems of common importance to the region, including the publication of the Flood Control Series, and the technical services it has rendered to the countries of the region;

Recognizing that the Secretary-General, pursuant to Resolution 346 (XII) adopted by the Economic and Social Council on 9 March 1951, will soon publish a report on international activity in the broad field of water control and utilization which may have some bearing on the regional activities in this field;

Approves the programme of work of the Bureau with special emphasis on (i) the importance for the region of multiple purpose unified river basin development and (ii) the particular significance of the problem of bank protection to flood control in the region;

Requests the Technical Assistance Administration to give favourable consideration to the organization of an Asian Training Centre for Water Resource Development in 1952 or early 1953 for the training of engineers; and

Urges the governments of the region to consider the promotion of permanent cadres of engineering personnel for water resource development and the promotion of exchange of such personnel within the region.

Amendment of rules of procedure

RESOLUTION OF 4 FEBRUARY 1952 (E/CN.11/339 Rev. 1)

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East Taking note of recommendations of the Economic and Social Council [resolution 414 (XIII)] regarding

- (a) The date and place of sessions of regional economic commissions and
- (b) Consultative arrangements between regional economic commissions and non-governmental organizations;

Resolves to amend its rules of procedure (E/CN.11/2 Rev.7) as follows:

1. For Rules 1 and 2 substitute the following:

"Rule 1

"The following principles shall apply as regards date and place for the sessions of the Commission:

- "(a) The Commission shall at each session recommend the date and place for its next session subject to the approval of the Council and in consultation with the Secretary-General. Sessions of the Commission shall also be held within 45 days of the communication to the Executive Secretary of a request to that effect by the Economic and Social Council, and in that case, the Secretary-General shall establish the place of such sessions in consultation with the Chairman of the Commission.
- "(b) In special cases the date and place of the session may be altered by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Chairman of the Commission and the Council's Interim Committee on Programme of Conferences. At the request of the majority of the members of the Commission, the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Chairman of the Commission and the Council's Interim Committee on Programme of Conferences, may also alter the date and place of the session.
- "(c) Sessions shall ordinarily be held at the office of the United Nations in Asia and the Far East. The Commission may recommend holding a particular session elsewhere."
- 2. Re-number old Rules 3 to 6A inclusive as Rules 2 to 6 inclusive, and old Rules 29A to 46 inclusive as Rules 30 to 47 inclusive.
- 3. Amend old *Rule 47* by deletion of the last three sentences, the rule as amended to be re-numbered 48 and to read as follows:

"Rule 48

"Non-governmental organizations in Categories A and B and on the register may designate authorized

representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the Commission."

4. Add the following new rules, numbered 49 and 50, reading as follows:

"Rule 49

"Written statements relevant to the work of the Commission or its subsidiary bodies may be submitted by organizations in categories A and B on subjects for which these organizations have a special competence. Such statements shall be circulated by the Executive Secretary to the members and associate members of the Commission except those statements which have become obsolete, e.g., those dealing with matters already disposed of."

"Rule 50

"The following conditions shall be observed regarding the submission and circulation of such written statements:

- "(a) The written statement shall be submitted in one of the official languages.
- "(b) It shall be submitted in sufficient time for appropriate consultation to take place between the Executive Secretary and the organization before circulation.
- "(c) The organization shall give due consideration to any comments which the Executive Secretary may make in the course of such consultation before transmitting the statement in final form.
- "(d) A written statement submitted by an organization in category A or B will be circulated in full if it does not exceed 2.000 words. Where a statement is in excess of 2,000 words, the organization shall submit a summary which will be circulated or shall supply sufficient copies of the full text in the two working languages for distribution. A statement will also be circulated in full, however, upon the specific request of the Commission or of one of its subsidiary bodies.
- "(e) The Executive Secretary may invite organizations on the register to submit written statements. The provisions of paragraphs (a) and (c) and (d) above shall apply to such statements.
- "(f) A written statement or summary, as the case may be, will be circulated by the Executive Secretary in the working languages and, upon the request of a member or associate member of the Commission, in any of the official languages."
- 5. For the old *rule 48* substitute the following rule, numbered 51:

"Rule 51

- "(a) The Commission and its subsidiary bodies may consult with organizations in categories A or B either directly or through a committee or committees established for the purpose. In all cases, such consultations may be arranged on the invitation of the Commission or the subsidiary body or on the request of the organization.
- "(b) On the recommendation of the Executive Secretary and at the request of the Commission or one of its subsidiary bodies, organizations on the