SECOND COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (PART ONE)

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Amendments to the draft report contained in documents E/CONF.65/C.2/L.10 and Adds. 1-2, adopted by the Committee at its eleventh meeting on 15 November 1974.

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1. Para. 9, first sentence: Replace "the Committee" by "Most of the representatives";
   Delete "in principle".

2. Para. 9: Add new sentence at end as follows "Some representatives held the view that such a System involved national sovereignty and they expressed their reservation."

3. Para. 10, first sentence: Replace "The Committee" by "Most of the representatives".

4. Para. 10, second sentence: The list of foodstuffs at the end of the sentence should read "e.g. oils, oilseeds (in particular groundnuts), fats, sugar, pulses, tubers and livestock and fish products."

5. Para. 10, third sentence: Insert "soil erosion" after "nutrition levels", and "plant and" before "livestock health".

The Committee adopted Part One of its report at its eleventh meeting and authorized the Rapporteur to complete the summary of proceedings with regard to the adoption of the three draft resolutions under item 9 (d) (see E/CONF.65/C.2/L.10/Add.4).
6. Para. 13, third sentence: Insert "participating" before "governments".

7. Para. 14, fifth sentence: Insert at end "and for avoiding duplication".

8. Para. 15, third sentence: Replace "interested" by "participating".

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1. Para. 2: Add new sentence at end as follows "Some representatives considered that some of the provisions of the proposed Undertaking, such as international food stocks, world food information system, etc., involved national sovereignty and that some articles were not explicit enough; they expressed their reservation on the proposed Undertaking."

2. Para. 3, second sentence: Replace by the following text: "In the short-term, the serious difficulties faced by the developing countries in building up their national stocks would require an immediate increase in the food production of the developed countries, while the developing countries are simultaneously assisted to increase their food production and build up their own stocks." */

3. Para. 3: Add new sentence at end as follows "One representative considered that the advocation of the utilization of financial resources saved from the reduction of military expenditure for the increase of food production was neither feasible nor realistic, and was not conducive to the solution of the world food problem."

4. Para. 8, first sentence: Insert at the end of the sentence "and with a view to studying the feasibility of establishing grain reserves to be located at strategic points. It was understood that such a study should also examine the feasibility of creating international grain reserves."

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1. Para. 3, first sentence: Insert after "stressed" the following "the primary importance of voluntary aid, as well as".

2. Para. 4: Add new sentence at end as follows "Some other representatives expressed serious reservations on these points."

*/ This amendment is based on the text of the last preambular paragraph of draft resolution E/CONF.65/C.2/L.12 (draft resolution II of the Committee).
3. Para. 5: Replace last two sentences by the following: "In this connexion, the Committee recommended that interested cereals exporting and importing countries, as well as current and potential financial contributors, meet as soon as possible to take cognizance of the needs and to consider ways and means of increasing food availability and financing facilities during 1975 and 1976 for those most seriously affected by the current food problem."

4. Para. 6, second sentence: Replace "developed countries" by "governments"; Insert "or funds" after "stocks";
Add the following at end of sentence: "it being understood that, in conformity with that Undertaking, the primary responsibility for earmarking stocks or funds for meeting international emergency requirements should be that of developed countries and countries with a capability to do so."

5. Para. 6: Replace the last two sentences by the following: "It was suggested that international guidelines for emergency stocks should be developed as a part of the proposed Undertaking to provide for an effective coordination of emergency stocks and to ensure that food relief reaches the neediest and most vulnerable groups in developing countries. Further, the Committee agreed that a part of the proposed emergency stocks should be placed at the disposal of the World Food Programme, on a voluntary basis, in order to increase its capacity to render speedy assistance in emergency situations. Referring to the voluntary nature of the contributions to the World Food Programme, some delegates urged that, in view of the need to take more effective steps to meet the emergency requirements of many developing countries suffering from food shortages, resources for emergency aid through multilateral channels should be considerably increased."

6. Para. 7: Add new sentence at end as follows: "The Committee took note with interest of the work of the General Assembly at its twenty-ninth session on the subject of strengthening the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, in particular in relation to disaster preparedness and pre-disaster planning." */

*/ This amendment is based on the text of the penultimate preambular paragraph of draft resolution III of the Committee (E/CONF.65/C.2/L.13, as amended).