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FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 76TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 75TH MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN CONSUMPTION IN JAPAN (FEC-248/4; 248 series, FEC-026/10, /12, /14)

Postponed.

ITEM 3 - REPORT BY COMMITTEE NO. 1 TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION REGARDING DIVISION OF REPARATIONS SHARES (FEC-219/25; 219 series)

Preliminary views stated. Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 4 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 5 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Remarks of Mr. Miguel Cuaderno, Minister of Finance, Republic of the Philippines

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

ITEM 5 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Remarks of Mr. Miguel Cuaderno, Minister of Finance, Republic of the Philippines

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY--FEC FEC-RESTRICTED

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 75th MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 74th MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - REPORT OF AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-273/1, FEC-273; FEC-228/6, FEC-088/9)

The Commission agreed to table FEC-228/6, Reopening of Private Trade with Japan, and FEC-088/9, Trade Representatives in Japan. FEC-273, Operation of Private Trade in Japan, referred to Committee No. 2.

ITEM 3 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN CONSUMPTION IN JAPAN (FEC-248/4; 248 series, FEC-026/10, /12, /14)

Postponed.

ITEM 4 - FURTHER REPORT OF THE AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/37; /35, /32, /12)

Referred to Committee No. 1

ITEM 5 - REPRESENTATIVE OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 7 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

Referred to Committee No. 1

ITEM 5 - REPRESENTATIVE OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 7 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Vote of Thanks to Mr. G. R. Powles for remarks regarding the Canberra Conference at the 74th meeting of the Commission

b. Remarks of Mr. Asaf Ali regarding his trip to India

To be circulated as an appendix to these minutes.

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

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25 September 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-FOURTH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 73rd MEETING

Approved.

ITEM 2 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN CONSUMPTION IN JAPAN (FEC-248/4; 248 series, FEC-026/10, /12, /14)

Postponed.

ITEM 3 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 4 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Article in The New York Times relative to Commission's Consideration of Supply of Food for Civilian Consumption in Japan

The Chairman invited attention to this news article and it was circulated as FEC-248/5.

b. Press Article relative to Disposition of Stocks of Gold Looted by Germany

Postponed.

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Article in The New York Times relative to Commission's Consideration of Supply of Food for Civilian Consumption in Japan

The Chairman invited attention to this news article and it was circulated as FEC-248/5.

b. Press Article relative to Disposition of Stocks of Gold Looted by Germany

The Chinese Representative invited attention to articles appearing in the press regarding proposed disposition of stocks of looted gold found in Germany.

c. Attendance by Mr. R. B. Finn

The Chairman noted Mr. Finn's attendance and announced his assignment to the staff of the Chairman of the Allied Council for Japan.

d. Remarks by Mr. Powles regarding the Canberra Conference

Mr. Powles' remarks will be circulated as an appendix to these minutes.

SUMMARY--MINUTES, FEC

FEC--RESTRICTED

SUMMARY--73rd FEC Mtg.

18 September 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE 73rd MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - JAPANESE TAXATION OF ALIENS (FEC-232/5, FEC-232)

Approved.

ITEM 3 - REPORT OF AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN AND REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/9, FEC-088/12)

TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/9)

REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6)

FEC-228/9 unacceptable to U.S.S.R. Subject referred back to ad hoc subcommittee for further consideration.

ITEM 4 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY: REPORT OF THE AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE (FEC-011/35; FEC-011/12, /32)

Referred back to ad hoc subcommittee for further consideration.

ITEM 5 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

ITEM 6 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Items 5 and 6 considered together and postponed.

ITEM 7 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPA[illegible]

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ITEM 4 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY: REPORT OF THE AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE (FEC-011/35; FEC-011/12, /32)

Referred back to ad hoc subcommittee for further consideration.

ITEM 5 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

ITEM 6 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Items 5 and 6 considered together and postponed.

ITEM 7 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Chinese Request for Information on Fund for Financing Imports into Japan

U.S. statement that reply would be forthcoming.

b. Welcome of Mr. G. R. Powles by the Chairman

c. Remarks by Chairman concerning Major Plimsoll

d. Printed Document, "Activities of the Far Eastern Commission"

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

None

SUMMARY--FEC FEC-RESTRICTED

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 72nd MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

ITEM 3 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Items 2 and 3 considered together and further action postponed.

ITEM 4 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 5 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Restitution of Looted Property (FEC-011/32; 011 series)

Reported as being still under consideration by ad hoc subcommittee

b. Remarks by Mr. J. Rueff, Chairman of the Inter-Allied Reparations Agency

Mr. Rueff's remarks circulated separately as appendix to these minutes.

ITEM 6 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

ITEM 5 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Restitution of Looted Property (FEC-011/32; 011 series)

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b. Remarks by Mr. J. Rueff, Chairman of the Inter-Allied Reparations Agency

Mr. Rueff's remarks circulated separately as appendix to these minutes.

ITEM 6 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY--FEC FEC-RESTRICTED

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 71st MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 70TH MEETING

Approved.

ITEM 2 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-248)

Referred to Committee No. 2 for consideration in the light of U.S. amendments to be proposed.

ITEM 3 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Philippine reservation removed. Postponed.

ITEM 4 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/6; 240 series, 236 series)

Philippine reservation removed. Postponed.

ITEM 5 - TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/9; /2,-088 series)

Referred to ad hoc subcommittee of whole Steering Committee under Chairmanship of U.S. member for consideration and report direct to the Commission.

ITEM 6 - REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6; 228 series)

Referred to the ad hoc subcommittee to which Item 5 was referred.

ITEM 7 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32; /12,-011 series)

Reported as being still under consideration of ad hoc subcommittee. Postponed.

ITEM 8 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

Removed from agenda.

ITEM 9 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-001/1)

under Chairmanship of U.S. member for consideration and report direct to the Commission.

ITEM 6 - REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6; 228 series)

Referred to the ad hoc subcommittee to which Item 5 was referred.

ITEM 7 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32; /12,-011 series)

Reported as being still under consideration of ad hoc subcommittee. Postponed.

ITEM 8 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series,FEC-035, /1)

Removed from agenda.

ITEM 9 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 10 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Removed from agenda.

ITEM 11 - OTHER BUSINESS

None

ITEM 12 - PRESS RELEASE

No press release

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 70TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-NINTH MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/20, FEC-084/19; - 084 series)

Amendment of date from "1 January 1949" to "1 October 1949" approved. Policy decision approved with statements of interpretation presented by Philippine and Chinese Representatives, and with the understanding that the Chinese statement would be forwarded to the Supreme Commander together with the directive based on the paper.

ITEM 3 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Sir Carl Berendsen stated that when action on FEC-236/3 should appear to be imminent he would inquire as to support for the New Zealand view that Japanese nationals should not be permitted to attend intergovernmental conferences without prior approval by the Commission of each proposal for such attendance. Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 4 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/4, FEC-240/5; - 240 series, 236 series)

Additional paragraph proposed by U.S. in FEC-240/5, providing that no country need receive Japanese without its consent, was accepted. Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 5 - TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/9; /2, -088 series)

Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 6 - REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6; 228 series)

Chinese reservation withdrawn. Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 7 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32; /12, -011 series)

Referred to ad hoc subcommittee of the Commission consisting of U.K., Soviet, Chinese, and U.S. for consideration of action on shipping and with instructions to report

(FEC-240/4, FEC-240/5; - 240 series, 236 series)

Additional paragraph proposed by U.S. in FEC-240/5, providing that no country need receive Japanese without its consent, was accepted. Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 5 - TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/9; /2, -088 series)

Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 6 - REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6;228 series)

Chinese reservation withdrawn. Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 7 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32;/12,-011 series)

Referred to ad hoc subcommittee of the Commission consisting of U.K., Soviet, Chinese, and U.S. for consideration of section on shipping and with instructions to report at next FEC meeting.

ITEM 8 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; - 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

Postponed.

ITEM 9 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 10 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed.

ITEM 11 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Time of next meeting
Agreed that next meeting of Commission should take place on 28 August unless urgent business should necessitate a special meeting.

ITEM 12 - PRESS RELEASE

Text of policy decision on reduction of Japanese Industrial War Potential to be released to the press in the normal course.

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FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 69TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING

Approved.

ITEM 2 - DISPOSITION OF FUNDS COVERING FINES COLLECTED BY ALLIED MILITARY OCCUPATION COURTS (FEC-241/5; 241 series)

Approved as a policy decision.

ITEM 3 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/20, /19; 084 series)

A statement by Dr. Koo reiterated doubts concerning the termination date of 1 January 1949 in paragraph 9 b of FEC-084/19. General McCoy moved that the date in question be changed to 1 October 1949 throughout the paragraph. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 4 - TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/9; /2,--088 series)

Soviet position of opposition was maintained. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 5 - REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6;-228 series)

The Philippine reservation was withdrawn. The Chinese position was reserved. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 6 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32; /12,- 011 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 7 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Australian position in opposition was maintained. Philippine and Soviet positions reserved. Further consideration was postponed.

Soviet position of opposition was maintained. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 5 - REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6;-228 series)

The Philippine reservation was withdrawn. The Chinese position was reserved. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 6 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32; /12,- 011 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 7 - REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236/3; 236 series, 240 series)

Australian position in opposition was maintained. Philippine and Soviet positions reserved. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 8 - INTERCHANGE OF PERSONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES (FEC-240/4; 240 series, 236 series)

Philippine and Soviet positions reserved. Australian opposition maintained, and supported by Chinese and New Zealand Representatives. General McCoy urged early adoption, citing imminent conferences at which Japanese attendance was desired. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 9 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4;231 series, FEC-035,-035/1)

At U.K. request, further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 10 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 11 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed.

ITEM 12 - OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman, speaking on behalf of all Representatives, expressed regret at the departure of Mr. M. Ahmad.

ITEM 13 - PRESS RELEASE

Text of the policy decision on Disposition of Funds Covering Fines Collected by Allied Military Occupation Courts (FEC-241/5) to be released to the press in the normal course.

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27 March 1950

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM FOR INFORMATION NO. 243/2

SUMMARY PAGES OF THE FEC MINUTES
64th - 68th Meetings

Note by the Secretary General

1. The attached pages are summary pages of the minutes of the 64th through the 68th meetings of the Far Eastern Commission which have been assembled by the Secretariat for use by delegations as a ready reference to Commission actions.

2. Due to an error, these summary pages were not included in MI-243, which oontained the summary pages of the 69th through 175th FEC meetings, and which incorrectly noted in paragraph 2 of its cover page that the use of summary pages was not instituted until the 69th meeting of the Commission, whereas in fact the use of summary pages began with the 64th meeting.

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NELSON T. JOHNSON
Secretary General

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Summary - 68th FEC Mtg.

31 July 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 68TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-SEVENTH MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/9; -088/2, 088 series)

Postponed, with the understanding that inclusion of a definition of the word "negligible" as less than one-tenth of one per cent of annual pre-war volume of Japanese trade might be considered further at a subsequent meeting.

ITEM 3 - REOPENING OF PRIVATE TRADE WITH JAPAN (FEC-228/6; 228 series)

Postponed.

ITEM 4 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32; -011/12)

The French representative explained that, although the principle of paragraph 8 was opposed by his Government, he would not vote against the paper as a whole, but would abstain. The Chinese position was reserved pending final instructions. The Soviet position was opposed to the paper in the absence of an amendment to paragraph 10 proposed at the Steering Committee. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 5 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/19, 084 series)

The Australian position favored the policy proposal, and view was recorded that the prescribed interim levels should not prejudice final levels to be determined at the peace conference. The Chinese

ITEM 4 - RESTITUTION OF LOOTED PROPERTY (FEC-011/32; -011/12)

The French representative explained that, although the principle of paragraph 8 was opposed by his Government, he would not vote against the paper as a whole, but would abstain. The Chinese position was reserved pending final instructions. The Soviet position was opposed to the paper in the absence of an amendment to paragraph 10 proposed at the Steering Committee. Further consideration was postponed.

ITEM 5 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/19, 084 series)

The Australian position favored the policy proposal, and view was recorded that the prescribed interim levels should not prejudice final levels to be determined at the peace conference. The Chinese position was reserved, pending further instructions. The French position was, that while no termination date should be specified, the French representative would not oppose adoption of the policy. The New Zealand position was opposed to the termination date and would abstain from voting. Further consideration postponed.

ITEM 6 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

Representatives were polled on the procedural question of whether to bring FEC-231/4 to a vote at the present meeting. By a vote of 6 to 2 with 3 abstentions, final action was postponed.

ITEM 7 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed.

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Civil Aviation in Japan

U.S. statement formally presented.

b. Commission Schedule During August

Consideration of Chairman's proposal that there be a two-week recess in Commission meetings was postponed.

ITEM 10 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

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Summary - 67th FEC Mtg

24 July 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 67TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 66TH MEETING

Approved.

ITEM 2 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

The U.S. member invited attention to FEC-231/6, a statement of the U.S. position which had been circulated too late for inclusion on the printed agenda. The Australian member presented a formal statement and urged an early vote. Further action postponed to afford time for further consideration of FEC-231/6 and the Australian statement.

ITEM 3 - INTERIM IMPORT-EXPORT POLICIES FOR JAPAN (FEC-032/25, FEC-032 series)

Approved as a policy decision.

ITEM 4 - EXTENSION OF THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICY ON TEMPORARY RETENTION OF ELECTRIC STEEL FURNACES (FEC-239/6; 239 series, FEC-059/30, -059/13)

Approved as a policy decision, with understanding that record of Chinese position would accompany directive to SCAP.

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed.

Approved as a policy decision.

ITEM 4 - EXTENSION OF THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICY ON TEMPORARY RETENTION OF ELECTRIC STEEL FURNACES (FEC-239/6; 239 series, FEC-059/30, -059/13)

Approved as a policy decision, with understanding that record of Chinese position would accompany directive to SCAP.

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed.

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

Unanimously agreed that texts of policy decisions on Interim Import-Export Policies for Japan and on Extention of the Far Eastern Commission Policy on Temporary Retention of Electric Steel Furnaces should be released to the press in the normal course.

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Summary - 66th FEC Mtg.

17 July 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 66TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-FIFTH MEETING

Approved.

ITEM 2 - ELECTION OF MR. F. C. RODRIGUEZ AS DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE NO. 5: WAR CRIMINALS (FEC-004/28)

Approved.

ITEM 3 - ELECTION OF REAR ADMIRAL S. S. RAMISHVILI AS DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE NO. 7: DISARMAMENT OF JAPAN (FEC-004/30)

Approved.

ITEM 4 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

Australian representative requested early vote on proposed policy decision. Further consideration postponed pending conclusion of diplomatic negotiations.

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

The Chairman drew attention to U. S. view that an FEC decision was urgently needed regarding the establishment of revolving funds for the rehabilitation of Japanese industry, as proposed in papers on Restitution of Looted Property (C1-002/33), and Interim Import-Export Policies for Japan (FEC-032/24).

Australian representative requested early vote on proposed policy decision. Further consideration postponed pending conclusion of diplomatic negotiations.

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed.

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

The Chairman drew attention to U. S. view that an FEC decision was urgently needed regarding the establishment of revolving funds for the rehabilitation of Japanese industry, as proposed in papers on Restitution of Looted Property (C1-002/33), and Interim Import-Export Policies for Japan (FEC-032/24).

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

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Summary - 65th FEC Mtg.

10 July 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 65TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-FOURTH MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE NO. 1 (FEC-004/27)

Unanimously approved the election of Dr. R. H. van Gulik as Deputy Chairman of Committee No. 1, vice Dr. G. A. Ph. Weyer.

ITEM 3 - TEXT OF PUBLIC REPORT ON COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (FEC-215/11; 215 series)

Unanimously agreed to authorize Secretary General to publish report.

ITEM 4 - SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS STATEMENT TO ACCOMPANY RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF TEXT OF THE BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-238/4; 238 series)

FEC-238/4 adopted by a vote of 9 to 1.

ITEM 5 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4, FEC-231/5; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

No discussion. Postponed.

ITEM 6 - CONTROL OF JAPANESE MILITARY ACTIVITY IN JAPAN (FEC-017/5; SC-020 series)

Soviet amendments postponed. FEC-017/5 together with Soviet amendments referred to Committee No. 7: Disarmament of Japan for consideration.

ITEM 4 - SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS STATEMENT TO ACCOMPANY RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF TEXT OF THE BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-238/4; 238 series)

FEC-238/4 adopted by a vote of 9 to 1.

ITEM 5 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4, FEC-231/5; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

No discussion. Postponed.

ITEM 6 - CONTROL OF JAPANESE MILITARY ACTIVITY IN JAPAN (FEC-017/5; SC-020 series)

Soviet amendments postponed. FEC-017/5 together with Soviet amendments referred to Committee No. 7: Disarmament of Japan for consideration.

ITEM 7 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

No discussion. Postponed.

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Retained on agenda.

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 10 - PRESS RELEASE

FEC-215/11 (Item 3 above) and FEC-238/4 (Item 4 above) released to press.

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64th FEC Mtg.
3 July 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 64TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-THIRD MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE (FEC-004/25)

Unanimously approved election of Mr. O. Reuchlin as Steering Committee Deputy Chairman (FEC-004/25)

ITEM 3 - TEXT OF PUBLIC REPORT ON COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (FEC-215/9; 215 series)

Retained on agenda, pending consolidation of errata enumerated in FEC-215/10 with text of report. (Revised text subsequently circulated as FEC-215/11)

ITEM 4 - SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS STATEMENT TO ACCOMPANY RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF TEXT OF THE BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-238/2, SC-238/1, FEC-238)

Soviet amendment (FEC-238/3) proposed, deleting reference to functions of peace conference. FEC-238/2 referred, together with Soviet and other proposals, to Basic Policy Subcommittee of Steering Committee for consideration and report directly to Commission.

ITEM 5 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; FEC-231/5, 231 series, FEC-035, FEC-035/1)

No decision. Postponed.

ITEM 6 - CONTROL OF JAPANESE MILITARY ACTIVITY IN JAPAN (FEC-017/5; SC-020 series)

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Postponed. Awaiting Soviet instruction.

ITEM 7 - PROPOSAL OF SECRETARY GENERAL FOR COMMISSION SUMMER SCHEDULE (FEC-006/1)

Discussion not favorable to Commission recess. Retained on agenda.

ITEM 8 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

No discussion. Postponed.

ITEM 9 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Retained on agenda.

ITEM 10 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Report by Mr. Whitman on Food Mission to Japan

Verbatim Record of Mr. Whitman's remarks explaining report of Harrison Food Mission included as Appendix to minutes.

ITEM 11 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

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MEMORANDUM FOR INFORMATION NO. 243/3

SUMMARY PAGES OF THE FEC MINUTES
1st - 63rd Meetings

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Secretary General

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SUMMARY--FEC

FEC--RESTRICTED

SUMMARY--63rd FEC Mtg.

26 June 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 63RD MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-SECOND MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series, FEC-035/1)

Formal statement presented by the Australian Representative requesting adoption of FEC 231/4. After discussion, further consideration postponed pending conclusion of diplomatic negotiations. (pp. 1-5)

ITEM 3 - SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS STATEMENT TO ACCOMPANY RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF TEXT OF THE BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-238/2, SC-238/1, FEC-238)

Postponed, on statement of Soviet Representative, who awaited instructions. (p. 7)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED TEXT FOR PUBLIC REPORT ON COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (SC-215/6, FEC-215/7, FEC-215/8; 215 series)

Postponed. (Text of Proposed Report as amended by SC-215/8, subsequently circulated as FEC-215/9) (p. 7)

ITEM 5 - CONTROL OF JAPANESE MILITARY ACTIVITY IN JAPAN (FEC-017/5, SC-020/13, SC-020/14; SC-020/11, SC-020/12)

Postponed. Soviet Representative requested time to receive instructions. (pp. 8-9)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

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ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. EXTENSION OF FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICY ON TEMPORARY RETENTION OF ELECTRIC STEEL FURNACES (FEC-239, FEC-239/1; FEC-059/13, FEC-059/30)

. FEC-239/1 referred to Committee No. 2. Commission approved policy decision (subsequently circulated as FEC-239/2) extending provisions of FEC-059/30 until 31 July 1947 pending decision by FEC for further review. (pp. 9-10)

b. SUMMER SCHEDULE OF COMMISSION MEETINGS

Secretary General to prepare proposed schedule of summer meetings for consideration. (p. 11)

c. DEPARTURE OF AMBASSADOR LOUDON

Expressions of regret by the Chairman and by Dr. Loudon. (p. 11)

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 11)

SUMMARY--FEC

FEC--RESTRICTED

SUMMARY--62nd FEC Mtg.

19 June 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 62ND MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 61ST MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - BASIC OCCUPATION POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/7, FEC-014/8, FEC-014/6; FEC-014 series, SC-022 series)

(Discussion of this item issued as an Appendix to the minutes of the 62nd meeting)

Unanimous approval of FEC-014/7. Agreement to refer statement of the Indian Representative in FEC-014/6 and of other Governments made at this meeting to Basic Policy Subcommittee of Steering Committee in connection with possible public statement to be released to the press when text of FEC-014/7 released. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

The U. S. Representative presented a formal statement. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED POLICY CONCERNING REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (FEC-236)

Referred to Steering Committee for further consideration. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - PROPOSED TEXT FOR PUBLIC REPORT OF COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (FEC-215/7, SC-215/6; 215 series)

Changes in proposed text circulated in FEC-215/8. Fur-

[illegible] statement to be released to the press when text of FEC-014/7 released. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231/4; 231 series, FEC-035, /1)

The U. S. Representative presented a formal statement. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-2)

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Changes in proposed text circulated in FEC-215/8. Further consideration postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. The Chairman announced the departure of Major Plimsoll, of the Australian Delegation, for Japan. (p. 2)

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC RESTRICTED

SUMMARY - 61st FEC Mtg.

12 June 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 61st MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 60th MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - PROPERTY OF WAR CRIMINALS (FEC-204/13, /11, /12; FEC-007/7)

Following discussion of the occupation costs provision, FEC-204/11 unanimously approved as policy decision. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/6; /4, /5)

Soviet amendment as shown in FEC-014/5 approved. On the request of Australian Representative, further consideration of this policy postponed for one week. (pp. 1-4)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED TEXT FOR PUBLIC REPORT ON COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (FEC-215/7, SC-215/6; 215 series)

Following request of Soviet Representative, further consideration of motion to authorize Secretary General to publish his report on Commission Activities postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Retained on the agenda. (pp. 4-5)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED TEXT FOR PUBLIC REPORT ON COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (FEC-215/7, SC-215/6; 215 series)

Following request of Soviet Representative, further consideration of motion to authorize Secretary General to publish his report on Commission Activities postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Retained on the agenda. (pp. 4-5)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

None. (p. 5)

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

Text of policy decision on the Property of War Criminals (FEC-204/11) to be released to press in the normal course. (p. 5)

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY - 60th FEC Mtg.

5 June 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 60th MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 59th MEETING

Corrected and approved.

ITEM 2 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4, /5)

Amendment to FEC-014/4, subsequently circulated as FEC-014/6, submitted by the Indian Representative. After general discussion, further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-3)

ITEM 3 - PROPERTY OF WAR CRIMINALS (FEC-204/11, /12; FEC-007/7)

Postponed pending redrafting of FEC-204/12 (subsequently circulated as FEC-204/13). (p. 3)

ITEM 4 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business. (p. 4)

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 4)

ITEM 4 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business. (p. 4)

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 4)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-59th FEC Mtg.

29 May 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 59TH MEETING

(General McCoy welcomed Mr. A. S. Drakeford, Australian Minister for Air, guest at this session)

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 58TH MEETING

Corrected and approved.

ITEM 2 - PROPERTY OF WAR CRIMINALS (FEC-204/11; FEC-007/7)

The Indian Representative questioned the provision regarding the disposition of forfeited property and fines. The U. S. Representative offered a substitute for paragraph 2, FEC-204/11, subsequently circulated as FEC-204/12. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 3 - STATEMENT BY AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE RELATIVE TO REPARATIONS (FEC-227)

It was agreed to table FEC-227 and remove it from the agenda, with the understanding that any Representative who wished later to express views concerning it would be permitted to do so. (p. 2)

ITEM 4 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4)

Following discussion and a statement by the Australian Representative further consideration of FEC-014/4 and the Soviet amendment (subsequently circulated as FEC-014/5) was postponed. (pp. 2-4)

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed at the request of the Soviet Representative. (p.4)

ITEM 6 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-23[illegible]; FEC-035 series)

It was agreed to table FEC-227 and remove it from the agenda, with the understanding that any Representative who wished later to express views concerning it would be permitted to do so. (p. 2)

ITEM 4 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4)

Following discussion and a statement by the Australian Representative further consideration of FEC-014/4 and the Soviet amendment (subsequently circulated as FEC-014/5) was postponed. (pp. 2-4)

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed at the request of the Soviet Representative. (p.4)

ITEM 6 - JAPANESE WHALING (FEC-231; FEC-035 series)

After discussion it was agreed to refer FEC-231 to Committee No. 2 for urgent consideration and report. (p. 5)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

In reply to an inquiry by the New Zealand Representative, the Chairman said that a reply to the Supreme Commander in regard to a possible visit of FEC representatives to Japan (Minutes, 54th Meeting FEC) had been delayed in the hope of settling further questions regarding the work of the Commission. (p. 6)

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-58th FEC Mtg.

22 May 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 58TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 57TH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - THE SELECTION OF PLANTS FOR REPARATIONS REMOVALS, DESTRUCTION OR RETENTION IN JAPAN (FEC-091/6; FEC-084, FEC-059/3)

The Commission approved FEC-091/6. (p. 1-2)

ITEM 3 - PROPERTY OF WAR CRIMINALS (FEC-204/11; FEC-007/7)

After discussion of the allocation of forfeited property and fines, further consideration was postponed. (pp. 2-3)

ITEM 4 - STATEMENT BY AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE RELATIVE TO REPARATIONS (FEC-227)

Postponed in agreement with suggestion of Australian Representative for discussion at next meeting. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 7 - RELEASE TO PRESS OF FEC-083/5, COMMISSION POLICY DECISION ON ASSURED PRODUCTION CAPACITY LEVELS FOR JAPAN

It was agreed to remove from the agenda the subject of release to the press of FEC-083/5. (p. 3)

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Postponed. (p. 4)

[illegible] discussion at next meeting. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 3)

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ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS (corrected page substituted for original page.

a. Departure of Sir George Sansom
b. Remarks of Sir Carl Berendsen concerning recent U.N. Session. (p. 4)

ITEM 10- PRESS RELEASE

The Commission agreed that a statement concerning the policy decision on Selection of Plants for Reparations, Removals, Destruction or Retention in Japan (Item 2 above) should be released to the press in the normal course. (p. 4)

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-57th FEC Mtg.

8 May 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 57TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING

Approved with changes requested by Soviet Representative.

ITEM 2 - SOURCES OF JAPANESE IMPORTS (FEC-060/11; FEC-060 series)
DESTINATION OF JAPANESE EXPORTS (FEC-032/21; FEC-032 series)

FEC-060/11 and FEC-032/21 approved. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - DIVISION OF REPARATIONS SHARES (FEC-219/6; 219 series)

FEC-219/6 approved. The Australian Representative abstained after stating his position. (Minutes, 56th Mtg. FEC, p.1) The Philippine Representative requested a record, with the voting, of his statement in Steering Committee (Minutes, 61st SC Mtg. p. 1) The U. S., the Soviet, and the Chinese Representatives drew attention to their respective understandings of the text. (pp. 1-3)

ITEM 4 - STATEMENT BY AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE RELATIVE TO REPARATIONS (FEC-227)

Further consideration postponed after considerable discussion. (pp. 3-6)

ITEM 5 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 7 - RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF FEC-083/5, COMMISSION POLICY DECISION ON ASSURED PRODUCTION CAPACITY LEVELS FOR JAPAN.

[illegible] (p. 7)

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ITEM 5 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 7 - RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF FEC-083/5, COMMISSION POLICY DECISION ON ASSURED PRODUCTION CAPACITY LEVELS FOR JAPAN.

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 8 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Tabled and removed from agenda. (p. 7)

ITEM 9 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 10- OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business. (p. 7)

ITEM 11- PRESS RELEASE

Agreed to release to the press in the normal course statements concerning the policy decisions on Sources of Japanese Imports, Destination of Japanese Exports, and Division of Reparations Shares (as set forth in Item 3 above). (p. 7)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-56th FEC Mtg.

5 May 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 56th MEETING

(The Chairman welcomed as a guest at this session Mr. Oscar Morland, Counsellor and Financial Adviser at United Kingdom Liaison Mission in Tokyo)

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING

Approved without correction. (p. 1)

ITEM 2 - DIVISION OF REPARATIONS SHARES (FEC-219/6; 219 series)

The U. S. member, seconded by the Soviet Representative, moved approval of FEC-219/6. The Australian Representative presented a formal statement (subsequently circulated as FEC-227). After considerable discussion the Australian Representative moved that further consideration be postponed to 8 May. The motion was carried, China, the U.S., and U.S.S.R. voting against. The Chairman ruled the motion carried on the numerical count as a procedural matter. The Soviet member reserved the right not to agree to a similar ruling in future. The Australian Representative agreed with the distinction made by the Chairman between matters of substance and procedure. (pp. 1-9)

ITEM 3 - BASIC POST-SURRENDER POLICY FOR JAPAN (FEC-014/4)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 4 - SOURCES OF JAPANESE IMPORTS (FEC-060/11; FEC-060 series)
DESTINATION OF JAPANESE EXPORTS (FEC-032/21; FEC-032)

Postponed, for consideration May 8. (p. 9)

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 6 - RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF FEC-083/5, COMMISSION POLICY RE-

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Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 4 - SOURCES OF JAPANESE IMPORTS (FEC-060/11; FEC-060 series)
DESTINATION OF JAPANESE EXPORTS (FEC-032/21; FEC-032)

Postponed, for consideration May 8. (p. 9)

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 6 - RELEASE TO THE PRESS OF FEC-083/5, COMMISSION POLICY DECISION ON ASSURED PRODUCTION CAPACITY LEVELS FOR JAPAN.

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 7 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business. (p. 9)

ITEM 10- PRESS RELEASE

None.

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-55th FEC Mtg.

24 April 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 55TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - COMPOSITION, FUNCTIONS, AND OPERATIONS OF REPARATIONS, RESTITUTION, AND RESTORATION MISSIONS IN JAPAN (FEC-203/4, FEC-203)

The following resolution was approved: "The Far Eastern Commission takes note of FEC-203/4 and approves its provisions as being in general conformity with the policy of the Far Eastern Commission." (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - DESTRUCTION OR REMOVAL OF UNITED NATIONS PROPERTY IN JAPAN (FEC-226/1)

Approved unanimously. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSAL FOR PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADOPTION BY FAR EASTERN COMMISSION OF POLICY ON ASSURED PRODUCTION LEVELS FOR JAPAN (FEC-083/5) (FEC-083/8)

It was agreed that FEC-083/8 be withdrawn with the understanding that the general subject of release to the press of text of FEC-083/5 be continued on the agenda. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 5 - SOURCES OF JAPANESE IMPORTS (FEC-060/11; FEC-060 series) DESTINATION OF JAPANESE EXPORTS (FEC-032/21; FEC-032 series)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

In reply to an inquiry of the Soviet member the Chairman gav a ruling (Roberts Rules of Order) on "a motion for the previous question." (Minutes, 54th FEC Meeting, p.2) The Chairman said he would refer FEC-201/1 to Committee No. 1

COMMISSION OF POLICY ON ASSURED PRODUCTION LEVELS FOR JAPAN (FEC-083/5) (FEC-083/8)

It was agreed that FEC-083/8 be withdrawn with the understanding that the general subject of release to the press of text of FEC-083/5 be continued on the agenda. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 5 - SOURCES OF JAPANESE IMPORTS (FEC-060/11; FEC-060 series)
DESTINATION OF JAPANESE EXPORTS (FEC-032/21; FEC-032 series)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 6 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

In reply to an inquiry of the Soviet member the Chairman gav a ruling (Roberts Rules of Order) on "a motion for the previous question." (Minutes, 54th FEC Meeting, p.2) The Chairman said he would refer FEC-201/1 to Committee No. 1 if there were no objection. The Soviet member was opposed to this proposal but desired further discussion at the next meeting. (pp. 3-4)

ITEM 7 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2, FEC-224)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Inquiry by French Representative Regarding Division of Japanese Naval Vessels

The U. S. Representative agreed to try to get the desired information from his Government.

ITEM 10- PRESS RELEASE

The Commission unanimously agreed that a statement concerning the policy decision on Destruction or Removal of United Nations Property in Japan should be released to the press in the normal course.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-54th FEC Mtg.

17 April 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 54th MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FIFTY-THIRD MEETING

Approved without correction. (p. 1)

ITEM 2 - UNITED STATES PROPOSAL WITH REGARD TO RELEASE OF STILL UNPUBLISHED DECISIONS OF THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION (FEC-221, MI-088/1, FEC-215,p. 34)

(See Item 3)

ITEM 3 - DETERMINATION OF THE PEACEFUL NEEDS OF JAPAN (FEC-106/4; FEC-106/1)

Items 2 and 3 considered together. The Australian Representative submitted a substitution for Section B of FEC-221. It was agreed to postpone consideration of this proposal and FEC-221 was approved. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 4 - SOURCES OF JAPANESE IMPORTS (FEC-060/11; FEC-060 series)
DESTINATION OF JAPANESE EXPORTS (FEC-032/21; FEC-032)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

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ITEM 6 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

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Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

The Chairman read a letter from the Assistant Secretary of State (subsequently circulated as FEC-224). (p. 3)

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Oral Statement by the Chairman of Committee No. 1: Reparations on Recent Actions of the Committee (p. 3)

b. Reply to Inquiry Addressed to Chairman at last FEC Meeting by Mr. Naggiar Regarding Newspaper Accounts of Proceedings at 52nd FEC Meeting. (p. 4)

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

The Commission unanimously agreed that, in accordance with the provisions of FEC-221, the policy decisions enumerated therein should be released to the press. (p. 4)

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-53rd FEC Mtg.

10 April 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 53RD MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-SECOND MEETING

Corrected and approved.

ITEM 2 - SOURCES OF JAPANESE IMPORTS (FEC-060/11; FEC-060 series)
DESTINATION OF JAPANESE EXPORTS (FEC-032/21;FEC-032 series)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1)

Views of French and Indian Representatives referred to Committee No. 1. Two Soviet motions, one to redraft FEC-201 followed by remarks by the French, Indian, Chinese, Australian, U.S. and U.K. Representatives, and another motion on this paper, were lost. The U.S. Representative presented a formal statement on percentages of reparations shares. A Soviet motion to put FEC-201/1 to a vote was lost. The U.S. motion for authorization to withdraw FEC-201/1 was followed by a request of the Soviet member that further consideration be postponed. It was agreed to postpone further consideration.(pp. 1-6)

ITEM 4 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 5 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Enquiry Regarding Newspaper Accounts of Proceedings at the 52nd FEC Meeting.

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ITEM 4 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 5 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Enquiry Regarding Newspaper Accounts of Proceedings at the 52nd FEC Meeting.

The French Representative requested the Chairman to make inquiry as to the source of the accounts. (p. 7)

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 7)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-52nd FEC Mtg.

3 April 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 52ND MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FIFTY-FIRST MEETING

Corrected and approved.

ITEM 2 - ADVANCE TRANSFERS OF JAPANESE REPARATIONS (FEC-201/1, FEC-216)

ITEM 3 - REPARATIONS ALLOCATIONS PROCEDURES FOR INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES IN JAPAN (FEC-211/3, FEC-211/4)

These two items considered together. The Chairman analyzed briefly the papers involved. FEC-216 contained statement of proposed U.S. Interim Directive on Advance Transfers of Japanese Reparations. Detailed discussion and statements by all Representatives followed. Agreed to retain FEC-201/1 on agenda and to refer FEC-211/3 and FEC-211/4 to Committee No. 1: Reparations for further consideration. (pp. 1-13)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED TEXT FOR PUBLIC REPORT ON COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (FEC-215)

It was voted unanimously to refer FEC-215 to Steering Committee for consideration. (p. 13)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 13)

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 13)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Schedule of Meetings during Easter Holiday

Chairman noted suggestion of French Representative

(FEC-215)

It was voted unanimously to refer FEC-215 to Steering Committee for consideration. (p. 13)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 13)

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 13)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Schedule of Meetings during Easter Holiday

Chairman noted suggestion of French Representative (Minutes, 58th SC Meeting, p. 3) regarding not holding meetings during Easter week-end. Could be followed if deemed practicable by committee chairmen. (p. 13)

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 13)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-51st FEC Mtg.

27 March 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 51st MEETING

(The Chairman welcomed Mr. M. Asaf Ali, Ambassador of India who was for the first time representing his Government at a Commission meeting.)

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE FIFTIETH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - POLICY FOR THE REVISION OF THE JAPANESE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM (FEC-092/1)

Unanimously approved with amendment suggested by the Secretary General, with the understanding that the statements presented by the Indian and Australian Representatives would be sent to the Supreme Commander, together with the directive based on the policy decision. (p. 3)

ITEM 3 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 4 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 5 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN

The U.K. Representative referred to the removal of FEC-026/10 and FEC-026/12 as amended by FEC-026/14 from the agenda at the last meeting. He notified the Commission of the likelihood that he would submit a new paper on the subject. (p. 4)

b. RELEASE TO PRESS OF COMMISSION POLICY DECISION ON REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 4 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 4)

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b. RELEASE TO PRESS OF COMMISSION POLICY DECISION ON REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION.

The Secretary General announced proposed time of release, 27 March. (p. 4)

c. SOVIET STATEMENT REGARDING REPARATIONS DELIVERIES

Mr. Korobochkin, Soviet member of Committee No. 1: Reparations presented formal statement, at request of Soviet Representative on the Commission. (pp. 4-5) It was agreed that this statement should be circulated to the Commission members (circulated later as FEC-212) and referred to Committee No. 1 for consideration. (p. 5)

ITEM 6 - PRESS RELEASE

Agreed that a statement concerning the policy decision on Revision of the Japanese Educational System should be released to the press in the normal course. (p. 5)

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-50th FEC Mtg.

20 March 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE 50TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FORTY-NINTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE NO. 3: CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL REFORM (FEC-206/4) (p. 1)

The Commission approved the election of Mr. B. R. Sen of India.

ITEM 3 - REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION WITH THE SUPREME COMMANDER RELATIVE TO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTION LAW (FEC-210/1; FEC-101/1, C3-009, MI-007)

The Commission unanimously approved FEC-210/1. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - REPLY TO CABLE FROM PRIME MINISTER OF THE MONGOLIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC RELATIVE TO REPARATIONS FROM JAPAN (FEC-095/4;-095)

The Commission approved proposed reply by Secretary General, (p. 1)

ITEM 5 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN

The U. S. Representative stated that his Government would approve a policy decision in the form proposed by FEC-026/12 amended by FEC-026/14. No motion being made to approve the paper, the Chairman ruled that both policy proposals on food had failed of acceptance. (p. 1)

ITEM 6 - RELEASE TO PRESS OF COMMISSION POLICY DECISION ON REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, /1; FEC-031/41, MI-075)

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ITEM 7 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 10- PRESS RELEASE

Agreed that a statement concerning release to the press of Commission policy decision (Item 6 above) be released to the press in the normal course. (p. 3)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-49th FEC Mtg.

13 March 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 49TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - ALLIED TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/1; FEC-088)

The French Representative expressed his understanding of the policy decision. Requested that it be recorded in minutes with his approval. FEC-088/1 approved unanimously. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - RECOMMENDATION OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE FOR DISPOSITION OF THE FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL (FEC-200/6; FEC-200)

FEC-200/6 accepted. Cognizance taken of statement by Dr. Blakeslee, as chairman of the sub-committee which made the recommendation. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/12, /14, /13, /10)

U.S. position remained favorable only to FEC-026/12 as amended in FEC-026/14. The Indian Representative commented briefly. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 5 - REPORT BY SECRETARY GENERAL ON ATTENDANCE OF FAR EASTERN COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE AT SESSIONS OF UNITED NATIONS FAR EASTERN WORKING GROUP ON DEVASTATED AREAS (FEC-202/2; FEC-202)

Agreed that the Chairman might later raise the question of extending invitation to ECOSOC to send observer to any pertinent FEC meeting. Reply of Secretary General subsequently circulated as SC-202/3. (p. 2)

ITEM 6 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLI-

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ITEM 6 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION. (FEC-103; MI-075)

U.S. formal statement followed by extended discussion and Australian motion to accept U.S. position. U.S. prepared to accept motion with the understanding that publication within Japan was matter for implementation by SCAP. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 2-5)

ITEM 7 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Welcome to Mr. Sen, newly-appointed Alternative Representative for India.

b. Correspondence from Soviet Representative to the Chairman - Mr. Tsarapkin appointed Deputy Representative.

c. Account with National City Bank for Japanese Dollar Funds - Statement by U.S. Representative - (FEC-209) (p. 5)

ITEM 10- PRESS RELEASE

Agreed that statement concerning FEC-088/1 (Item 2 above) be released to the press in the normal course. (p. 5)

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-48th FEC Mtg.

6 March 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 48TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FORTY-SEVENTH MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE NO.5: WAR CRIMINALS (FEC-206/1)

The Commission unanimously approved recommendation of election of Mr. Liu of China and Mr. Coronel of the Philippines as Chairman and Deputy Chairman respectively. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - PROPOSED REPLY TO NORWEGIAN REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RELATIVE TO REPARATIONS CLAIMS (FEC-205/2; FEC-205)

FEC-205/2 unanimously approved, with correction in wording. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - ALLIED TRADE REPRESENTATIVES IN JAPAN (FEC-088/1, FEC-088)

Agreed to postpone, the French Representative not being prepared to state the views of his Government. (p. 1)

ITEM 5 - INTERIM PRINCIPLES FOR RESTITUTION OF IDENTIFIABLE PROPERTY CONFISCATED IN JAPAN FROM ALLIED NATIONALS (FEC-011/28, FEC-011/24)

FEC-011/28 unanimously approved. Chinese and French understandings as recorded in Minutes of this meeting to be forwarded to SCAP with the directive based on the policy decision. The points raised by the U.K. Representative as recorded in Minutes of this meeting to be discussed when a later paper on this subject brought up. (pp. 2-3)

ITEM 6 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/10,/12)

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ITEM 6 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/10,/12)

The U.S. Representative referred to previous discussion. The U.S. position was to agree on policy decision if in form of FEC-026/12. After discussion and consultation the U.S. Representative submitted an amendment (subsequently embodied in FEC-026/14) Further consideration postponed. (pp. 3-6)

ITEM 7 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, MI-075)

The U.S. Representative not yet prepared to state his position. The Australian Representative called attention to the advantage of publication of the provision prior to the Japanese Elections. Further consideration of FEC-103 postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 9 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 7)

ITEM 10- OTHER BUSINESS

a. Departure of Mr. Vesugar, who announced that Mr. Asaf Ali, the newly appointed Ambassador, would succeed him, with Mr. B. R. Sen acting as alternate representative. (p. 7)

ITEM 11- PRESS RELEASE

None.

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-47th FEC Mtg.

27 February 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 47TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE FORTY-SIXTH MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - SHORT PERIOD CONTROLS OVER THE JAPANESE ECONOMY TO RELIEVE WORLD SHORTAGES (FEC-079/4)

Unanimously approved. U.S. understanding in regard to paragraph 1 recorded in minutes. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF (FEC-026/10, /12)

Formal statement by U.K. Representative. U.S. Representative drew attention to FEC-026/12 as substitute for previous paper. Extended discussion as to whether statement of fact should be included in paper regarding superiority of diet of Japanese over that of countries suffering from Japanese aggression. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-4)

ITEM 4 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, MI-075)

Replying to Australian query, U.S. Representative not yet prepared to state his position. Canadian and U.K. Representatives expressed hope for early announcement of review provision. Further consideration postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 5 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 6 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 4 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, MI-075)

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ITEM 5 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 6 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

Agreed to release statement on Short Period Controls Over the Japanese Economy to Relieve World Shortages (FEC-079/4) to press in the normal course. (p. 5)

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-46th FEC Mtg.

20 February 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 46TH MEETING

(In the absence of the Chairman, General Hilldring served as Chairman pro tempore)

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FORTY-FIFITH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - REPORT OF COMMITTEE NO. 3 ON REPLY BY THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS TO COMMISSION CONSULTATION RELATIVE TO DRAFT DIET LAW (FEC-107/3; FEC-101/5, FEC-107, FEC-107/1)

Motion to accept the report was carried unanimously. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - ASSURED PRODUCTION CAPACITY LEVELS FOR JAPAN (FEC-083/2, FEC-083/3, /4)

FEC-083/2 was unanimously approved as amended, with the understanding that no publication would take place until after the designation by SCAP of plants for retention. Dr. Koo's statement to be forwarded to SCAP together with the communication of the policy decision. (pp. 1-4)

ITEM 4 - INTERIM PRINCIPLES FOR RESTITUTION OF IDENTIFIABLE PROPERTY CONFISCATED IN JAPAN FROM ALLIED NATIONALS.(FEC-011/23

Paper referred to Committee No. 6: Aliens in Japan, for reconsideration in the light of the discussion of this item. (pp. 5-6

ITEM 5 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/10) PROPOSED UNITED STATES REVISION (FEC-026/12)

Discussion of proposed U.S. revision. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 6-8)

ITEM 6 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATING TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIE

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Discussion of proposed U.S. revision. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 6-8)

ITEM 6 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATING TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, MI-075)

The Australian Representative presented the case for immediate publication of the review provision. U.S. Representative not yet prepared to state position of his Government. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 8-9)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 8 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 10)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Request by United Nations Far East Working Group on Devastated Areas for Attendance of Far Eastern Commission Representative (FEC-202)

Agreed that member of FEC Secretariat would attend meetings of this Group as an observer. (p. 10)

ITEM 10- PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-45th FEC Mtg.

13th February 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 45TH MEETING

INFORMAL SESSION

a. Chairman's presentation of Mr. George Atcheson, Jr., Chairman of the Allied Council of Japan.
b. Chairman reported on his conference with the Secretary of State.
c. Remarks by Rev. P. J. Byrne of the Maryknoll Fathers.

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE FORTY-FOURTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - DELIVERY OF REPARATIONS GOODS IN JAPAN (FEC-094/2)

FEC-094/2 approved, after correction of typographical error. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - ASSURED PRODUCTION CAPACITY LEVELS FOR JAPAN (FEC-083/2, /3)

The Chairman drew attention to the proposed amendments offered by the Soviet and Chinese Representatives respectively. U.S. proposal for change of wording in the Soviet amendment. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 4 - INTERIM PRINCIPLES FOR RESTITUTION OF IDENTIFIABLE PROPERTY CONFISCATED IN JAPAN FROM ALLIED NATIONALS (FEC-011/23)

Chairman drew attention to advisability of prior agreement on FEC-083/2, which involved the same principles. Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/10)

U.S. Representative not prepared to state position. Postponed (p. 2)

ITEM 6 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, MI-075)

U.S. Representative not prepared to state position. Postponed, (p.2)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-2)

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U.S. Representative not prepared to state position. Postponed, (p.2)

ITEM 7 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 8 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

The U.S. Representative presented plan for advance transfers of Japanese Reparations (subsequently circulated as FEC-201) Document containing plan referred to Committee No. 1: Reparations. (p. 3)

ITEM 9 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 10- REMARKS BY REV. P. J. BYRNE OF THE MARYKNOLL BROTHERS (see beginning of Minutes)

ITEM 11- OTHER BUSINESS

None. (p. 3)

ITEM 12- PRESS RELEASE

Agreed to release to the press in the normal course a statement concerning the policy on Delivery of Reparations Goods in Japan (FEC-094/2) (p. 3)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-44th FEC Mtg.

6 February 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 44TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF FORTY-THIRD MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - DELIVERY OF REPARATION GOODS IN JAPAN (FEC-094/1)

Change in wording accepted. Chinese Representative reserved his position on the paper. Further consideration postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - ASSURED PRODUCTION CAPACITY LEVELS FOR JAPAN (FEC-083/2)

Discussion of amendment offered by Soviet Representative, with particular reference to matter of consultation by SCAP with the Allied Council of Japan. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 1-3)

ITEM 4 - INTERIM PRINCIPLES FOR RESTITUTION OF IDENTIFIABLE PROPERTY CONFISCATED IN JAPAN FROM ALLIED NATIONALS (FEC-011/23)

The Chairman expressed advisability of settlement of same involved in FEC-083/2 before further consideration. Agreed to postpone. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/10)

U.S. not prepared to state position. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 3-4)

ITEM 6 - FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION (FEC-200)

On the suggestion of the Netherlands Representative, FEC-200 referred to Steering Committee for study and report. (p.4

ITEM 7 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

ITEM 4 - INTERIM PRINCIPLES FOR RESTITUTION OF IDENTIFIABLE PROPERTY CONFISCATED IN JAPAN FROM ALLIED NATIONALS (FEC-011/23)

The Chairman expressed advisability of settlement of same involved in FEC-083/2 before further consideration. Agreed to postpone. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/10)

U.S. not prepared to state position. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 3-4)

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U.S. Representative not yet prepared to state his position. Further consideration postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 8 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 9 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

ITEM 10- REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 11- OTHER BUSINESS

a. Remarks by Mr. R. V. Thompson, Member of Australian House of Representatives
b. Proposal to hear remarks of Father Byrne of the Maryknoll Fathers. (Agreed)
c. Proposed Change in Schedule of Commission Meetings(pp.4-5; Discussion. No change.)

ITEM 12- PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 5)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-43rd FEC Mtg.

30 January 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 43rd MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FORTY-SECOND MEETING

Amended at request of Soviet Representative and approved.

ITEM 2 - CONSULTATION WITH THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS RELATIVE TO THE DRAFT DIET LAW (FEC-107)

Unanimously approved. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF IN JAPAN (FEC-026/10)

US. Representative asked for postponement of consideration since he was awaiting instructions. Presented formal statement on the American Food Mission to Tokyo. Further consideration postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 4 - JAPANESE RESEARCH AND ACTIVITY IN THE FIELD OF ATOMIC ENERGY (FEC-024/6)

FEC-024/6 unanimously approved. Excerpts from Minutes, containing statements by the British and Indian representatives, to be forwarded to SCAP together with the statement of policy. (pp. 2-3)

ITEM 5 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO FAR EASTERN POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, MI-075)

New Zealand, Australian, Canadian representatives suggested early publication of text of review provision in FEC-103. U.S. representative awaiting instructions. Further consideration postponed. (pp. 3-4)

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105/2, SC-049/2)
ITEM 7 - SUMMARY OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION (FEC-108)

FEC-024/6 unanimously approved. Excerpts from Minutes, containing statements by the British and Indian representatives, to be forwarded to SCAP together with the statement of policy. (pp. 2-3)

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ITEM 7 - SUMMARY OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION (FEC-108)

These two items considered together. New Zealand and Indian representatives suggest more publicity of Commission activities. Further consideration postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 8 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 9 - REPORTS ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 10- OTHER BUSINESS

a. Departure of Sir Girja Bajpai, Indian Representative on the Far Eastern Commission.

- Remarks of Chairman and Sir Girja. (pp. 4-5)

ITEM 11- PRESS RELEASE (Item 4 above)

Agreed to release statement to the press in the normal course on the policy on Japanese Research and Activity in the Field of Atomic Energy (FEC-024/6). (p. 5)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-42nd FEC Mtg.

23 January 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 42ND MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FORTY-FIRST MEETING

Amended and approved.

ITEM 2 - DETERMINATION OF THE PEACEFUL NEEDS OF JAPAN (FEC-106)

FEC-106 approved unanimously. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-103, MI-075)

U.S. representative not prepared to state position. Agreed to postpone. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - JAPANESE RESEARCH AND ACTIVITY IN THE FIELD OF ATOMIC ENERGY (FEC-024/6)

Some representatives not prepared to state position. Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 5 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105, SC-049/2)

The N.Z. member moved adoption of FEC-105. General expression of views of members regarding purpose of the resolution proposed. (47th SC meeting) Subject kept on agenda for further consideration. (pp. 1-5)

ITEM 6 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUION (FEC-087/14)

Agreed to remove official texts of Constitution from the agenda, discussion to be reopened at any time desired by any representative. (p. 5)

Some representatives not prepared to state position. Postponed. (p. 1)

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ITEM 7 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 8 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Japanese Texts of Implementing Legislation

-Texts of Diet Law, Imperial House Economy Law, Imperial House Law, House of Councillors Law, Cabinet Law (FEC-101/7, /8, /9, FEC-101/10 and FEC-101/11) circulated for the consideration of Committee No. 3: Constitutiona and Legal Reform. (p. 6)

b. Time of Weekly Commission Meeting

-The Chairman announced the suggestion that had been made to hold the weekly meeting on Friday. (p. 6)

ITEM 10- PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 6)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-41st FEC Mtg.

16 January 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 41ST MEETING

(In the absence of the Chairman, Dr. Blakeslee served as Chairman pro tem)

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FORTIETH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE NO. 2: ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (FEC-004/22)

Mr. F. C. Everson elected chairman. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - CONSULTATION WITH THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS RELATIVE TO IMPERIAL HOUSE ECONOMY LAW: ASSIGNMENT OF STATE PROPERTIES (FEC-101/3, -104)

FEC-104 approved following discussion. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 4 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION. (FEC-103, MI-075)

Dr. Blakeslee, acting as U. S. Representative, said he would bring views expressed by members in extended discussion of this item to attention of his Government. Unanimous agreement to postpone further consideration. (pp. 2-4)

ITEM 5 - JAPANESE RESEARCH AND ACTIVITY IN THE FIELD OF ATOMIC ENERGY (FEC-024/6)

British, Soviet and French representatives not prepared to state position. Unanimous agreement to postpone further consideration. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105, SC-040/2)

FEC-104 approved following discussion. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 4 - PRESS ARTICLE RELATIVE TO FAR EASTERN COMMISSION POLICIES ON THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION. (FEC-103, MI-075)

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ITEM 5 - JAPANESE RESEARCH AND ACTIVITY IN THE FIELD OF ATOMIC ENERGY (FEC-024/6)

British, Soviet and French representatives not prepared to state position. Unanimous agreement to postpone further consideration. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (FEC-105, SC-049/2)

Agreed to postpone further consideration until return of Chairman at next Commission meeting. (pp. 4-5)

ITEM 7 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14, -087/15)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 8 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 9 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 10- OTHER BUSINESS

a. REPLY OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS TO THE CONSULTATION REGARDING ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COUNCILLORS (FEC-102, FEC-102/1)

-Reply to consultation(FEC-102/1) had been circulated to Commission representatives and referred to Committee on Constitutional and Legal Reform for consideration. (p. 5)

b. CONSULTATION RELATIVE TO TIMETABLE OF IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION

-Dr.Blakeslee said new inquiries had been dispatched to Japan regarding delay in receiving texts in U.S.A.(p.5)

ITEM 11 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-40th FEC Mtg.

9 January 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 40TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - PROPOSED CONSULTATION WITH THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS REGARDING THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COUNCILLORS (FEC-102)

Unanimously approved. (p. 1).

ITEM 3 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14,-087/15)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. CONSULTATION RELATIVE TO TIMETABLE OF IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION

-Chairman said special session would be called to consider statement of New Zealand member (Minutes, 39th

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. CONSULTATION RELATIVE TO TIMETABLE OF IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION

-Chairman said special session would be called to consider statement of New Zealand member (Minutes, 39th FEC meeting) and SC-049 on The Work of the Commission. (p. 1)

b. ISSUE TO JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OF PROVISION FOR REVIEW OF CONSTITUTION

-The Chairman said that SCAP had (in accordance with FEC-099/3 adopted by FEC 12 December 1946) issued to Japanese Government the terms of the policy decision contained in FEC-031/41, Provisions for the Review of a new Japanese Constitution, approved by the Commission on 17 October 1946. (p. 1)

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-39th FEC Mtg.

2 January 1947

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 39TH MEETING

(The Chairman welcomed the representatives returning from United Nations sessions and the new Canadian Ambassador, Mr. Hume H. Wrong, for the first time attending a Commission meeting. He expressed pleasure at the news report of Sir George Sansom having been honored in the King's New Year's list.)

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING

Approved without correction. (p. 1)

ITEM 2 - REPLY OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS TO COMMISSION'S CONSULTATION RELATIVE TO TIMETABLE OF IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION (FEC-100/1, /3, /4, MI-072)

Formal statement by the New Zealand Representative. (pp. 1-2) Remarks by the Australian Representative. (pp. 2-4) and the Indian Representative (pp. 4-5) Philippine Representative (p. 5) These views to be transmitted to his Government by U. S. Representative. (p. 5)

ITEM 3 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14, /15)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

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ITEM 3 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14, /15)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 6)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

None. (p. 6)

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 6)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-38th FEC Mtg.

19 December 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 38TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - CONSULTATION RELATIVE TO TIMETABLE OF IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION (FEC-100)

U.S. Representative presented information on status of Diet bills. (Circulated as FEC-100/2) FEC-100 approved, with amendment suggested by U.S. representative. (pp. 1-2)

ITEM 3 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14, /15)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Left to discretion of Chairman.

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

(FEC-001 series)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Left to discretion of Chairman.

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-37th FEC Mtg.

12 December 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 37TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - ISSUANCE OF THE POLICY DECISION ON REVIEW OF THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-099/3)

The Australian Representative presented a resume of the issues involved in connection with publication of the review provision. FEC-099/3 approved as a policy decision. (pp.1-4)

ITEM 3 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14, /15)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 4 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. "OCCUPATION OF JAPAN: POLICY AND PROGRESS"

The Chairman invited attention to this U.S. Government publication, to be circulated to the Commission. (p. 4)

b. MEETING SCHEDULE DURING CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Left to discretion of the Chairman. (p. 4)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 5 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 4)

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Left to discretion of the Chairman. (p. 4)

ITEM 7 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 4)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-36th FEC Mtg.

6 December 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 36TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - INTERIM REPARATIONS REMOVALS: STEEL ROLLING INDUSTRY (FEC-059/29)

INTERIM REPARATIONS REMOVALS: TEMPORARY RETENTION OF ELECTRIC STEEL FURNACES (FEC-059/30)

Both papers approved as FEC policy decisions. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - PRINCIPLES FOR JAPANESE TRADE UNIONS (FEC-045/2, /4)

FEC-045/2 approved with substitution of proposal "A" of FEC-045/4 for Paragraph 7 (subsequently circulated as FEC-045/5) (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14, /15)

Agreed to retain this item on agenda. (p. 1)

ITEM 5 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 6 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION

-To be referred to Committee No. 3 for consideration as

(FEC-087/14, /15)

Agreed to retain this item on agenda. (p. 1)

ITEM 5 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 6 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION

-To be referred to Committee No. 3 for consideration as soon as copies of bills received from Tokyo. (p. 2)

b. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN TIMES OF MEETINGS

-The Indian Representative requested prompt notification of any change. (p. 2)

c. WELCOME TO MR. JUSTICE T. C. DAVIS

-The Chairman presented as a guest at this session, Mr. Justice Davis, former high commissioner for the Canadian Government to Australia, newly-appointed Ambassador to China.

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

Agreed to release to the press the text of the policy decisions in Items 2 and 3 above. (p. 2)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-35th FEC Mtg.

21 November 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 35th MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - REPARATIONS REMOVALS: ACCESSORY PLANTS AND FACILITIES (FEC-059/24)

Voted to refer to Committee No. 1 for reconsideration.

ITEM 3 - PRINCIPLES FOR JAPANESE TRADE UNIONS (FEC-045/2)

Ad hoc sub-committee unable to agree on alternative revisions of par. 7 (FEC-045/4). Soviet Representative requested postponement pending instructions from his Government. Agreed to postpone further consideration. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - OFFICIAL JAPANESE AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/14, -087/15)

Inconsistencies noted in designation of the Emperor in title of Chapter 1 of the Constitution. Further consideration postponed. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - PROVISION FOR THE REVIEW OF A NEW JAPANESE CONSTITUTION: STATEMENT BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT (FEC-031/45)

ITEM 6 - ISSUANCE OF THE POLICY DECISION ON REVIEW OF THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-099)

These two items considered together. Views of all representatives expressed. Compromise suggestion to meet different views offered by the Chinese Representative. Motion by U.S. Representative to amend Paragraph II (FEC-031/45) later withdrawn. Agreed to refer both papers to Steering Committee for further consideration. (pp. 2-10)

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ITEM 7 - JAPANESE LEGISLATION TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSTITUTION (FEC-098)

Australian Representative deplored likelihood of final action by Diet before draft implementing legislation received by the Commission. U.S. Representative referred to measures taken to assure prompt expedition from Tokyo. (pp. 10-12)

ITEM 8 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/1, -084/2)

After discussion it was agreed to refer both papers to Committee No. 2, together with amendments proposed by the Chinese Representative, for immediate consideration and early report. (p. 12)

ITEM 9 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 12)

ITEM 10- REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 13)

ITEM 11- OTHER BUSINESS

a. ANNOUNCEMENT BY SECRETARY GENERAL REGARDING DISTRIBUTION OF IDENTITY CARDS (for officers and officials of Far Eastern Commission, not otherwise designated as members of diplomatic missions.)

b. TIME OF NEXT MEETING

At the call of the Chairman.

ITEM 12- PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-34th FEC Mtg.

14 November 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 34TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SECOND AND THIRTY-THIRD MEETINGS

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - PRINCIPLES FOR JAPANESE TRADE UNIONS (FEC-045/2)

Voted that paragraph 7 be referred to an ad hoc subcommittee consisting of the U.K., Soviet, N.Z., and Philippine representatives for consideration and report. (pp. 1-3)

ITEM 3 - REPARATIONS REMOVALS: ACCESSORY PLANTS AND FACILITIES (FEC-059/24)

Soviet Representative not prepared to state position. Further consideration postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 4 - DRAFT CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/1); AMENDMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT CONSTITUTION BY THE JAPANESE DIET (FEC-087/10, /12, /13)

Comments on interpretation of Article XV. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/1)

Agreed to postpone further consideration of FEC-084/1, together with amendments proposed by the U.K. and U.S. Representatives. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 7 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

THE DRAFT CONSTITUTION BY THE JAPANESE DIET (FEC-087/10, /12, /13)

Comments on interpretation of Article XV. (p. 3)

ITEM 5 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/1)

Agreed to postpone further consideration of FEC-084/1, together with amendments proposed by the U.K. and U.S. Representatives. (p. 4)

ITEM 6 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 4)

ITEM 7 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p.4)

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESS

None. (p. 4)

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

None. (p. 4)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY-33rd FEC Mtg.

1 November 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 33RD MEETING
(For approval of Minutes of last meeting, see Summary of 34th Meeting)

ITEM 1 - PROVISIONS FOR THE REVIEW OF A NEW JAPANESE CONSTITUTION: REPLY OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS TO CONSULTATION (FEC-031/42)

Extended discussion of the advisability of publication of the review provision. It was agreed that Committee No. 3 should prepare a report on the subject of review of the constitution in accordance with the discussion at this meeting. (pp. 1-7)

ITEM 2 - OTHER BUSINESS

None. (p. 7)

None. (p. 7)

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY - 32nd FEC Mtg.

31 October 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 32ND MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FIRST MEETING

Amended and approved. (p. 1)

ITEM 2 - REPARATIONS REMOVALS: ACCESSORY PLANTS AND FACILITIES (FEC-059/24)

Soviet Representative without instructions. Consideration postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - SELECTION OF PLANTS FOR REPARATIONS REMOVALS, DESTRUCTION OR RETENTION IN JAPAN (FEC-091/2)

Agreed to refer FEC-091/2, with proposed Soviet amendment, to Committee No. 6 to prepare a report for consideration at next FEC meeting. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/1)

At the suggestion of the Soviet Representative it was agreed to keep FEC-084/1 on the Commission agenda for consideration with the report on FEC-091/2 to be submitted by Committee No. 6. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - PROVISIONS FOR THE REVIEW OF A NEW JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-031/41)

Extended discussion of question of publication of review provision and delay in receiving Japanese text of the Constitution. The Chinese Representative submitted a copy of the text as printed in JIJI Shimbun for 9 October 1946 (subsequently circulated as MI-003/5). Agreed to postpone consideration of FEC-031/41. A special meeting to be called to consider the views of the Supreme Commander on publication

ITEM 4 - REDUCTION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WAR POTENTIAL (FEC-084/1)

At the suggestion of the Soviet Representative it was agreed to keep FEC-084/1 on the Commission agenda for consideration with the report on FEC-091/2 to be submitted by Committee No. 6. (p. 2)

ITEM 5 - PROVISIONS FOR THE REVIEW OF A NEW JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-031/41)

Extended discussion of question of publication of review provision and delay in receiving Japanese text of the Constitution. The Chinese Representative submitted a copy of the text as printed in JIJI Shimbun for 9 October 1946 (subsequently circulated as MI-003/5). Agreed to postpone consideration of FEC-031/41. A special meeting to be called to consider the views of the Supreme Commander on publication of the policy, if transmitted to the Commission before promulgation of the Constitution. (pp. 2-6)

ITEM 6 - DRAFT CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/1; AMENDMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT CONSTITUTION BY THE JAPANESE DIET (FEC-087/10)

Postponed. (p. 6)

ITEM 7 - PROPOSED UNITED STATES PLAN FOR REPARATIONS CONFERENCE (FEC-081 series)

Postponed. (p. 6)

ITEM 8 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 6)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 10 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY - 31st FEC Mtg.

24 October 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 31st MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTIETH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - REPARATIONS REMOVALS: ACCESSORY PLANTS AND FACILITIES (FEC-059/24)

Acceptance of suggestion of the Chairman to postpone consideration, since the informal negotiations among the Chinese, Soviet and Australian representatives had not yet been completed. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - INTERIM REMOVALS: STEEL ROLLING INDUSTRY (FEC-059/20)

Agreed to refer to Committee No. 1 for consideration in conjunction with U.S. proposals to be circulated as FEC-059/25. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - DRAFT CONSTITUTION (FEC-087/1); AMENDMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT CONSTITUTION BY THE JAPANESE DIET (FEC-087/10)

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Postponed. (p. 5)

ITEM 7 - OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 8 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY-FEC

FEC-RESTRICTED

SUMMARY - 30th FEC Mtg.

17 October 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 30TH MEETING

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF TWENTY-NINTH MEETING

Approved without correction.

ITEM 2 - REPARATIONS REMOVALS: ACCESSORY PLANTS AND FACILITIES (FEC-059/24)

Major Plimsoll reported that negotiations (p.3, Minutes, 29th FEC Mtg.) among the Australian, Chinese and Soviet representatives were proceeding but no agreement reached as yet. (p. 1)

ITEM 3 - INTERIM REPARATIONS REMOVALS: STEEL ROLLING INDUSTRY (FEC-059/20)

U.S. Representative not prepared to state position. It was expected that the views of the Supreme Commander would be circulated before the next meeting of the Commission. Further consideration postponed. (p. 1)

ITEM 4 - PROVISIONS FOR THE REVIEW OF A NEW JAPANESE CONSTITUTION (FEC-031/40)

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ITEM 7 - REPORT ON JAPANESE EXTERNAL ASSETS (FEC-072)

Postponed. (p. 3)

ITEM 8 - SUMMARY REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION (FEC-093

The chairman invited attention to the report and renewed his request for suggestions as to the betterment of the work of the Commission. Praised the spirit of cooperation shown in the problem of the Constitution and expressed hope for the same cooperation on the problem of Reparations. (p. 3)

ITEM 9 - OTHER BUSINESS

a. Resignation of Mr. Farley. Vote of thanks for his work in Commission carried unanimously. (p. 4)

b. DIPLOMATIC STATUS OF FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

Question of diplomatic privilege of representatives not on their Embassy staff. Secretary General to confer with Department of State.

c. REMARKS OF SENATOR COLLINS, of Australia, attending as a guest.

d. ABSENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY

- Announcements by representatives expecting to be absent.

ITEM 10 - PRESS RELEASE

None.