

FEC-SUMMARYFEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY-53rd FEC Mtg.10 April 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 53RD MEETINGITEM 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 BUSINESSa. 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-FECFEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY-54th FEC Mtg.17 April 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 54th MEETINGITEM 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ITEM 2 - UNITED STATES PROPOSAL WITH REGARD TO RELEASE OF STILL UNPUBLISHED DECISIONS OF THE FAR EASTERN COMMISSION (FEC-221, MI-088/1, FEC-215, p. 34)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)

The Soviet Representative requested a ruling as to the right of a member to ask for a vote on any proposal under discussion. (p. 5, Minutes, 53rd Meeting FEC) Further consideration postponed. (pp. 2-3)

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)

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. Maggiar 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-SUMMARYFEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY-55th FEC.Mtg.24 April 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 55TH MEETINGITEM 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 gave 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 BUSINESSa. 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-FECFEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY-56th FEC Mtg.5 May 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY 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 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-SUMMARYFEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY-57th FEC Mtg.8 May 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY 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.  
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-FECFEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY-58th FEC Mtg.22 May 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 58TH MEETINGITEM 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)

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)

SUMMARY-FECFEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY-59th FEC Mtg.29 May 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY 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-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.

FEC-SUMMARY

FEC-RESTRICTEDSUMMARY - 60th FEC Mtg.5 June 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 60th MEETINGITEM 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)



SUMMARY-FEC

FEC RESTRICTEDSUMMARY - 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

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)

SUMMARY--FECFEC--RESTRICTEDSUMMARY--62nd FEC Mtg.19 June 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 62ND MEETINGITEM 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. 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 Plim-soll, of the Australian Delegation, for Japan. (p. 2)

ITEM 9 - PRESS RELEASE

None.

SUMMARY--FECFEC--RESTRICTEDSUMMARY--63rd FEC Mtg.26 June 1947FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONSUMMARY OF MINUTES OF 63RD MEETINGITEM 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)

Postponed. (p. 9)

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

Postponed. (p. 9)

ITEM 8 - OTHER BUSINESSa. 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)