SUMMARY MINUTES
THIRD MEETING OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
(February 4, 1954 - 10:15 a.m.)
The Chairman read a draft of the report which he proposed to present to the Commission at its next session and requested comments. The report was accepted and the Committee authorized the Technical Secretary to prepare the report for signature.

The Committee then examined and approved with one amendment the minutes of its first and second meetings.

The Committee then turned to the question of the time and place of the next meeting and agreed that, because the time of the meeting depended upon the solution of certain problems then before the Committee on Rules of Procedure, it would not attempt to reach a decision in this matter.

With regard to the location of the next meeting, the United States Delegation withdrew the suggestion made at the Committee's second meeting that the Commission hold an interim meeting in Japan in the autumn of 1954. After some discussion the Committee agreed that the next meeting should be held at, or reasonably near its temporary headquarters, wherever that might be. At the suggestion of the Canadian Delegation, it agreed to recommend to the Commission that, as a general rule, the location of Annual Meetings be rotated among the three countries. In this connection the United States Delegation requested that the following statement be placed in the record:

"It is the policy of the United States that international organizations to which the United States is a party should meet at their headquarters unless there are compelling reasons to the contrary. In this case the United States Commissioners agree that there are compelling reasons to meet in the several countries from time to time and agree to that decision by the Commission."

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. sine die.

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Note:

Mr. Hager for Canada, Mr. Suzuki for Japan and Mr. Brooding for the United States individually examined and approved these Minutes for their Delegations on February 9, 1954.