

SECTION C.—THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 75

Composition of the Executive Board

Alternative A.

1. The Executive Board shall, subject to the provisions of the other paragraphs of this Article, consist of Members of the Organization as follows :

- (a) Canada, China, France, India, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom, United States of America and either Belgium and the Netherlands alternating every three years or the Customs Union of Belgium, Luxemburg, and the Netherlands should these States desire to be represented as a unit ;
- (b) Three Members elected by the American Republics not entitled to a seat in the Board under sub-paragraph (a) ;
- (c) One Member to be elected by each of the following groups of States if their members desire to be represented as a group :
 - (i) Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Transjordan and the Yemen ;
 - (ii) Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden ;
- (d) Five Members elected by the remaining Members ; *Provided* that groups of not less than four States, having common interests, and representing a certain proportion of world trade may be formed with the approval of the Conference and any such group shall be entitled to elect one or more Members to the Board according to the number of States which comprise it and the proportion of world trade they together represent.

2. The Conference shall make regulations relating to paragraphs 1 (b), (c) and (d) of this Article which shall provide for the mode of election, the conditions under which groups under paragraph 1 (d) of this Article may be formed, the method of reallocating seats where necessary, and other related matters.

3. The Members elected to the Executive Board shall normally be elected for terms of three years. The Conference shall establish rules

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Paragraph 1 (a).

If the Customs Union of Belgium, Luxemburg and the Netherlands as such should not desire to appoint a representative on the Board, Luxemburg would fall under paragraph 1 (d) of this Article.

The Preparatory Committee was not able to examine fully the conception of giving membership in the Board to customs unions. This matter should be considered more thoroughly by the World Conference.