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COMITÉ D'EXPERTS CONCERNANT LA STRUCTURE ADMINISTRATIVE
DE LA COOPÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DANS LE DOMAINE DE LA
PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE

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DECLARATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE
DELEGATION OF ITALY

(filed with the Secretariat of the Committee
on April 2, 1965)*

The Italian Delegation, while noting that as a result of the discussions held from March 22 onwards, the Draft Administrative Convention, as contained particularly in Documents AA/II/3, AA/II/12 and AA/II/24, has undergone amendments along the lines of the principles set forth in the Delegation's declaration reproduced in Document AA/II/9, is nonetheless obliged to observe that certain essential provisions of the Draft in its modified form have still very little in common with the point of view which the Delegation has the honour to represent.

The questions at issue are, in particular:

- the drafting of Article 3, on the subject of which several alternative solutions were put forward, including one by the Italian Delegation;

*) This Declaration was not delivered orally to the Meeting. It was handed over in writing to the Secretariat.

- the contributions which, according to the Draft, should be charged to non-Union countries adhering to the "Conference," whereas the Italian Delegation has expressed the opinion that the budget of the "Conference" should consist exclusively of the contributions of States members of the Unions;
- the statement of the majority principle for certain votes taken in the Assemblies of the Unions having at present the system of unanimity, whereas the Italian Delegation has expressed the opinion that this is a question which can only be settled by the Unions themselves;
- problems relating to the rights of accession and denunciation of States members of the Unions in respect of the Administrative Convention (Document AA/II/25, Articles 14 and 15);
- the Draft Resolution relating to the provisions applicable on an interim basis.

Consequently, the Italian Delegation, while noting with satisfaction the progress achieved in the course of the discussions towards the formulation of a basic draft, finds it necessary to reserve its position ad referendum.