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**INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION
OF LITERARY AND ARTISTIC WORKS (BERNE UNION)**

CONFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES

First Ordinary Session

Geneva, September 21 to 29, 1970

DRAFT REPORT

prepared by the Secretariat

Opening of the Session

1. The Conference of Representatives of the Berne Union (hereinafter called "the Conference") held its first ordinary session at Geneva from September 21 to 28, 1970.
2. The following States, members of the Conference at the opening of the session, were represented: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Cameroon, Chile, Congo (Democratic Republic), Gabon, India, Lebanon, Mexico, Monaco, Philippines, Poland (13).
3. The States and organizations which were represented by observers are shown in the list of participants (document AB/I/INF/2.Rev.).
4. The session was opened by Mr. Edward Armitage (United Kingdom), Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole (see document AB/I/32, paragraph 5), acting as provisional Chairman of the Conference.

Decision to Establish a Conference of Representatives of
the Berne Union

5. See document AB/I/32, paragraph 13, and Annex A.

Agenda

6. The agenda was adopted as proposed in document B/CR/I/1.Rev. and was later completed by a new item, "Headquarters Building."

Adoption of the Rules of Procedure

7. See document AB/I/32, paragraph 20.

Election of Officers

8. The Conference unanimously endorsed the proposals made by the Nominations Committee (see document AB/I/INF/3) and elected the following officers:

Chairman	:	Mr. Kanti Chaudhuri	(India)
Vice-Chairmen:		Mr. Joseph Ekeddi-Samnik	(Cameroon)
		Mr. Raúl Valenzuela	(Mexico)

9. Mr. Vojtech Strnad, Counsellor, Head of the Copyright Division of WIPO, acted as Secretary of the Conference.

Election of the Associate Members of the Executive Committee
of the Berne Union

10. On the basis of its Rules of Procedure, the Conference proceeded to the election of the associate members of the Executive Committee of the Berne Union. The number of

members of the Conference at the opening of the session being 24, and the number represented at the session being less than 20, the number of seats to be filled was five. The following States were elected in the capacity of associate members: Congo (Democratic Republic), India, Mexico, Philippines, Poland.

Establishment of a Report on the Foreseeable Expenditure of the International Bureau for the Triennial Period from 1971 to 1973 as far as the Berne Union is concerned

11. See document AB/I/32, paragraph 92.

Modification of the Maximum Annual Amount of the Expenditure of the International Bureau as far as the Berne Union is concerned and as far as such Expenditure is to be Borne by the Countries Members of the Conference meeting as a Conference of Plenipotentiaries

12. See document AB/I/32, paragraph 92, and Annex J.

Consideration of Comments concerning the Preparation for a Conference for the Revision of the Berne Convention

13. See documents AB/I/32, paragraph 76, and B/A/I/2, paragraphs 14 to 19.

Admission of Observers

14. See document AB/I/32, paragraph 44.

Headquarters Building

15. See document AB/I/32, paragraph 98.

The first part of the report deals with the general situation in the country and the progress of the work during the year. It also contains a list of the names of the members of the committee and a list of the names of the persons who have been appointed to various positions.

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