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on Thursday, 17 June 1948, at 5.30 p.m.

<u>Chairman:</u>	Mrs. Franklin D. ROOSEVELT	United States of America
<u>Rapporteur:</u>	Mr. Charles MALIK	Lebanon
<u>Members:</u>	Mr. JOCKEL	Australia
	Mr. LEBEAU	Belgium
	Mr. STEPANENKO	Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic
	Mr. CHANG	China
	Mr. LOUTFI	Egypt
	Mr. ORDONNEAU	France
	Mrs. MEHTA	India
	Mr. QUIJANO	Panama
	Mr. LOPEZ	Philippines
	Mr. KLEKOVKIN	Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic
	Mr. PAVLOV	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
	Mr. WILSON	United Kingdom
	Mr. PONTA INA	Uruguay
	Mr. LIFAN	Yugoslavia
<u>Secretariat:</u>	Mr. HUMPHREY	Director, Division of Human Rights
	Mr. LAWSON	Secretary of the Commission
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CONSIDERATION IN PRIVATE MEETING OF THE REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE
ON COMMUNICATIONS (document E/CN.4/96)

The CHAIRMAN drew the Commission's attention to the decisions and recommendations given on page 2 of the ad hoc Committee's report and observed that since the publication of the document, another confidential list of communications had been prepared by the Secretary-General (document E/CN.4/CR.2/Add.2), covering the period from 10 May to 12 June.

She put to the vote the recommendation contained in paragraph 7 (a and b) of the ad hoc Committee's report.

The recommendation was accepted by 12 votes to none, with 3 abstentions.

Mr. PAVLOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) asked that the ad hoc Committee's report should include a statement of the USSR position. His delegation thought that the Commission should not spend valuable time examining the numerous communications as very little could be accomplished and more important matters would be neglected.

The CHAIRMAN pointed out that the ad hoc Committee's report could not be changed but the USSR position was clearly stated on page 2 of the summary record of the Committee's third meeting (document E/CN.4/AC.5/SR.3).

She reminded the members of the Commission of the confidential nature of the material contained in the documents on communications.

Mr. FONTAINA (Uruguay) suggested that the Secretariat should write on all restricted documents the name of the delegation to which they were being distributed; thus, that delegation would be strictly responsible for such documents.

Mr. HUMPHREY (Secretariat) said that he would convey the suggestion made by the Uruguayan representative to the proper authorities.

The meeting rose at 6.00 p.m.