

The CHAIRMAN: Are there any other non-member countries, other than Russia, to be represented at Havana?

Mr. DEUTSCH: Spain.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: Is Poland represented there?

Mr. DEUTSCH: Poland is there.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: Did she sign?

Mr. DEUTSCH: No, she has not signed.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: What about Yugoslavia?

Mr. DEUTSCH: Yugoslavia is not there.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: Ukraina?

Mr. DEUTSCH: No.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: Bulgaria?

Mr. DEUTSCH: No. They are not there.

Hon. Mr. TURGEON: Was Poland at Geneva?

Mr. DEUTSCH: Poland was there as an observer but not as a participant.

Hon. Mr. TURGEON: Was she a participant at Havana?

Mr. DEUTSCH: She is a participant.

Hon. Mr. TURGEON: What about Czechoslovakia?

Mr. DEUTSCH: Czechoslovakia was a participant at Geneva and also will be at Havana. We do not know that all the countries that will be at Havana will sign the agreement; we do not know how many will eventually sign.

Hon. Mr. TURGEON: Did Czechoslovakia sign at Geneva?

Mr. DEUTSCH: She signed the final act at Geneva but did not sign the protocol of provisional application; in other words, she has not undertaken to bring this agreement into effect on January 1st.

Hon. Mr. McKEEN: If a member country makes an agreement with a non-member country on better terms than are indicated by the agreement under the most favoured nation clause, would that arrangement apply to all nations?

Mr. DEUTSCH: This matter has not been settled, Mr. Senator, but I think I can say with fair assurance that the rules which will be drawn up will not permit any member to make a more favourable deal with a non-member than she has made with a member. I believe that problem will be taken care of.

Hon. Mr. McKEEN: In other words if the agreement between England and Russia concerning wheat and lumber were on a more favourable basis than the wheat and lumber agreement with Canada, would Canada then be entitled to the same terms as Russia?

Mr. DEUTSCH: I may say that it is likely that if Canada feels she has been discriminated against, or has not had a fair opportunity to trade she would have the right to complain, and to have an examination of the deal made.

Hon. Mr. DAVIES: If a country was at Geneva, and not at Havana, it could still, if so desired, ask to be allowed to join the organization?

Mr. DEUTSCH: That is correct; the organization would then have to decide whether or not it wanted that member.

Hon. Mr. DAVIES: Would it have to decide that question?

Mr. DEUTSCH: Yes.

Hon. Mr. KINLEY: But it can still get the same concessions as the other countries, but has no backing?

Mr. DEUTSCH: That is correct.

Hon. Mr. KINLEY: What is the feeling in respect to a bilateral agreement between Canada and the United States? Might it not be a good thing for Can-