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Statement by the Canadian Representative in the Second Committee on December 8, 1962

The Assembly has before it this morning two amendments to the resolution proposed by the Second Committee in Document A/5316. I am sure that all delegations are aware that the first of these amendments is concerned with the time limits within which the forthcoming United Nations Conference on Trade and Development could be convened. The second amendment is concerned with one of the major topics to be taken into account by the Economic and Social Council and the Preparatory Committee in drawing up the conference agenda.

The delegations of Canada and Peru are proposing that operative paragraph 3.of the resolution recommended for adoption should be re-worded as follows:

Council to convene, after consideration of the preparatory work, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, as soon as possible after the thirty-sixth session of the Economic and Social Council (July 1963), but in no event later than early 1964, taking into account the view expressed by a large number of delegations that the Conference should be convened not later than September 1963, as well as the view of other delegations that the Conference be held in early 1964."

In addition, Mr. President, our two delegations are proposingg that operative paragraph 5(c) of the resolution should declare that one subject for inclusion on the agenda should be:

"(c) Measures leading to the gradual removal of tariff, non-tariff or other trade barriers, particularly by industrialized countries whether individually or collectively, which have an adverse effect on the exports of developing countries and hence on the expansion of international trade in general;".