

member states are elected at each major Assembly meeting and are chosen on the following basis:

- a) Eight states of major importance in air transport;
- b) Seven states providing important facilities for international civil aviation;
- c) Six states chosen from geographical areas of the world which are otherwise unrepresented.

This year there were twenty-three candidates for the Council, Japan and Chile seeking election for the first time and Sweden standing for the "Scandinavian seat" in place of Norway. When balloting was completed the following states had been elected:

Category (a): United States
United Kingdom
France
Canada
The Netherlands
Australia
Sweden
Brazil

Category (b): Argentina
India
Egypt
Italy
Belgium
Japan
Mexico

Category (c): Ireland
Lebanon
Portugal
Spain
Union of South Africa
Venezuela

Commission Meeting

While the Executive Committee was in session there were concurrent meetings of the Economic, Technical, Legal, and Administrative Commissions. The Economic Commission briefly considered the question of a multilateral agreement for non-scheduled air services and approved the action taken by the Council for collaboration with the European Civil Aviation Conference in a study of a possible multilateral agreement in the European area. There was also discussion of possible multilateral agreement on international air cargo, and the Commission noted the progress achieved in this field by the ECAC. A final resolution on this question directed the Secretariat to gather information on the movement of air cargo in other areas in addition to Europe which would be of interest to all contracting states. Although there was a large measure of agreement on the desirability of a multilateral accord it was recognized that, even in a compact region such as Europe, many differences of viewpoint remain. It was clear that many of the high hopes at earlier Assemblies