

position if one of its functional commissions were to consist of more than eighteen members. Indeed, the Economic and Social Council, having a smaller representation, would perhaps be faced with the dilemma of having to reverse a decision taken by a body larger and more representative than itself. Such a situation, in the opinion of my delegation, would be most embarrassing and might well jeopardize greatly the prestige of one of the most important bodies of the United Nations.

The comments made by the Chinese representative produced a very profound impression on my delegation; he drew attention to the effect which increased representation on the Social Commission might have on the International Children's Emergency Fund. As you know, the members of the Social Commission form part automatically of the Executive Board of UNICEF. Increased representation on the former would have the inevitable result of increasing the number of representatives on the latter. Here again, the financial implications deserve very serious consideration.

I have dealt at some length with the various proposals and suggestions that have been brought to the attention of the Third Committee, and also with their financial implications. The Canadian Delegation feels that it would be unwise for this Commission to attempt to reach a final decision concerning the merits of the different proposals and suggestions regarding the Social Commission outside the framework of the discussions which will take place next year in the Economic and Social Council on the re-organization of the Council's various commissions. The most satisfactory way of proceeding in the present instance would be to ensure that the future organization of the Social Commission and, in particular, the different proposals and suggestions that have been made here regarding it shall be studied by the Economic and Social Council when it undertakes its examination of the plan for the meetings of all of its commissions. To this end, the Canadian Delegation has presented a draft resolution which, if approved, will ensure that all the constructive proposals and amendments of the here, and particularly the resolutions and amendments of the delegations of Iraq, the Netherlands and Peru, will be brought to the attention of the Economic and Social Council at the proper time for study and recommended action. It is the sincere hope of the Canadian Delegation that all members of the Third Committee will see fit to support the draft resolution which it has submitted.

(Statement made on November 11 follows on page 4)