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The CHAIRMAN: I think Mr. Byrne had in mind that if there is any real objection on the part of anyone who wanted to be both here and in the House, I certainly would not right at the start insist on calling the meeting, and I thought we would find out what bills there were and then if any member raised any serious objection I would not call the meeting but otherwise I would.

Mr. FULTON: I think it goes beyond that, at least my feeling does. That is, we would not want to establish it as a principle right now that it is desirable to meet in the afternoon while the House is meeting. If we could call a meeting every day of the week it seems to me that we would be taking a pretty good run at the work of this committee.

The CHAIRMAN: I think we will run into trouble. Every week there will be at least one morning and maybe two when we may not be able to meet. I would hope the committee would lay down as a minimum that we meet five times a week and if we do not make headway on that basis that we meet more frequently.

Mr. GARLAND: You mentioned that this room was not available. Is there not another room available tomorrow morning? Can you not find another room?

The CHAIRMAN: No. I am told no other room is available. That is a strange thing in this building. I find it strange.

Mr. BYRNE: Let us not waste this meeting in discussing the next one.

Mr. HELLYER: Have you tried to obtain a Senate committee room tomorrow morning?

The CHAIRMAN: The clerk tells me that he might try to get it. We will make a real effort to get some room for tomorrow morning and if this cannot be done then we can see tonight what is going on tomorrow afternoon and you can count on it that the meeting will be called. If we cannot get a room tomorrow morning the meeting will be called for tomorrow afternoon unless someone raises a serious objection. Is that agreeable to the committee? We will make a real effort to get a room tomorrow morning?

Mr. MONTEITH: We have not had any experience in this committee as yet. Our work might go rapidly and successfully and I do not think we should start off at first by sitting while the House is in session; certainly not immediately.

Mr. BYRNE: I could amend my motion to say that we meet on Friday of this week and you can make it whenever you-like.

The CHAIRMAN: Is that agreeable to the committee?

Mr. MICHENER: No. I do not want to press the point about Friday afternoon, but I do have an engagement on Friday afternoon. I did not know that this committee was going to sit on Friday afternoon. However, that will not interrupt the business of the House. If it is possible to have the meeting Friday morning, I would prefer it and if not I would prefer to start the regular daily routine next week when we all know what we have to meet.

The CHAIRMAN: I think somehow we will get a room tomorrow morning. That is what I anticipate. I gather from what has been said that there will be objection if I want to call the meeting on Friday afternoon. We want to start this committee on as friendly a note as possible, so if you do not mind we will meet tomorrow morning if at all possible and then we will count on meeting once a day next week, either morning or afternoon. Is that agreeable to the committee?

Some Hon. MEMBERS: Agreed.

The CHAIRMAN: Now then, gentlemen, we have had referred to us certain estimates of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration and we have with 54035-31