REVIEW OF FORMAL AGREEMENTS WITH INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

This also was a formality. Reports are to be submitted to the next session of the General Conference.

Report on Contracts Concluded with International Nongovernmental Organizations and Grants-in-aid Alloted in 1949

This, like the non-governmental organizations question, was discussed at length, and by some delegates with feeling. The United States delegate wanted very full returns of grants-in-aid already made, and spoke (as did others) as if no information had ever been given on these matters. In response to questions from the New Zealand delegate, the Secretariat indicated how much detailed information had in fact been supplied to member States. A Drafting Sub-committee (Belgium, Greece, United States, and Rapporteur) took over an American resolution and made from it useful instructions to the Executive Board to study the whole problem, and to the Director-General to give the fullest possible information, in Budget and report, on contracts and grants-in-aid. There was no pressure actually to have the 1950 grants reduced.

SCHEME FOR A UNION OF ORGANIZATIONS WORKING FOR PEACE

The Beirut Conference had asked for a report on the possibility of welding into one international organization all bodies working for peace. It was found that an International Liaison Committee of Organizations for Peace was already on the point of being established, with which UNESCO could work if necessary; and the Commission had no more to do than to ask the General Conference to take note of that fact.

LIAISON WITH LABOUR ORGANIZATIONS

There was more discussion over this subject, some delegations perhaps feeling that there was a danger of such liaison getting out of hand, and moving into the field of technical education of workers. This, however, was never intended, and what emerged was merely some rather innocuous resolutions that the Director-General, acting in co-operation with the ILO, should try to make the activities of UNESCO known to workers, and "to consider, after consultation, if need be, with the trade-union leaders and others concerned with problems of workers' education, the possibility of including in the Organization's future programme certain educational, scientific, and cultural activities having a direct bearing on the needs and