CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION OF THE CONFERENCE AND SCHEDULE

Working Paper

I. Closing Date. Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure provides that "The Conference shall, at the beginning of its session, fix a closing date for the Conference". It is suggested that the closing date be set at October 26. The Conference can, of course decide to extend its session beyond this date if necessary.

II. Meeting Schedule. It is suggested that a five-day working week be established, it being understood that meetings may be held on Saturdays if necessary. It is also suggested that two meetings be held each day, the morning meetings being convened at 10:30 and the afternoon meetings at 2:45.

III. Establishment of Committees

A. Number. It is suggested that one Main Committee be established at the beginning of the Conference. Additional Main Committees would be established later, if the Conference should find, as the session progresses, that such additional Main Committees are necessary.

B. Composition. Each Main Committee would be composed of one representative or adviser of each of the participating Governments.

C. Terms of Reference. The Main Committee(s) would consider separately each of the articles of the Draft Statute to which amendments have been submitted. The Committee(s) would forward each article as completed directly to the Co-ordination Committee. The Co-ordination Committee, under Rule 10, is charged with reviewing the draft Statute as a whole with a view to eliminating inconsistencies in terminology and recommending to the Conference the final text of the Statute for its approval.
IV. Conference Schedule. The following schedule is suggested. The target dates noted may require adjustment by the Conference from time to time, in the light of developments at the Conference.

September 24 through October 2 - Plenary meetings, two each day

Agenda:
Opening statements by delegations on the draft Statute as a whole.

October 3 through October 19 - Main Committee, two meetings each day

Agenda for Initial Meeting:

1. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
   Since the Main Committee will in fact be a Committee of the entire Conference, it is suggested that the President and Vice-President of the Conference serve as the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Main Committee.

2. Plan of Work
   It is suggested that the Committee decide to take up in numerical order the various articles to which amendments have been submitted.

   The Committee's proceedings would be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference, as provided in Rule 37.

Agenda of subsequent Meetings:
Discussion of articles of the Draft Statute to which amendments have been submitted.

October 20 and 22 - Co-ordination Committee

Agenda:
Review of Statute as a whole with a view to eliminating inconsistencies in terminology and preparation of report to Conference on the final text of the Statute, as provided in Rule 10.

1/ The Co-ordination Committee would hold other meetings as necessary throughout the Conference to review the progress and consider measures to further progress, as provided in Rule 10.
October 23 - Plenary meetings

Agenda:
1. Consideration of report of Co-ordination Committee and vote on final text of Statute as a whole.
2. Election of six elected Members of Preparatory Commission.

October 25 and/or 26

Formal signing ceremony and additional plenary meetings if necessary to complete any remaining business.