DRAFT RESOLUTION

The CCUNCIL,

having at its Twenty-fourth Session discussed the report of the Finance Committee drawn up at the request of the Council as a result of the Spanish proposal, dated 10 December, 1962, to revise the method of calculating contributions to CERN,

having noted that it would be difficult to reach agreement on a method of calculating contributions related to the scientific and industrial development of the Member States,

that the system of a budget split into two parts, one of which consists of voluntary contributions, has proved disappointing for certain organizations which have adopted it,

that the calculation of contributions on any other basis than that of the net national income at factor cost could not be introduced without amending the Convention,

CONSIDERS that, if a Member State is entitled to the application of the provisions of Article VII, 1. (b) (ii), its income per capita may not always be treated as a special circumstance - as is done by

ESRO, whose Council fixes the amount of income "considered as a special circumstance" - without amending the Convention, but that this item may be taken into account together with a series of other elements, as was done on both occasions when CERN Member States pleaded special circumstances, and that each request should be treated as an individual case and judged on its own merits, since any other method would not be in accordance with the decisions taken previously,

IS NOT in favour of a revision of the Convention, which would be inevitable if the various suggestions put forward in the Spanish proposal were to be adopted,

HOPES that this statement of principle is such as to reassure the Spanish authorities.