

THE COUNCIL

Having regard to Article 5(b) of the Convention on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development of 14th December 1960 ;

Considering that the differences between national technical regulations applicable to certain types of equipment for the measurement of liquid volume used in the oil industry are liable to hamper trade expansion ;

Considering that the International Legal Metrology Organisation has begun work on the harmonization of these national regulations ;

I. RECOMMENDS the Governments of those Member countries which participate in the International Legal Metrology Organisation to continue

to its conclusion the work begun by this Organisation on the measurement of liquid volume, particularly on the following :

- pumps and meters for liquids other than water ;
- measuring of hydrocarbon in : storage tanks ; tank-lorries and -wagons ; barges and oil tankers ;
- measuring of hydrocarbons in tanks in their liquid or gaseous state.

II. RECOMMENDS the Governments of Member countries which do not participate in the International Legal Metrology Organisation to adapt their national technical regulations as far as possible to the international standards drawn up by the International Legal Metrology Organisation in the field covered by Section I above.

In adopting this Recommendation, the Council :

1. NOTED the Reports by the Trade Committee and the Special Committee for Machinery of 27th October 1965 on the Harmonisation of National Technical Regulations Applicable to Oil Distribution and Storage Equipment [Doc. No. C(65)110] ;
2. INSTRUCTED the Special Committee for Machinery to follow up the implementation of this Recommendation and to report on the subject in due course ;
3. NOTED that Canada abstained from this Recommendation.