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In complete agreement with the paragraph 3(b) of the information paper No. 4 of the Eight Session, I propose that Turkey be represented also in the 14th Division and participates in its activities.

This proposal is a natural consequence of the following facts:

a) Division 14 comprises practically all countries on the northern shores of the Mediterranean but excludes Turkey. This is incompatible with the principle of regional geographical grouping since Turkey is an essential part of the Mediterranean world, and therefore has been treated in geographical works dealing with the region as such. In this connection, I refer to textbooks published by Th. Fischer, Philippson (in German); Semple, Newbegin and Walker (in English) and Birot and Dresch (in French).

b) Cultural landscape, including geographical place names, their evolution in the course of time and several exonyms in western and southern regions of Turkey can only be understood in the light of Turkey's close and long-lasting relations with the Mediterranean countries.