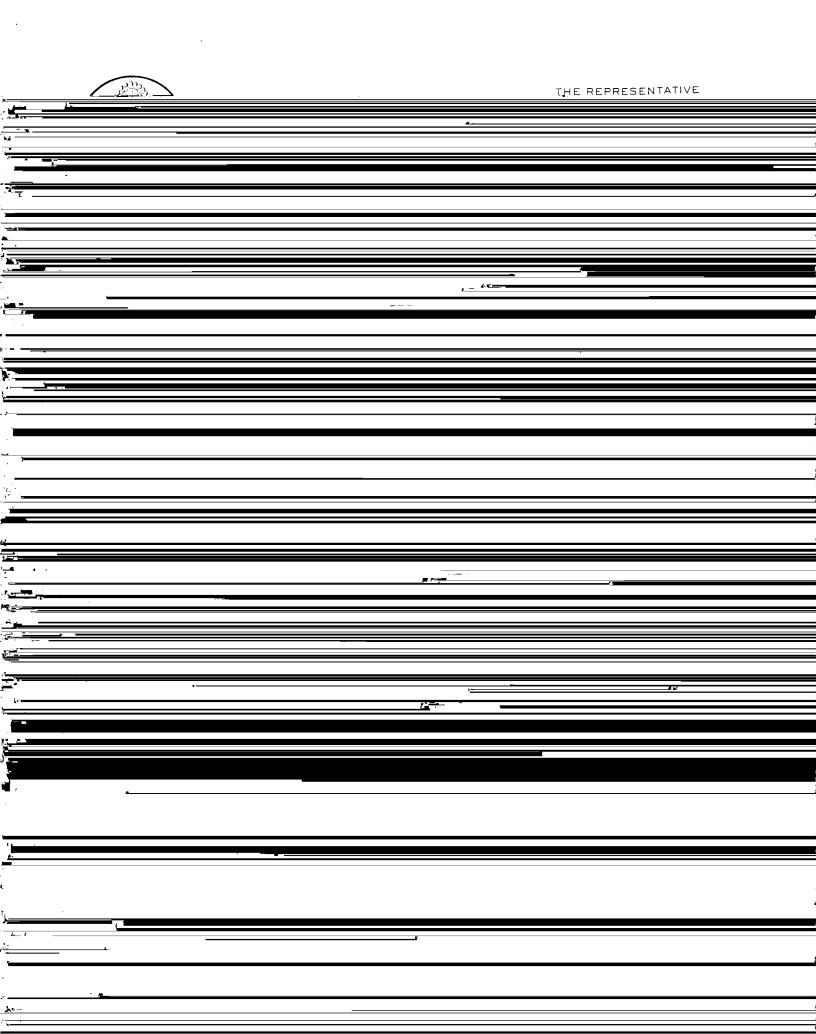
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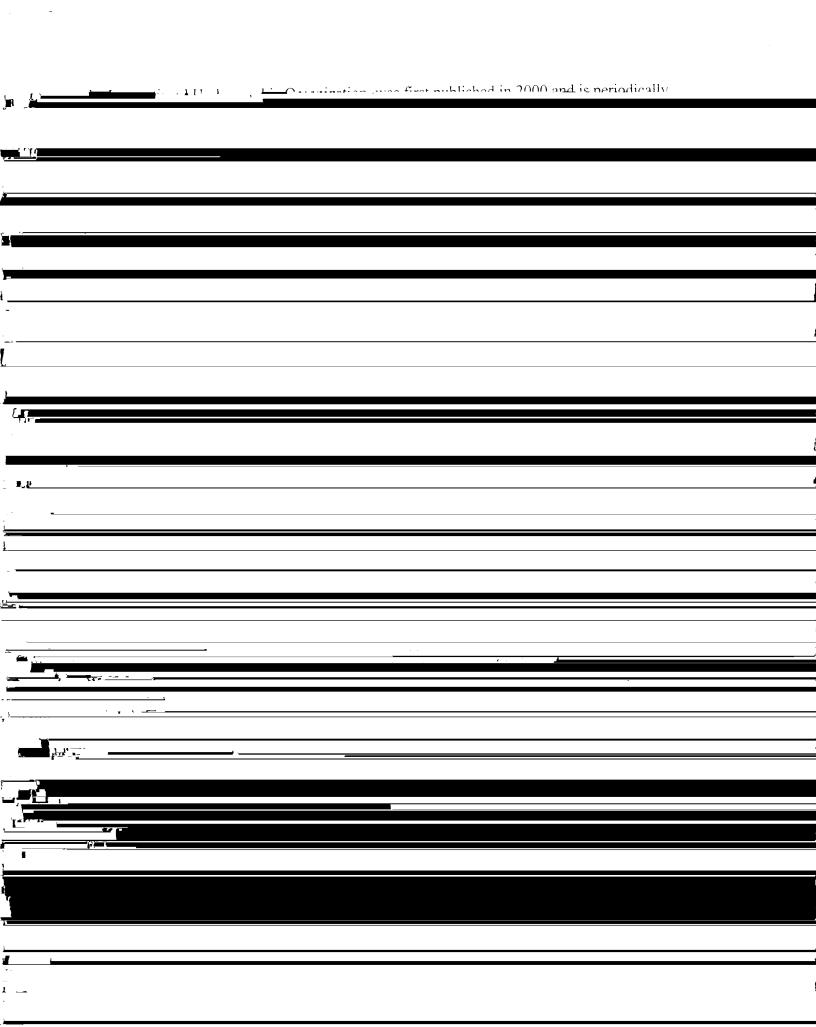
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recommendations of the Commission must be based on a high degree of confidence that they will withstand the test of time. If the Commission is unsure, it should not make a recommendation but should announce that it needs further data, analysis and debate. If a State has doubts, it should perhaps make a partial submission, leaving further amplification to a later submission. In the aforementioned scientific respects there are substantial differences between the Russian

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