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PERMITTING FREE ENTRY OF ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXHIBITION AT THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENT CONGRESS AND EXPOSITION, PHILADELPHIA, PA

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Mr. MILLIKIN, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany H. J. Res. 256]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the joint resolution (H. J. Res. 256) to permit articles imported from foreign countries for the purpose of exhibition at the First International Instrument Congress and Exposition, Philadelphia, Pa., to be admitted without payment of tariff, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the joint resolution do pass.

By virtue of this act, the Committee on Finance accepts the report of the Committee on Ways and Means, which is as follows:

### GENERAL STATEMENT

This joint resolution follows the pattern of previous legislation enacted by the Congress in connection with various international exhibitions, expositions, and fairs held in the United States. It has long been the policy of the Congress to facilitate the participation of foreign countries in international expositions held in the United States by permitting articles intended for display at these expositions to be entered free of import duties and charges under safeguarding regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The first International Instrument Congress and Exposition is to be held at Philadelphia, Pa., from September 13 to September 25, 1954, inclusive, by the Instrument Society of America, a corporation.

The joint resolution provides that the imported articles shall not be subject to marking requirements of the general tariff laws except when such articles are withdrawn for consumption or use in the United States. Articles so admitted may be lawfully sold at any time during or within 3 months after the close of the exposition, subject to such regulations for the security of the revenue and for the collection of import duties as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe.

The language of the resolution is patterned on language approved in earlier legislation providing for the free importation of goods for display at other expositions or world fairs.