

1 I am not saying at this point that you should not
2 write the broad principles into the Constitution. I am
3 not saying you should, but I am simply saying that I don't
4 think any kind of reading but a very forced reading,
5 certainly contrary to our intention when we wrote this,
6 can take what we wrote and what I have said as any indi-
7 cation of a position with regard to the question you have
8 asked me about.

9 MRS. FREEDLANDER: Could we pose a question
10 to you about a preamble? Do you think there is any
11 value in putting such items within a preamble?

12 MR. SYKES: Well, I don't know. The Federal
13 Constitution has a preamble in terms of domestic tran-
14 quility and welfare, and the like. I'm not sure that
15 this kind of preamble goes as far as some of the people
16 who are talking about a preamble before your Commission.

17 I think the simple answer is that preamble
18 is a meaningless word. There are some political parties
19 and racist groups who might write a preamble that
20 would be absolutely shocking. So, I can't be in favor
21 of a preamble or against a preamble until I know what