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The following is a summary of an article in "Der freie Bauer" of 6 February 1949, page 1, covering a session of the German Economic Commission on agricultural matters.

1. The only item on the agenda for the first session of the enlarged DWK on 1 February 1949 was the spring planting. The Farmers' Mutual Aid Association (VdgB) was represented by Otto Koerting, Kurt Vieweg, and Fritz Brauer. The rural cooperatives were represented by Ernst Busse, the Democratic Peasants' Party by Ernst Goldenbaum, Rudolf Albrecht, and Paul Scholz. The session was opened by the DWK President Heinrich Rau. The main speaker was Luitpold Steidle. The meeting ended with a resolution stating that the Länder are to carry out the following measures in accordance with the instructions from the Main Administration for Agriculture and Forestry:
 - a. To supervise the distribution of cultivated areas and of the established planting plan among the Kreise, communities and farms by the end of February 1949. Model plots are to be set up in as many communities as possible in accordance with the standard plan of the VdgB.
 - b. To see that available seed supplies for the spring sowing are utilized to the fullest measure.
 - c. To devote increased attention to the maintenance of grazing land, irrigation projects, and correction of ground levels.
 - d. To insure a careful, systematic commitment of all technical aids, including agricultural repair stations, the rational use of tractors and other planting machinery (by taking measures such as requisitioning of tractors in private hands which are not in full service); and to control the issues of fuel and oil and to utilize residual used oil.
 - e. To insure full use of draft animals which are to be released from work for the wood-cutting program to be used for the spring planting for a period of up to six weeks, depending on weather conditions.

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