

10. PERMANENT COURT OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE

In regard to the declaration made by the Government of Canada on the 7th of December, 1939, that they would not regard their acceptance of the Optional Clause as covering disputes arising out of events occurring during the present war, the Belgian Government informed the Secretary General of the League of Nations that this action calls for the same reservation on behalf of the Belgian Government as that made on the 20th of November, 1939, in regard to similar communications from the various states which were sent it previously.

The reservation made by the Belgian Government on the 20th of November, 1939, reads in translation as follows:—

“The Belgian Government which has itself accepted the Optional Clause, takes note of these communications while reserving its own point of view.”