

(2) That the following words should be added to para. (1) after line 2, page 2:

If at such discussion it should appear that one or more of the Dominions were not in agreement with their colleagues the representatives of the British Commonwealth would state that fact to the Conference.

Mr. Hughes suggested that:

The representatives at the League of Nations shall be such person or persons as shall be chosen by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the Dominions and India.

It was agreed that the next meeting should be at Paris, at a date to be specified hereafter.

24. *Acting Prime Minister to Prime Minister*

TELEGRAM P. 122

Ottawa, January 6, 1919

SECRET. From White. Council has considered B.115¹ and sees no reason change view expressed in P. 35.² If Peace Conference in its composition is to express spirit of democracy for which we have been fighting, as Council thinks it should, small Allied nations like Belgium which have fought with us throughout war should be entitled to representation throughout whole conference even if limited to one member, and if this were agreed proposal that Canada should have same representation as Belgium and other small allied nations would be satisfactory but not otherwise. Canada has had as many casualties as United States and probably more actual deaths. Canadian people would not appreciate five American delegates throughout whole Conference and no Canadian entitled to sit throughout Conference nor would they appreciate several representatives from Great Britain and Canada none. There will be great disappointment here if you are not full member of conference. We fully appreciate that you are doing everything in your power to secure suitable representation for Canada.

25. *Prime Minister to Secretary of Imperial War Cabinet*³

SECRET

Dear Sir Maurice Hankey,

London, January 7, 1919

I beg to enclose a copy of a letter from my colleague Honourable C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, with respect to the Report of the Civil Aerial

¹Borden's telegram is not printed since it merely summarized his stand at the 48th Meeting of the Imperial War Cabinet, December 31. See Document 20.

²Document 6.

³Circulated to the Imperial War Cabinet (G.T. 6622) together with the letter from Doherty which Borden enclosed.