

*The disposition of Dutch New Guinea was not decided at the Round Table Conference; under Article 2 of the Charter of the Transfer of Sovereignty, the question of the political status of this area will be determined through negotiation between the Netherlands and the Republic of the United States of Indonesia, such negotiations to take place within a year from December 27, 1949, the date of the Transfer of Sovereignty.

the Asian sphere. With regard to trade between the Netherlands and Indonesia, both countries declare themselves prepared to consider a system of mutual preferential treatment. Such a system would be devised so as not to be in contravention of international agreements. A modus civendi which will have the status of a trade agreement has been concluded for the year ending October 1950 and discussions will be held shortly as to the implementation and possible alteration of this agreement. Arrangements are also provided to exchange commercial and trade information on a very broad basis. To assist in the implementation of the projected commercial cntente, each Government will send Trade Commissioners to the other country to maintain closest contact with and give all possible assistance to the trade authorities of the other partner.

Debt Settlement

The remaining articles contain the provisions for the solution of the problem as to what portion of the public indebtedness, internal and external, of the Government of Netherlands Indonesia should become the responsibility