

of the eight members is settled before Washington Conference, remaining four members cannot be selected at Conference which would result in serious delay in constituting Governing Body and Labour Office. Organizing Committee have accordingly drawn up following list of nine states on information available though owing to war and formation of new states, statistics very uncertain and compilation of list difficult. Question of admitting Germany to the Labour Organization after the Washington Conference will come before Conference in accordance with decision of Supreme Council of Allied Associated Powers. If admitted Germany will be entitled to seat on Governing Body and last named State would lapse. If Germany not admitted last named State will be included. List is as follows:

United States; Great Britain; France; Germany;

Italy; Belgium; Japan; Switzerland; Spain.

Committee respectfully suggest any objections should be communicated to Secretary Organizing Committee, 53 Parliament Street, London, before September 10. Objections will be referred to Council of League for decision before meeting of Conference. Fontaine¹—President.

MILNER

171. *Le secrétaire aux Colonies au Gouverneur général*

PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM

London, August 21, 1919

SECRET. Following from my Prime Minister to your Prime Minister, regarding your telegram August 13th. Begins. No formal agreement signed, except one under which Belgium assigned first one hundred million pounds received from Germany. Apart from this, informal understanding is that sums received are to be divided in proportion to approved claims at dates of distribution, first distribution taking place May 1st, 1921. Ends. See my despatch August 11th, Dominions No. 632, as regards reparation arrangements generally.

MILNER

172. *Le Gouverneur général au secrétaire aux Colonies*

PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM

Ottawa, August 23, 1919

Your telegram of August 12th respecting parliamentary approval of Treaty of Peace with Germany. Canadian Government propose to proceed by way of Resolution of both Houses in order to expedite the matter. Legislation giving effect to the Treaty will be introduced later.

¹ Probablement M. Arthur Fontaine, directeur du ministère du Travail et de la Sécurité sociale; expert technique sur les questions de Travail de la délégation française à la Conférence de la Paix.