125. Le ministre des Douanes et du Revenu intérieur au Premier ministre

My dear Sir Robert,

Paris, April 29, 1919

The protocol has apparently in this copy been added directly to Clause 7 and if anything, made worse. Leaving the words "eight states mentioned above" instead of "eight members" specifically excludes us even from voting for let alone being nominated as one of the additional members of council. I notice in the only protocol left, the one fixing the first meeting at Washington, the draftsman had no difficulty in inserting Great Britain for the members of the International Organization Committee.

Yours very truly,

ARTHUR L. SIFTON

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Protocole de l'article 7

The word "Member" in this Protocol means a member of the organization established by the foregoing Convention unless it otherwise appears from the context.

The Governing Body of the International Labour Office shall be constituted as follows:

Twelve representatives of the Governments,

Six Members of the said Governing Body elected by the delegates to the Conference representing the employers,

Six Members of the said Governing Body elected by the delegates to the Conference representing the work people,

Of the twelve Members of the said Governing Body representing the Governments eight shall be nominated by the Members which are of the chief industrial importance, and four shall be nominated by the Members selected for the purpose by the Government delegates to the Conference, excluding the delegates of the eight Members mentioned above. No Member together with its Colonies, shall be entitled to nominate more than one Member of the said Governing Body.

Any question as to which are the Members of the chief industrial importance shall be decided by the Executive Council of the League of Nations.

The period of office of Members of the Governing Body will be three years. The method of filling vacancies and other similar questions may be determined by the Governing Body subject to the approval of the Conference.