

with the work of the Council. This might be done by adjusting the powers conferred on the Council and by ensuring that elected members were chosen in relation to their contribution to the maintenance of security.

In order to accomplish this purpose, decisions of the Council concerning the determination of threats to security and consequent action should be made binding initially only on states which were members of the Council and a state not represented should be required to take positive action only upon decisions endorsed by a two-thirds majority of the Assembly, or when such state had participated in the Council's proceedings, or had agreed to join in a particular task of enforcement.

It was felt that the acceptance of these suggestions would contribute to the effectiveness of the organization and assist in meeting the difficulty of obtaining the support of states in a position similar to that of Canada.

(External Affairs memorandum, Jan. 3, 1945).

6. The Prime Minister expressed general agreement with the draft memorandum submitted, but felt that the reference to participation in Council deliberations should be clarified to convey the sense of participation as a member of the Council.

7. The War Committee, after considerable discussion, agreed that the memorandum, revised in the particular mentioned by the Prime Minister, be referred to the Cabinet for consideration at the earliest opportunity.

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8. The Secretary, referring to a report of the Advisory Committee on Post Hostilities Problems on this subject, recalled that consideration of this paper had been deferred so that members of the War Committee might have further time for its examination.

Meantime, at the request of the Minister of National Defence, an amendment had been made so as to provide for the exchange of technical information on military research and technical development between Canada and the United States. Copies of the report had been circulated.

(Committee's report - C.P.H.P. (44) report 5 (final - second revision) Jan. 4, 1945 - C.W.C. document 917).

9. The Prime Minister made a number of suggestions for amendment of certain passages in the report.

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