

4. APPOINTMENT OF STAFF

The delegate of the League and the principal advisers will be appointed by the Council of the League with the agreement of the Emperor.

The agents other than the principal advisers will be appointed by the Emperor on the nomination of the delegate of the League or with his endorsement, according to the nature and importance of their functions.

5. RELATIONS WITH THE LEAGUE

The delegate or the commission will, whenever necessary and at least once a year, make reports which will be communicated to the Emperor at the same time as they are addressed to the Council of the League.

The Ethiopian Government will submit to the Council any observations it may wish to formulate in regard to these reports.

The reports and observations, if any, will be studied by the Council at the earliest possible date.

6. DURATION OF THE PLAN

As the work of assistance must be long, it would seem unpractical to assign to the plan a relatively brief duration, such as five years. It would, however, be desirable to provide that the plan may be reviewed at the end of five years by the Council of the League, so as to take account of the experience gained during that period.

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The representatives of France and the United Kingdom have informed the Committee of Five that, with a view to contributing to the peaceful settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, their respective Governments are ready to facilitate territorial adjustments between Italy and Ethiopia by offering Ethiopia, if necessary, certain sacrifices in the region of the Somaliland coast.

In negotiating on this subject, the Governments of the French Republic and of the United Kingdom will take care to obtain from the Ethiopian Government guarantees regarding the execution, in the territories to be acquired by it, of the obligations by which Ethiopia is bound in regard to slavery and to traffic in arms.

The representatives of France and of the United Kingdom have further informed the Committee of Five that their respective Governments, without wishing to impair the existing regime in regard to the treatment of foreigners and in regard to external trade, are prepared to recognise a special Italian interest in the economic development of Ethiopia. Consequently, these Governments will look with favour on the conclusion of economic agreements between Italy and Ethiopia, on condition that the existing rights of French and British nationals and protected persons are respected by the two Parties, and that the recognised interests of France and the United Kingdom under all agreements already in force are safeguarded.