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In the judgment of this Committee the principle of union in different localities. until the organic union of the negotiating Churches is consummated, should find expression in the organization of charges under the plan of co-operation jointly adopted by the negotiating Churches rather than by the organization of independent Local Union Churches. Where, however, for any reason it is found impracticable to organize under the plan of co-operation, the following suggestions are made with reference to the organization of Local Union Churches in affiliation with either the Presbyterian Church, the Methodist Church or the Congregational Union of Canada.

I. By an affiliated charge is meant a local church or churches under the care of one pastor, organized on the Basis of Union as agreed upon by the negotiating denominations and looking to one of these denominations for spiritual guidance and supervision and contributing to the missionary and connexional funds of that denomination.

II. That the ministers of the three negotiating Churches be requested to give immediate notice of any movement towards the formation of a local Union Church in their district to the authorities of their respective denominations so that conference may be held and advice given.

III. Congregations which, after conference with the authorities of their respective Church desire to form a united charge in affiliation with one of the negotiating Churches, shall present a petition, signed