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It is generally hoped that the establishment of collective security will make possible large-scale disarmament. This prospect is stressed more often by United States than by British speakers, no doubt because of the particularly bitter British experiences with disarmament during the period when, as Cranborne has pointed out, it did not occur to statesmen or peoples concerned that "collective security" is not an alternative to disarmament, but that the two are complementary. Roosevelt has said freedom from fear means a world-wide reduction of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbour - anywhere in the world. That the abolition of offensive armaments and the limitation and reduction of defensive armaments and of the tools which make the construction of such armaments possible can only be undertaken through some form of international supervision and control has been stated by Welles. Somewhat more specifically F.B. Sayre says that the end of the war, with the enemy's armaments smashed, will provide a good opportunity to take over arms plants in the enemy countries, to exercise control over them, and to limit future arms production in all countries to a fixed schedule; this programme means eventual international inspection and control over armament plants of the victorious as well as the vanquished nations - and also, if such control is to be made effective, an international police force.

An International Police Force

References to an international police force are frequent in the speeches of official and non-official persons. Welles stated recently that peace can only be assured if the great powers recognize that the threat of war anywhere threatens their own security and they must be jointly willing to exercise the police powers necessary to prevent such threats from materializing into armed hostilities. These remarks were quoted and endorsed in the House of Commons by Eden. Undoubtedly much thought is being given to the techniques of an international police by

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