

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

### Committees whose Reports are included in this volume

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On September 6th, 1935, the Council of the League appointed a Committee of representatives of the United Kingdom, France, Poland, Spain and Turkey to "make a general examination of Italo-Ethiopian relations and to seek for a pacific settlement." The Report of this Committee, known as the Committee of Five, will be found on pages 54-56.

On September 26th the Council set up a Committee composed of representatives of all its Members except the parties to the dispute to draw up a report under paragraph 4 of Article 15 of the Covenant, i.e., a Report setting forth "the facts of the dispute and the recommendations which are deemed just and proper in regard thereto." The Report of this Committee, referred to as the Committee of Thirteen, will be found on pages 7-31.

On October 5th the Council set up a Committee, referred to as the Committee of Six, consisting of representatives of the United Kingdom, Chile, Denmark, France, Portugal and Roumania, to study the situation and report to the Council not later than October 7th in order to enable it to take decisions with a full knowledge of the facts. The Report of this Committee will be found on pages 66-68.

On October 7th the Council adopted the Reports, first of the Committee of Thirteen (pages 68-79) and then of the Committee of Six (pages 79-81).

On October 9th the Report of the Committee of Six, together with the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of October 7th, was communicated to the Assembly. (Page 81.)

On October 10th this Report was concurred in by the Members of the Assembly—Italy, Austria, and Hungary dissenting. (Pages 95-96.)

On the same day the Assembly passed a recommendation for the setting up of a Committee for the Co-ordination of Measures to be taken under Article 16 of the Covenant. (Page 112.)

On October 11th the Committee of Eighteen was set up by the Committee of Co-ordination. (Page 129.) On October 19th its terms of reference were extended. (Page 132.)

The Committee of Experts, whose Report is set forth on pages 148 to 155 was set up by the Chairman of the Committee of Eighteen in accordance with a decision of that Committee on November 6th, 1935.

The Committee of Experts whose report is set forth on pages 156-160 was appointed by the Committee of Eighteen on January 22nd, 1936.