

MR. SAVAGE said he wanted public opinion to know that he retained this right.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN asked if the acceptance of his draft would enable Mr. Savage to relinquish the idea of repeating his reservation in his final speech at the Conference.

MR. SAVAGE agreed to this.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN then put his amendment to the meeting which accepted it.

The Principal Delegates agreed:

- (a) To accept the following footnote to the second paragraph on page 1:-

"It was understood and agreed that nothing in this statement should be held to diminish the right of His Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India to advocate and support their statements of policy as submitted to the Assembly of the League of Nations in September, 1936."

- (b) That it would be unnecessary to mention the matter in the speeches at the final Session of the Imperial Conference.

- (c) That the fourth paragraph should be accepted in the form agreed to at the last meeting, which is reproduced as Appendix II to these notes.

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MR. CHAMBERLAIN said it had been suggested to him that the words added at the previous meeting to the third paragraph, line 6 -

"It is in such methods and not in trials of strength between individual nations"

were not very happy and that probably the various points of view might be met by the substitution of the following:-

"It is in such methods and not by recourse to force" etc. as before.

SIR THOMAS INSKIP pointed out that the phrase used in the Covenant was "resort to force".