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The Assembly considers that, while endeavouring to secure a settlement of the dispute by the procedure of conciliation provided for in Article 15, paragraph 3, of the Covenant, it should forthwith take steps to prepare the report contemplated in paragraph 4 of the same article, on the understanding that the conciliation procedure remains open until such time as the said report shall have been adopted.

III. The Assembly hereby decides to establish a committee comprising :

(a) The Members of the Council;
(b) Those Members of the League which, not being at present Members of the Council, have taken part in the attempts previously made in America, as members of the Washington Committee of Neutrals or as States bordering upon the parties to the dispute-that is to say, Colombia, Cuba, Peru and Uruguay ;

(c) Four other members to be selected by the Assembly.

The committee will be formed without delay. It will settle its own procedure with a view to discharging its duty as effectively and speedily as possible. It may secure such assistance as it may consider necessary.

Should it succeed in bringing about the settlement of the dispute by applying Article 15, para-graph 3, of the Covenant, the committee will make public, on behalf of the Assembly, a statement giving facts and explanations regarding the dispute and the terms of settlement thereof.

Should it prove impossible to settle the dispute, the committee will submit to the Assembly the draft report contemplated in Article 15, paragraph 4, of the Covenant, containing a statement of the facts of the dispute and the recommendations concerning the cessation of hostilities, the settlement of the dispute, and any consequences arising out of those recommendations in regard to the application of the prohibition to supply arms and war materials, to which numerous Governments have subscribed, in some cases " subject to any further recommendation by the Council of the Assembly."

In accordance with Rule 1, paragraph 2, of its Rules of Procedure, the Assembly will meet in extraordinary session at the request of the committee hereby set up.

The Sixth Committee recommends to the Assembly to select as Members of the Committee : China, the Irish Free State, Sweden and Venezuela.

2. PROHIBITION, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE COVENANT, OF THE SUPPLY OF ARMS AND WAR MATERIAL TO BELLIGERENTS.

The Assembly decides to request the Council to appoint a committee to study, from the standpoint of pure law and in particular from that of interpretation of the Covenant, the question of prohibiting, under the provisions of the Covenant of the League of Nations, the supply of arms and war material to belligerents and to present its conclusions to the Council and to the Assembly.

3. Relations between the League of Nations and the Pan-American Union.

The Assembly takes note of the draft resolution submitted by the Chilian delegation concerning relations between the League of Nations and the Pan-American Union, and decides to include this question in the agenda of the next ordinary session of the Assembly.

## **III.** Administrative Questions. MANDATES.

## The Assembly,

Having noted the activities of the mandatory Powers, of the Permanent Mandates Commission and of the Council as regards the execution of Article 22 of the Covenant :

Once more expresses its confidence in them, and hopes that they will pursue in the same spirit of close co-operation the work of progress constituted by the mandates system.

## IV. Technical Organisations.

I. WORK OF THE HEALTH ORGANISATION BETWEEN THE FOURTEENTH AND FIFTEENTH ORDINARY SESSIONS OF THE ASSEMBLY.

### The Assembly.

Having considered the chapter on the work of the Health Organisation in the report on the work accomplished by the League of Nations since the fourteenth session of the Assembly :

1. Notes with satisfaction that the Health Organisation has ensured the continuity of its essential work, while adapting its activities in such a way as to take account of existing economic and financial conditions :

2. Approves the Rapporteur's conclusions and requests the Council to communicate to the Health Organisation the suggestions of a technical order in his report.

## 2. ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS.

The Assembly requests the Council to arrange for an inquiry to be made by the Economic and Financial Organisation of the League concerning the causes, scope, methods and results of compensation and clearing agreements ;

It requests that this study should, in particular, include an examination of the agreements concluded and the working of the organisations set up to provide for their execution, and should throw light upon the practical difficulties that have been encountered and the results that have been obtained.

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distant and have been stated V. Social and Humanitarian Questions.

I. TRAFFIC IN OPIUM AND OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS.

## The Assembly,

Being convinced that specialised police services represent the only means whereby Governments can detect and close clandestine drug factories and effectively combat illicit traffic ;

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Noting the lack of information regarding the numbers and character of the personnel assigned to this class of work in the various countries :

Requests that the Advisory Committee on Opium and Other Dangerous Drugs should take steps to obtain the necessary information by placing this question on the agenda for its next session.

II.

## The Assembly,

Referring to the draft International Convention for the Suppression of the Illicit Traffic in Dangerous Drugs, transmitted to the Governments on July 16th, 1934, with a view to a second consultation in application of the procedure laid down in the Assembly resolution of September 25th, 1931, for the conclusion of all general conventions to be negotiated under the auspices of the League of Nations :

Considering that, in conformity with that resolution, the results of the aforementioned second consultation, which is still in progress, should in the ordinary course be communicated to the Assembly, which would decide whether a convention should be concluded and, in that case, whether the draft should be submitted to a conference for which it would request the Council to fix a date ;

Considering, moreover, that the aforementioned resolution of September 25th, 1931, expressly empowers the Assembly and the Council to adopt more appropriate methods when circumstances render this desirable ;

Having regard to the necessity of facilitating the adoption of a draft, the urgency and importance of which have been emphasised by the Advisory Committee on Traffic in Opium and Other Dangerous Drugs as well as by the Council and Assembly, and of not postponing the above-mentioned decision until the next session of the Assembly :

Instructs the Council, for the reasons set out above, to decide, in the light of the results of the second consultation, whether a convention should be concluded and, in that case, whether the draft should be submitted to a conference for which the Council will fix a date.

The Assembly takes note of the report submitted by the Fifth Committee and adopts the resolutions and the conclusions of the report.

## 2. TRAFFIC IN WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

(1) The Assembly is of opinion that the report of the Commission of Inquiry in the East should be considered at a conference of the authorities who are responsible in Eastern countries for the measures taken to prevent traffic in women with a view to securing closer co-operation and greater exchange of information between them ; and that the Governments concerned should be consulted by the Secretary-General as to their willingness to co-operate in such a conference, to be held in the East under the auspices of the League of Nations.

(2) The Assembly, having considered the statements made by the Commission of Inquiry in the East as to Russian women refugees in China becoming victims of the traffic, decides to instruct the Secretary-General to collect further information from official and unofficial sources and to report the result of such inquiries to the Traffic in Women and Children Committee.

(3) The Assembly, having taken note of the resolutions passed by the Traffic in Women and Children Committee on the subject of the abolition of licensed houses, decides to communicate these resolutions to all States Members and non-members of the League, and to invite them to give their earnest consideration to these resolutions in dealing with the problem of prostitution.

(4) The Assembly observes that the Traffic in Women and Children Committee has decided to consider at its next session the question of the preparation of an international convention for the punishment of souteneurs.

(5) The Assembly, recognising that, to ensure the effective suppression of the traffic in women, it is important that as many States as possible should become parties to the International Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Women of Full Age, which was concluded in Geneva on October 11th, 1933, instructs the Secretary-General to invite those States which have signed the Convention to ratify their signatures as soon as possible and to draw the attention of those States which have not signed the Convention to the importance of acceding to it without delay.

## 3. CHILD WELFARE. L

The Assembly affirms the need for the systematic collation by the League of Nations of informahild welfare with a v o the form tion of a centre of information and diffusion

3. WORK OF THE COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSIT ORGANISATION. The Assembly approves the report submitted to it by the Second Committee on the work of the Communications and Transit Organisation.

When the Child Welfare Committee was established, it was recognised that this would be one of its main duties, and it is only lack of staff which has prevented its carrying it out in full. The general scheme recommended by the Child Welfare Committee and approved by the Assembly is that the

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