

LETTER FROM PROF. H.F. ANGUS,
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Dear MacKenzie,

I should have written earlier about the Conference of the I.P.R. and its Research Committee.

(1) I found that there had been some confusion about the research policy and about the disposal of I.P.R. research funds. A statement is being prepared by Condliffe, but it may be worth while to anticipate it by giving my memory of what was decided:

(a) The I.P.R. is ready to receive for possible publication any studies undertaken by the National Councils which they themselves are not publishing.

(b) National Councils are expected to engage in Research Work on their own initiative. If projects originate in a National Council they may be forwarded to the I.P.R. if the co-operation of other N.C.'s is sought and/or if financial aid is needed.

Financial aid can be given only within the resources at the disposal of the I.P.R. and therefore in practice only after consideration by the Research Committee of the I.P.R. in 1931. To secure aid for a project it is necessary to draw it up in proper form giving the requisite information under suitable headings. A project must relate to international relations and must be specially related to the Pacific Area. e.g. a study of Prohibition in the United States would not do, nor would a study of the most favoured nation clause in international treaties. But, of course, the line between domestic and international questions is a very thin one, e.g. land utilization in Japan or industrialization in China would do. The aid must be sought for a project and not for an individual though it is desirable to suggest the name of a suitable researcher. Some