

117. *Modifications faites par la délégation britannique
au Pacte de la Société des Nations*

[s.d.¹]

MEMORANDUM FROM THE SECRETARIAT

The British Delegation proposes the following corrections in the present draft of the Covenant.

To substitute the words "Members of the League" for the word "States" in Articles IV, V, VIII, XV, XVI and XXVI where that word is used to indicate States which are members of the League: and in Article IV paragraph 1 for the words "States which are members of the League".

As it will be necessary to circulate the Covenant to the Conference during the next few days, it is proposed unless objection is taken to the above suggestions, to include them in the text as circulated. If, however, any Member of the Commission takes such objection, he is requested to ask the President of the United States to call a meeting of the Commission to discuss them.

118. *Extrait du procès-verbal de la vingt-huitième réunion
de la délégation de l'Empire britannique²*

SECRET

April 23, 1919

8. PLENARY SESSION OF THE PEACE CONFERENCE

Sir Robert Borden agreed with Mr. Hughes, and expressed the view:

(a) That the British Empire Delegation should know the exact form in which the Covenant of the League of Nations would be laid before the Plenary Session;³

(b) That the British Empire Delegation should know the precise terms of the Labour Convention which was, in pursuance of his amendment, proposed at the previous Plenary Session, to conform to the Covenant of the League;

¹ Évidemment communiqué par la Commission le 24 avril. Ci-après, l'intéressante note-annexe au memorandum ci-dessus trouvée dans les dossiers du Ministère:

British Embassy, Paris, 24.4.19

Dear Jones,

Here's the paper we have got the Americans to send around. No objection appears to have been recorded up to this evening. The Covenant will be printed with this *Change* on Saturday if all goes well.

Yrs,
J. P. WATERS

² Représentants canadiens présents: sir Robert Borden, MM. C. J. Doherty et A. L. Sifton.

³ Pour le projet de Pacte révisé, tel qu'approuvé par la Conférence de la Paix, voir les *Documents parlementaires*, 1919, n° 93b.