are actually taken. This is important, because no responsible government will agree to any disarmament proposal, much less a complex of disarmament neasures, until it has reached a clear understanding with the other governments concerned of the exact implications of agreement.

Therefore I believe that attention should now be given to the possibility of negotiating on parts, if not on the whole, of the two plans. In the course of the next few days in Geneva General Burns will be making suggestions as to how this necessary process might be undertaken through joint studies.