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appendix to the Australian Paper on "Co-operation in Commonwealth Defence". In an earlier speech to the Principal Delegates, he had pointed out that Australia had reached the stage of qualitative production of the various types of their ordinary requirements, and that they hoped later to be in a position to produce the quantities of these requirements needed for war. Australia would, however, still need to turn to Britain for specialised equipment and stores.

With reference to the second suggestion of Dominion assistance in the United Kingdom, "Long Range Programme", Paper No. 6A, circulated by the Australian Delegation, indicated that the following were the directions in which Australia could undertake expansion to render the desired assistance.

- (a) Enlargement of capacity to produce anti-aircraft equipment.
- (b) Plant and equipment for production of hardened shells and bombs.
- (c) Expansion of capacity to enable the production of the newer types of machine guns.
- (d) Plant and equipment for the production of the larger natures of D.F. cartridge cases.

In regard to the suggestion of co-operation in the development of sources of supply in Eastern waters, the following proposal made in Paper No. 6 would be noted -

The Commonwealth Government would be glad if the plans for Empire co-operation proposed by it could embrace a survey of the potentialities of Australia as a source of maintenance and supply, particularly in a war in the Far East, and the directions and means by which its manufacturing resources could be increased to produce munitions in time of Empire emergency.

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