

COMMUNICATION SENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THIRTEEN ON APRIL 2nd, 1936.

(Translation)

"The Italian Government has received on April 1st the letter from M. de Madariaga dated March 27th. It is prepared to send a representative to Geneva immediately after Easter for the purpose of a first exchange of ideas as to the procedure for the conversations desired by M. de Madariaga in accordance with the mandate conferred upon him by the Committee of Thirteen. In view of the importance of the problem of determining the method of initiating contacts for the purposes of the above-mentioned conversations - and M. de Madariaga emphasised in his letter the delicate nature and importance of the problem - it would seem convenient and desirable, if M. de Madariaga considers it useful and is agreeable to do so, that a first exchange of ideas of a general character might take place with the head of the Government at Rome. M. de Madariaga will be welcome at whatever time is convenient to him, the exact date to be fixed by joint agreement."