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MR. EDEN supported this idea. He saw no reason why it should not be stated in a footnote that the United Kingdom, Ganada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India all adhered to the position they had adopted at the meeting of the Assembly in September.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN suggested that Mr. Savage's difficulties might perhaps be met if he were to clear up his position in his final speech at the Conference which would be included in the published Summary of Proceedings of the Imperial Conference.

MR. SAVAGE asked what would be the nature of the publication.

SIR MAURICE HANKEY explained that just as the Opening Statements had been published immediately after the First Meeting of the Imperial Conference, so Final Statements would be published immediately after the Final Meeting. In addition, the statements made both at the Opening Meeting and at the Final Meeting would be included in the official published Proceedings.

MR. MACKENZIE KING supported the idea of a footnote as suggested by Mr. MacDonald and Mr. Eden. The main object of this statement was that the whole world should recognise the unanimity achieved but he saw no objection to a footnote on the lines suggested by Mr. Eden.

MR. SAVAGE suggested both methods. The footnote might state that all the Governments had the right 'to advocate and support their statements of policy as submitted to the Assembly of the League of Nations last September and Delegates might, in addition, say what they wanted at the Final Meeting of the Conference. If

they could do that and; in addition, include the footnote to show that all the Governments were free to

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