

contractual disarmament. Moreover, the establishment of a common plan for the financial limitation would be connected with extraordinary difficulties owing to the great differences which are at present existing in the various countries as to the stocks of material in hand. On the other hand, regard must be had to the fact that any really effective direct disarmament would be automatically accompanied by the indispensable decrease of the heavy financial burdens under which the nations are suffering owing to the exaggerated level of armaments.

*D. Control.*

24. The carrying through and the observation of the disarmament clauses shall be secured by a procedure of control equally applicable to all countries.

*V. Transitory Provisions.*

25. In so far as the realisation of the present proposals necessitates measures of a technical nature or measures of organisation, the Conference shall have to lay down provisions regarding the procedure and the periods which the various States shall have to observe in adjusting their present armaments to the level fixed by the Convention.

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