

“ (2) After communication of the list by the Secretariat to the Governments of States, whether Members of the League or not, for their opinion, to examine the replies received and

“ (3) To report to the Council on the questions which are sufficiently ripe and on the procedure which might be followed with a view to preparing eventually for conferences for their solution.

“ The Council will no doubt wish to act in accordance with this resolution and to consider at the next meeting of this session the appointment of members of the Committee on the progressive codification of international law.

“ It is all the more important that the steps for the setting up of this Committee should be taken at the Rome session, as the Assembly on September 30th, adopted the following resolution concerning the foundation of an International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (offer of the Italian Government)

“ The Assembly

“ (a)

“ (b) Invites the Council of the League of Nations, after consultation with the competent organs (including the Committee of Experts contemplated in the resolution of the fifth Assembly dated September 22nd, 1924, the Committee on Intellectual Co-operation and the Technical Organisations of the League of Nations), to conclude with the Italian Government all agreements necessary to ensure the establishment, continuity and proper working of the Institute.

“ The Committee of Experts must therefore be constituted and available for consultation before the agreement between the Council and the Italian Government concerning the foundation of the International Institute can be concluded.”

M. Uden added that the President of the United States, in his message to Congress, had made a warm recommendation in favour of the codification of international law, which was the object of the resolution proposed.

He hoped to be able to submit a list of experts for the judgment of the Council before the end of the session.

The report was adopted.

1366. Free City of Danzig Removal of Certain Questions from the Agenda of the Council.

Mr MacDonnell, High Commissioner for Danzig, M. Sahn, representative of the Free City M. Strasburger, representative of Poland, and Colonel de Reymer, President of the Harbour Board, came to the Council table.

M. QUIÑONES DE LEÓN said that the following questions concerning Danzig had been withdrawn from the agenda

(1) Protection of the interests in Poland of Danzig citizens (Ruetzen-Kositzkau and Schauer cases)

(2) Appointment of consular attaches for Danzig at the Polish consulates.

These two questions had been removed from the agenda, as agreements had been reached between the representatives of Poland and the Free City. The text of these agreements had been communicated to the Members of the Council (Annexes 697 and 698).

The Members of the Council would remember that at its last session it had invited M. Botella and M. Uden, legal experts of the representatives of Spain and Sweden on the Council, to study the Ruetzen-Kositzkau and Schauer cases, and to submit to the Rapporteur proposals for the legal solution to be adopted in the matter. This report (Annex 697a) had been communicated, and he was convinced that his colleagues would be unanimous in thanking M. Botella and M. Uden for the valuable services which they had rendered to the Council.

1367. Free City of Danzig Expenditure incurred by the High Commissioner to secure Expert Advice in Connection with the Liquidation and Transformation of certain Public Corporations formerly operating in Western Prussia.

M. QUIÑONES DE LEÓN read his report (Annex 699) and submitted the following resolution

“ The Council adopts the present report and authorises the High Commissioner of the League of Nations in Danzig to use the funds advanced to him by the League of Nations in order to secure expert advice on certain technical points in connection with the question of the liquidation and transformation of certain public corporations formerly operating in West Prussia.”

M. STRASBURGER and M. SAHM agreed to the proposal contained in the report.

The resolution was adopted.

1368. Free City of Danzig Commercial Treaties concluded between Poland and other Countries affecting the Free City of Danzig.

M. QUIÑONES DE LEÓN read his report (Annex 700).

The conclusions of the report were adopted.