Forum: Paris Peace Conference

Subject: Territorial Disputes

Submitter: The Kingdom of Italy

Co-Submitters: United States of America, France, Soviet Russia, Poland, British Empire, Kingdom of Belgium, Dominion of India, Japanese Empire

The Paris Peace Conference,

Notes with concern that many territories are under foreign rule,

Alarmed by the fact that the local populations are suppressed by them,

Deeply convinced that suppressing ethnicities is detrimental to peace,

Emphasising that the former colonies should become new countries which should be created according to their own local ethnicities,

- 1. <u>Demands</u> the future independence of the British, Italian, Belgian, American colonies, dominions and protectorates;
- 2. <u>Accepts</u> the annexation after being mandates for up to ten years and through closed plebiscites of the following territories:
 - a. Hongkong and Weihai to the Republic of China,
 - b. Dalian and Formosa to the Republic of China;
 - c. From Trentino through South Tyrol to Trieste, Fiume
- 3. Demands that the Colonial Empires are allowed to rule their colonies for up to 10 years after the Paris Peace Conference in order to stabilise the economies of the colonial empires after the world war
 - a. That the Colonial Empires not be allowed to charge their former colonies any compensatory fees in the future,
 - b. Urges former Colonial Empires to keep free trade zones with their former colonies;
- 4. <u>Recognizes</u> that Great Britain requests the formation of a trade alliance under the name of the Commonwealth Trade Alliance (CTA) with Canada and India to support their local economies and also offers to the other Commonwealth nations to participate in the CTA;
- 5. Appreciates the idea that the newly created countries have the right to:
 - a) choose their own national language,
 - b) create their own flag
 - c) change the boundaries if there are any ethnic arguments (e.g. arguments between Muslims and Christians).

7. Calls upon the establishment of the Committee of Independence as a part of the League of States to supervise and approve the cases of colonies in question;

- a. Asks for this committee to discuss the economic, political and social status of the colonies striving to achieve self-governance
- b. Strongly urges the committee to encourage the creation of fair democratic states with a strong notion of equality in regards to human rights
- c. Notes that the independence of India and Canada will be acknowledged immediately due to their level of economic and social development

8. Urges :

- a. Austria to receive Istria as an access to the sea
- b. Austria to receive the north-eastern part of Italy in order to have access to the sea
- c. The Ottoman Empire to keep Turkey
- d. The Kingdom of Croats, Serbs and Slovenes to get Hungary

9. Clears the Austrian intent to renounce the Bohemia-Moravia area, considering the majority of the German population, with the intent that it holds a closed plebiscite for its people