

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

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Geneva,

May 16th, 1927.

REDUCTION OF DEBITABLES.

Proposal by the Finnish Government for financial assistance as provided for in Article 16 of the Covenant.

Memorandum by the Secretary-General.

At its session of December 1926 the Council examined the report of the Committee of the Council and adopted the following resolution:-

"7. The Council requests the Secretary-General:

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b) Having regard to the financial assistance provided for in Article 16 of the Covenant, to ask the financial organisation of the League to consider the Finnish proposal and all other similar measures, with a view to the establishment of a common scheme of financial assistance in support of a State which is the victim of aggression".

The Council will remember that at its last session it took note of the report of the Financial Committee on this question, and expressed the hope that the Committee's further work would enable it to evolve a scheme calculated to achieve the desired object.

The part of the Financial Committee's report referred to is as follows:-

"The Financial Committee has discussed the problem, raised by the Finnish Memorandum and referred to it by the Council on December 8th, 1926, of the settlement of a common scheme of financial assistance in support of a State which is the victim of aggression.

"The Committee has had the advantage of hearing MM. Erich, Holsti and Ryti who have explained the ideas underlying their proposal.

"In view of the great importance of the question, and the character of the technical considerations which it raises, the Committee thinks it desirable to devote further time to its study before expressing its opinion as to the financial scheme which would be best calculated to achieve the desired object. The Committee hopes to be in a position to send in its Report at its next meeting in June".
