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Council and the Members
of the League.

C.552.M.356.1936.V.

INTERNATIONAL REPRESSION OF TERRORISM.

DRAFT CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION AND PUNISHMENT OF
TERRORISM.

DRAFT CONVENTION FOR THE CREATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL
CRIMINAL COURT.

OBSERVATIONS OF GOVERNMENTS.

Since the publication of document A.24(a).1936.V. on
September 21st, 1936, the following observations have been
received:

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November 27th, 1936.

(Translation)

My Government is in agreement with the principles of the
Draft Convention for the Creation of an International Criminal
Court; on the other hand, it regrets that the Draft Convention
for the Prevention and Punishment of Terrorism does not embody
the suggestions submitted by the Chinese Government in reply to
your letter C.L.219.1934.V. of December 27th, 1934.

In my letter of April 26th, 1935,* I conveyed to you two
suggestions which my Government would have wished the Committee
of Experts to adopt, namely:

(1) That, in countries where extra-territoriality is in
force, foreigners entitled to the régime of consular courts should
forfeit the benefit of this régime and become amenable to local
jurisdiction whenever they are accused of any of the acts con-
stituting terrorist action for political ends;

(2) That, in the case of countries in whose territory are
situated "concessions, settlements or leased territories", every
facility should be afforded to the authorities of such countries
with a view to the repression, in the above-mentioned territories,
which are removed from their administration, of crimes committed
for purposes of political terrorism.

As I informed you in that letter, my Government attaches
particular importance to the embodiment in the Convention of
these two provisions, which would greatly facilitate the prose-
cution of accused persons who are in China.

I should be glad if you would be good enough to communicate
my present letter to the Committee of Experts, whose members,
knowing how greatly the prevention and punishment of crime is
complicated by the existence of the system of extra-territoriality
and of "concessions, settlements, and leased territories", will
certainly be able to appreciate the utility of my Government's
suggestions. My Government will, moreover, explain its views
in detail when the draft convention in question is discussed.

* Doc. C.184.M.102.1935.V.