LEAGUE OF NATIONS

(Communicated to the Council, the Members of the League and the States invited to the Disarmament Conference).

ARMAMENTS TRUCE.

Note by the Secretary-General.

The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit to the Governments invited to the Disarmament Conference the following communications which he has received in reply to his Circular Letter No. 257 dated October 2nd, 1931, concerning the Armaments Truce.

Communications from the Governments of Venezuela the Hedjaz.
COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA.

Caracas, October 29th, 1931.

In reply to your communication C.L.257,1931.IX., which I have received together with the annexes mentioned therein, I have the honour to inform you that my Government does not intend and sees no need, for the moment, to increase its means of defence and is prepared accordingly to accept the "armaments truce" referred to in the aforesaid communication.

(signed) P. ITRIAGO CHACO
COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE HEDJAZ

Telegram

Mecca, November 23rd, 1931.

In reply to the invitation contained in your note of October 2nd on the subject of Armaments Truce for a period of one year from November 1931, His Majesty's Government is happy to declare its accession to the proposed truce in accordance with the terms of League Council's decision and subject to conditions defined in the report of Third Committee of Twelfth Assembly of which I quote the following passage: "Certain delegations made a point of stating explicitly that they do not regard as incompatible with the principle thus laid down which must remain predominant such measures as the normal carrying out of legal enactments relating to effectives, the regular execution of programmes for the upkeep and renewal of land naval and air material or fortifications and the constitution of the corresponding stocks."

(signed) FAISAL, Minister of Foreign Affairs.