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3B	<i>Annex 2</i>	Ditto (5th session on 20 August).
4	3.9.1921 To Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : instructions to call upon Jaspar to obtain text of the latter's proposed formula for shipping on the river Scheldt; suggestion for consultation between Struycken and Bourquin in Geneva; refusal to cooperate in revision of commercial treaty only; enclosure of Annex 1.
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5	5.9.1921 Minutes Trade Treaties Committee	Inaugural meeting of Committee (see Part II, No. 420): Nederbragt's exposition of objectives and work (study of trade policy trends elsewhere, weighing the interests of the Netherlands against those of other countries, recognition of companies and admittance of commercial travellers, principles underlying the conclusion and renewal of trade agreements and method of drawing up instructions in specific cases); discussion of trade relations with <i>Spain</i> .
6	6.9.1921 From Van Dijk	<i>Belgium</i> : pilot service on river Scheldt; piloting by Dutchmen to and from Antwerp quay (see Part II, No. 193-A); interpretation of the terms (1) „beneden (below) Antwerpen" (Art. IX, Para. 2 Treaty of 1839) and (2) „jusque devant l'entrée du port" (alongside the quay or before the entrance to the docks) drafted for the new treaty; Netherlands authority to arrange pilotage ex S.1859/93 (amounting to the use of State pilots everywhere except in Rotterdam) and ban on foreign pilots in any Dutch port; special arrangement for Terneuzen.
7	8.9.1921 To De Graaff	<i>Radio link Germany-Japan via Nauen-Funabashi (Java-Japan) (request from Telefunken)</i> : Dutch co-operation in the case of British approval and compatibility with Treaty of Versailles, on condition that the Netherlands be given access to the Java-Japan link for official telegrams.
8	8.9.1921 From Oliphant to Michiels van Verduynen (London)	<i>Turkey</i> : (navigation dues: Commission des Detroits): comments on the steps taken by the Scandinavian countries and the Netherlands referred to in Part II, Nos. 211, 293 and 330. The problem of the Straits required an approach different from that followed for the Scheldt, the Sound and the Elbe.
9	8.9.1921 From Hubrechts (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference</i> : talk with Hughes; his account of his discussion with Britain, France, China, Italy and Japan on the invitation from Belgium and the Netherlands.
10	9.9.1921 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : No. 4B read to Jaspar; discussion with him on the transport of arms and ammunition on the Scheldt, through Limburg and across the Wielingen; declination to sign

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10A	<i>Annex</i>	Quotation from an article by Terlinden („Le traité de Versailles et le livre de Tardieu”) in <i>Revue Générale</i> of 15 August.
11	10.9.1921 From Schrikker	<i>Spain</i> : note on the provisional (protectionist) import duties in that country (two columns); temporary Netherlands-Spanish arrangement of 16/24 June; Spanish plans for the introduction of a definitive protectionist tariff; Netherlands balance of trade with Spain; import and export figures.
12	13.9.1921 From Hubrechts (Washington)	<i>Yap cables and Japanese mandate over Yap</i> : Hughes on premature reports on this matter in the American press; Sidehara on the progress of the negotiations and on the discussions yet to be conducted with the Netherlands regarding cable allocations.
13	13.9.1921 From Kon. Mij Exploitatatie Petroleum (Royal Dutch) sources in Netherlands East Indies	<i>Djambi affair</i> : incorrect statements by Senator Lodge about control of that company passing into British hands; protest against this by Andrews, the group's legal adviser in the U.S., should be brought to the attention of the U.S. government through the Envoy in Washington.
13A	30.9.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Draft and text sent to the State Department.
14	19.9.1921 To Struycken	<i>Pilot service on the Scheldt</i> : enclosure of No. 6 with indication of some confusion of terms in the documents (non-existence of the terms „reede” and „haven”).
15	21.9.1921 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : possible appearance of Fort-homme at Foreign Affairs; press on visit of Queen Wilhelmina referred to in No. 10; Envoy's limited confidence in Jaspas-Forthomme administration in view of the latter's annexionist tendencies (Cf. No. 10).
16	24.9.1921 From van Karnebeek (Geneva) to Snouck Hurgronje	<i>Austria (relief credits)</i> : conversion of credit granted to Austria after the armistice into relief credit up to F. 12,710,000.
17	24.9.1921 From Melvill Carnbee (Madrid)	<i>Spain: (trade)</i> (Cf. No. 11); Gonzales Hontoria's views on measures to be taken; postponement of negotiations until early 1922 to allow for preparation by a committee in that country; rejection

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18A	23.9.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Observations on the political and economic significance of aid; impossibility of organising it without involving the Bolsheviki; unlikelihood of a change for the better in Russia by European standards, despite failure of world revolution and changing views of those in power in Russia; need to strive for a compromise that would also be acceptable to the Russians; little chance of success with purely private attempts at reconstruction; guarantees required for effective implementation of the Nansen plan (international credit of £30 to £40 million) in view of possibility of „private” looting, theft and corruption.
19	26.9.1921 From Gevers (Berlin)	<i>Taking over of premises of German embassy guard in Peking</i> under Art. 130 of the Treaty of Versailles to prevent the Chinese from taking possession; preparation of German-Netherlands exchange of notes, Peking 18 and 20 February 1922.
20	26.9.1921 From Snouck Hurgronje to Van Karnebeek (Geneva)	<i>Austria (relief credits)</i> : reply to No. 16; need for Cabinet to agree with Van Karnebeek's changed views and likely reservations on the part of the Min. of Finance.
20A	<i>Annex</i>	Report from Snouck-Hurgronje containing figures on money already advanced for the purchase of food and as relief; viewpoints of other countries regarding chances of Ter Meulen plan in the League of Nations.
21	26.9.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Geneva) to Snouck Hurgronje	<i>Ditto</i> : inquiry about replies received to Part I No. 423. Elucidation of No. 16 in connection with annex.
21A	25.9.1921 <i>Annex</i> From Nixon (Geneva)	Communication from financial-economic section of League of Nations concerning conversion of monies advanced into relief credit.
22	27.9.1921 From Snouck Hurgronje to Cohen Stuart	<i>Russia (aid)</i> : reply to No. 18. No reference to Third International's propaganda lacuna in Cohen Stuart's notes; guarantees to be given in this respect.
23	28.9.1921 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : Van de Vijvere's objections to Jaspar-Van Karnebeek discussions (Cf. No. 4A); criticism in Belgian R.C. circles of Jaspar (Carton

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24	28.9.1921 Minutes of Council of Ministers	<i>League of Nations</i> : rejection of Van Karnebeek's suggestion that the Netherlands be moved from the fourth to the second class for the annual contribution.
25	29.9.1921 From Snouck Hurgronje to Van Karnebeek (Geneva)	<i>Russia (aid)</i> : announcement of invitation for the Netherlands to attend the conference in Brussels on 6 October; Loudon recommended as Netherlands delegate, with secondment of Cohen Stuart as expert.
26	30.9.1921 From Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican City)	<i>Vatican: diplomatic service</i> : unfortunate behaviour of Internuncio Vicentini in the Netherlands (addressed H.M. the Queen while presenting his credentials); his efforts („priority procedure”) to become doyen of the diplomatic corps.
27	30.9.1921 From Beelaerts van Blokland	<i>Turkey: navigation dues: Commission des Détroits</i> : at Sweden's request memorandum on Netherlands intentions regarding further steps following the démarche of 1 May (Part II, Nos. 293, 322, 324 and 350).
28	30.9.1921 From Econ. Affairs Dept.	<i>Yap cables</i> : analytical summary of the situation regarding the DNTG and its position under the Treaty of Versailles; caution to be exercised in regard to participation in international telegraph conferences in view of commitments ensuing from the Convention of St. Petersburg and the telegraph regulations lately revised in Lisbon.
28A	<i>Annex 1</i>	Answer to questionnaire compiled by „Commission des Réparations” (subsidies to company, its liquidation and settlement of affairs).
28B	<i>Annex 2</i>	Standpoint to be adopted at Washington conference by Netherlands delegation.
29	30.9.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Geneva) to Snouck Hurgronje	<i>Russia (aid)</i> : answer to No. 25; would the Netherlands be <i>formally</i> represented in Brussels? Agreement with nomination of Loudon and promise of further decision regarding Cohen Stuart; need for caution at conference.
30	30.9.1921 From Nolens (I.L.O.) to De Gasparri	<i>I.L.O.</i> : Plea for participation of Vatican.
31	1.10.1921 To Van Karnebeek (Geneva)	<i>Russia (aid)</i> : meeting in Brussels; delegation of Loudon „ad audiendum”; non-secondment of Cohen Stuart (Cf. Nos. 25 and 29) on the grounds

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		of his at least temporary support of the USSR, as shown in No. 18A. <i>Serbia</i> : restoration of diplomatic relations with Belgrade.
32	2.10.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Geneva) to Beelaerts van Blokland	<i>Vatican</i> : dissatisfaction regarding Mgr. Vicentini (Cf. No. 26): contact with Pope only on diplomatic grounds and not in his capacity of Head of Church.
33	3.10.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Geneva)	<i>League of Nations (Albania Commission)</i> : request for designation of Netherlands member.
34	4.10.1921 To Van Karnebeek (Geneva)	<i>Ditto</i> : Ruys de Beerenbrouck's approval of proposal contained in No. 33; choice between Wittert, Pop and Helfrich.
35	5.10.1921 From Van Karnebeek	<i>Ditto</i> : address delivered by him as Chairman at the closing session of the Second Assembly on 5 October.
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37	6.10.1921 From Beelaerts van Blokland	<i>Turkey (Commission des Détroits; navigation dues)</i> : notes on No. 27; no determination of future attitude before all replies had been received.
38	6.10.1921 From Oudendijk (Peking)	<i>Yap cables and Washington Conference</i> : retention of Netherlands rights; statement to this effect in response to a report from the Chung Mei news agency in the Chinese press.
39	7.10.1921 To Van Karnebeek	<i>Washington Conference</i> : notes on a conversation between Beelaerts and Pustoshkin on the importance of the matter to Russia; request by the latter that in Far Eastern questions of interest to Russia only the pre-revolution status be considered.
40	7.10.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Yap cables and Washington Conference</i> : plz to operating the Yap-Guam and Yap-Japan cables in order to promote traffic between Japan and US (provisional arrangement); request for further instructions regarding the Netherlands' share in these cables based on the 1904 agreement with Germany.
41	7.10.1921 To Melvill v. Carnbee (Madrid)	<i>Spain (trade)</i> : influence to be brought to bear in the committee referred to in No. 17 by Dutch exporters in collaboration with interested parties in Spain; assignment of Engelbrecht to Madrid as temporary commercial attaché charged with furnishing, on request, information to Spanish committee; consultation between Van Karnebeek-

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42	8.10.1921 From Oudendijk (Peking)	Van IJsselsteyn concerning Note to be presented; somewhat misleading Spanish representation of Dutch views on traffic regulations. <i>Washington Conference (China)</i> : composition of Chinese delegation; their intention of making use of American-Japanese differences to strengthen their own international position (largely at the expense of foreign powers); likely Chinese demands for return of Chinese territory, national status of Chinese abroad, abolition of concessions and international Boxer indemnity and introduction of an autonomous Chinese tariff.
43	8.10.1921 From Central Industrial Federation to Van IJsselsteyn	<i>The Netherlands (trade policy)</i> : Objections to the levying of export duties as favoured by the Netherlands East Indies authorities.
44	8.10.1921 From De Kat Angelino	<i>Washington Conference</i> : Chinese questions divided into ten categories, viz: Territorial inviolability of China and retrocession of territory. Open door. Notification to China of all treaties and agreements relating to her that had been concluded between the powers. Chinese resistance — directed against Japan — to secret agreements. Chinese political, jurisdictional and administrative freedom of action. Terms to be set for all Chinese obligations of unlimited duration (the customs tariff being the main issue). Interpretation of special rights and privileges accorded the (Chinese) grantor (relating, inter alia, to concessions, settlements and liking levy). Neutrality and recognition of „China's lordship of the soil", including that of ceded territories. The Netherlands and the above questions.
45	11.10.1921 Minutes of Council of Ministers	<i>Ditto</i> : participation only in so far as relations in the Far East were concerned; designation of Van Karnebeek, Van Limburg Stirum, Beelaerts van Blokland and Van der Houven van Oordt as members of Netherlands delegation.
46	13.10.1921 To HM de Queen	<i>Ditto</i> : request for authorisation to accept the non-solicited invitation to attend.
47	17.10.1921 To HM de Queen	<i>Ditto</i> : request for authorisation to designate the delegates mentioned in No. 45, with the addition of Moresco, and omission of Van Limburg Stirum and Van der Houven van Oordt. Doude van Troostwijk, ambassador on call (Chef du Cabinet to the Min. of Foreign Affairs 1914-1919), to

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48	17.10.1921 From De Beaufort (Washington)	deputize at the Ministry for Beelaerts van Blokland (Head of Political Affairs). <i>Mexico (petroleum legislation)</i> : extension of Netherlands-Mexican economic relations through regular line services by Holland-America Line and Koninklijke Hollandse Lloyd; emigration of Dutch farmers; institution of joint commission to assess losses sustained by Dutch nationals in Mexico; mutual diplomatic representation; honours for Mexican officials on the occasion of Mexico's centenary celebrations.
49	18.10.1921 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : party relations in Belgium; Forthomme as candidate for Foreign Affairs (cf. Nos. 15 and 23) for the Liberals; incompatibility of his views with those of the Netherlands; anti-Dutch tendencies of Devèze.
50	21.10.1921 Minutes of Council of Ministers	<i>Purchase of Netherlands Embassy buildings</i> : supplementary estimate (Fl. 300,000) for the deficit in the funds made available by the Netherlands Overseas Trust for establishments in Athens, Berne, Brussels, Paris and Washington.
51	22.10.1921 To Sir Eric Drummond (Geneva)	<i>League of Nations matters</i> , notably its relations with the Permanent Court and the Carnegie Foundation; unsatisfactory nature of the League's decision regarding Upper Silesia (its repercussions on the political and economic situation in Germany).
52	25.10.1921 To Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : likelihood of deterioration in relations with the Vatican if attention were drawn to the position of the Pope as the Head of Christianity; recall of Mgr. Vicentini to be recommended owing to his lack of circumspection and political insight (Cf. Nos. 26 and 32).
52A	<i>Annex</i>	Address by Vicentini on presenting his credentials on 19 September.
53	2.11.1921 From Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh (Stockholm)	<i>Russia (aid)</i> : treatment of Nansen on his last visit to Moscow „as overripe fruit in a fruit shop”; other „frank” statements about him; special number of Swedish communist journal <i>Politiken</i> on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the Russian revolution.
54	4.11.1921 To De Graaff	<i>Settlement of American coloured people in Surinam</i> : objections to Governor Van Heemstra's proposals for promoting emigration; inflow of „large masses of negroes who would retain their American citizenship” would constitute potential cause of friction with the United States.

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54A	20.8.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Paper on the subject of emigration promotion by Van Heemstra for W.S. Burghardt du Bois, leader of the Association for the Advancement of Coloured People set up in New York, („where the majority of Surinam's inhabitants are descendants of the negroes, there is no objection to extending this part of the population”).
54B	17.6.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Letter from Van Steyn Parvé, Consul-General in New York, to Beaufort concerning the activities of the association; non-revolutionary conceptions of the American negroes; talks with Burghardt du Bois about the realisation of Van Heemstra's plan; United States as a reservoir of elements welcome in Surinam; publicity in the Association's journal <i>The Crisis</i> .
55	7.11.1921 From Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : discussions with Secretary of State Gasparri on the contents of No. 52; Vatican had rebuked Mgr. Vicentini; the suggestion that he be recalled not favoured there.
56	14.11.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Ditto</i> : appreciation of his handling of the Vicentini affair (Cf. No. 55); preference in the Netherlands for „promoting Vicentini out of the way”.
57	14.11.1921 Minutes of Trade Treaties Committee	<i>The Netherlands (trade policy for various countries)</i> : <i>Spain</i> : (Cf. No. 41); <i>Czechoslovakia</i> (most-favoured nation clause and Czech reservations concerning tariff facilities for Austria and Hungary and Czech quotas to be fixed by special agreement); <i>Italy</i> (protection of domestic electric light bulb industry and preference for solution of difficulties as and when they arise); <i>Finland</i> (request for most-favoured nation treatment by the Netherlands with, perforce, acceptance of the exclusion of the major reductions granted under agreement to France in the surcharge on duties on imports into Finland); <i>Romania</i> (importance of a new trade agreement with that country on expiry of the old one next April; special position of Austria in that country); <i>Bulgaria</i> (doubling of import duties upon termination of all its trade agreements; question of the applicability of the most-favoured nation clause to special agreements under which that country granted special reciprocity; no Bulgarian protectionism because there was no domestic industry; Netherlands preference for most-favoured nation treatment with shorter term of notice).
58	15.11.1921	<i>Washington Conference (Yap cables)</i> : Nether-

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	From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	lands banking institutions and liquidation of DNTG; Le Roy pessimistic about satisfying creditors; his preference for stringent government control in the establishment of a new body; withdrawal of credits to the amount of some Fl. 700,000.
59	16.11.1921 From Engelbrecht (Madrid) to Nederbragt	<i>Spain (commerce)</i> : report on his experiences in Madrid; talk with Palacios (need for high import duties in Spain connected with the war in Morocco, but no inclination to start a tariff war) and discussion with Lopez Lago on the „futility of negotiations so long as the new Spanish tariff has not yet been fixed”; costly campaign by Philips in Spanish press against proposed high duties there; intransigence of Spanish government expected by Engelbrecht.
60	17.11.1921 From Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : De Gasparri informed of the heated discussions at Lower House committee meetings on the difficulty of retaining Mgr. Vicentini in his present post.
61	18.11.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference</i> : talk with Briand about expected French opposition to attempts by British Admiralty to prohibit the submarine; China's capacity for reform and consolidation as basic factor in problem of the Pacific; limitation of large battleships inspired by their costliness and doubtful value in the light of modern means of attack; relevant discussion with Balfour and information given by Van Karnebeek on the Netherlands fleet plan (based on the importance of the Netherlands colonial possessions as a link in the British Calcutta-Melbourne line; point 10 of the Chinese proposals at the conference (Cf. No. 44) in connection with the League of Nations and „ententes régionales”).
62	20.11.1921 From De Romrée de Vichenet	<i>Belgium (dredging operations West Scheldt)</i> : reply to Part II, No. 441; objections to existing restrictions on work at night; reduction of the hazard to navigation by improvement of river lighting; Belgian desiderata.
63	21.11.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : visit by Internuntio to inform him of his transfer to Constantinople; Dutch desire that he move not be delayed.
64	21.11.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Oudendijk (Peking)	<i>Washington Conference (Yap cables)</i> : Japanese claims to the Nafa cable as a link with the Liusiu Islands at variance with Chinese undertakings given to the Northern Extension Company; requi-

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65	21.11.1921 From Ruys de Beeren- brouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	site co-operation of China and the Netherlands in allocation of the overland link from Shanghai to Wusung, and of China alone in allocation of the submarine cable from Wusung to the limit of Chinese territorial waters. <i>Ditto</i> : further reference to the Nafa-Shanghai cable; Chinese protests and upholding of all her rights by the Netherlands.
65A	21.10.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Note from Leroy concerning Japanese attempts to anticipate decision on DNTG cables; cession of Yap-Shanghai cable to Japan in exchange for other link for reconstituted DNTG, either via Manila or via Guam, outside Japanese control.
66	21.11.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Ditto (naval disarmament)</i> : objections from viewpoint of commensurate freedom of weaker powers to counter British attempts (as in 1907) to ban the submarine; information on French and Italian attitude gained in conversations with Briand and Schanzer (British plans doomed to failure); reference by Van Karnebeek to his explanations to Balfour (Cf. No. 51); the latter's cautious behaviour, Van Karnebeek's opinion in retrospect that the Netherlands delegation should have been larger.
67	21.11.1921 Minutes of the Council of Ministers	<i>Trade statistics (international)</i> : authorisation for the introduction of a relevant Bill in Parliament.
68	22.11.1921 Minutes of Council of Ministers	<i>Washington Conference (naval disarmament)</i> : luncheon with Root at Metropolitan Club; his assessment of the chances „to slow Japan down” during China's attempts „to work out its own salvation” (Japan hampered by economic difficulties); US objections to ceding Japan territories north of the Amur.
68A	22.11.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Letter from Van Karnebeek to Ruys de Beerenbrouck with reference to the contents of No. 66; account of his discussion with Lee concerning the submarine question (British opposition to this weapon rooted in its threat to merchant shipping, in view of Britain's dependence thereon for supplies from overseas); Britain would not tolerate the conquest of Netherlands colonies by a third power and Lee's appreciation of the Netherlands' wish – if only for reasons of national dignity – to meet unaided, as far as possible, the demands imposed by its striving for self-preservation and the maintenance of international

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69	23.11.1921 From Ruys de Beeren- brouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	obligations; his recognition of the need not to allow Japan to force its way to the south as a result of wrong policies towards China and Siberia; less reassuring views on this matter in the United States. <i>Ditto (Yap cables)</i> : confidential information received from De Graaff concerning LeRoy's success in negotiations with Denmark, Britain and the United States regarding reconstruction of the DNTG as a new company; consequent need for more certainty in regard to the cable allocations; risk of bankruptcy of DNTG (Cf. No. 58) and objections to allowing LeRoy to proceed to Washington in those circumstances; information furnished by him by telegraph should suffice.
70	23.11.1921 From LeRoy to Six, member of Council of State	<i>Ditto (Yap cables)</i> : policy to be pursued by the Netherlands; no arrangements with Japan (relating, inter alia, to the radio link via Nauen); objections to Allied „projet de convention et de règlement”, which implied recognition of the supremacy of a particular group of powers. Backgrounds to anti-monopolism of America: US control by reducing importance of Danish and British cable companies in China; Netherlands cooperation with those companies; agreement with the Chinese standpoint regarding the sovereign right to grant landing rights within territorial waters; desirability of Netherlands delegates in Washington confining themselves to the main lines and remaining non-committal in the implementation; placing the Menado-Yap cable at the disposal of the Netherlands government.
71	23.11.1921 From Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : further to No. 63 (transfer of Internuncio to Constantinople), suggesting that the transfer be published in the <i>Osservatore Romano</i> ; objections to this at that time on De Gasparri's part.
72	23.11.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference</i> : little driving force in Hughes' leadership; Schanzer on friction in Committee of Five concerning land armaments.
73	24.11.1921 From Economic Affairs Dept.	<i>Spain (trade)</i> : memorandum concerning the very high Spanish duties: need for reduction, if not return to former level, so as to avoid growing resistance in Netherlands business circles to continuation of existing benevolent trade policy on the part of this country; Dutch plans for raising excise duty on wine.
74	24.11.1921	<i>Washington Conference</i> : further discussion with

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	Van Karnebeek's diary	Schanzer regarding land armaments (Cf. No. 72) and Franco-Italian clash on this issue; regulation of war practices by the five big powers outside their competence; Schanzer's fear of a disarmaments conference.
75	25.11.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Netherlands delegation, Washington (Van Karnebeek)	<i>Ditto (Yap cables)</i> : Netherlands-Chinese agreement on landing rights on Menado (sovereign rights not unilaterally available to third parties); Chinese obligation to grant the Netherlands rights for a link via China and Siberia, to be requested on the establishment of the Menado-Manilla link.
76	26.11.1921 Minutes of Economic Policy Committee	<i>Netherlands foreign trade policy</i> : discussion of measures to overcome the economic difficulties facing trade and industry; need for and nature of temporary import restrictions to counter abnormal foreign exchange rates (prices of imports too low and prices of Netherlands exports too high); fall in shipbuilding orders; unemployment among men normally working outside the national frontiers; domestic consequences of foreign exchange, competition and wage level problems.
76A	<i>Annex</i>	General survey of state of Netherlands industry: difficulties arising from foreign competition in imports and exports; causes thereof (difference between coal prices at home and abroad, wage differentials and comparison between the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany, differences in working hours, differences in raw materials prices (dumping by foreign countries), differences in freight rates, harbour dues and taxation, low foreign exchange rates, increased import duties or other impediments abroad, specified by commodity); „other circumstances”.
77	26.11.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference</i> : low prestige of Chinese delegation; Harding's statement at a White House press conference concerning the possible extension of the conference to other nations (including Germany) and the establishment of an Association of States instead of the League, in compliance with the wishes of the Republican Party; efforts to shift the lead in international politics back to America; support for Harding so as to get him through the expected difficulties and thereby closer to the League?
78	27.11.1921 From delegation in Washington (Van Karnebeek) to Foreign	<i>Ditto (America and the League of Nations)</i> : discussion of the problem of international organisation; America's efforts to reattain the dominant position lost by the conflict between Wilson and

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	Ministry	the Senate; belief that this could bring the U.S. into the League; importance of this to the Netherlands in connection with the Permanent Court.
79	29.11.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Ditto</i> : final decision on Far Eastern question through U.S. disarmament plan (not imposing America's will on Japan, and Japanese freedom of action vis-à-vis China, without risk of conflict); discussion with Fletcher on Djambi affair (American hope that this had not left any ill-feeling in the Netherlands and the writer's expression of the hope that the position of Phillips had not sustained too much damage); information passed on from Reppington to Van Karnebeek at press party about exchange of views with Harding and Hughes on the convening of a major conference in The Hague (entry of United States to League of Nations, and rehabilitation of Germany?); China at that day's committee meeting on withdrawal of foreign troops and foreign police; moodiness, as usual, of Viviani.
80	1.12.1921 From Van Panhuys (Berne)	<i>Serbia: diplomatic relations</i> following upon settlement of Rapaport question (Cf. No. 1); discussion with Yovanovitch, Serbian ambassador in Berne, regarding restoration of diplomatic relations by exchange of declarations to the effect that both parties agreed to surmount certain difficulties; threat of failure would attend Dutch demand for some satisfaction; resumption of relations without a Serbian legation in The Hague, whilst maintaining Netherlands legation in Belgrado pro forma?
81	1.12.1921 From Van Asbeck (Warsaw)	<i>Clothing credit, Poland</i> : discussion of the proposal contained in No. 81-A further details about the discussion with Michalski and Kowalski and about the meaning of the Polish proposal; suggestion by Van Asbeck that the proposed settlement of Fl. 3,560,000 be accepted in principle, pending negotiations for a further concession, and that the balance of the debt of Fl. 14,240,000 be included in the relief credit.
81A	1.12.1921 <i>Annex</i> From Skirmunt (Warsaw) to Van Asbeck	<i>Clothing credit, Poland</i> : discussion between Polish Envoy in The Hague, Wierusz-Kowalski, Van Asbeck and Michalski on Polish proposals relating to this matter, and analysis of the agreement concluded in The Hague on 16 June 1919; request that debt be reduced by one-fifth, or Fl. 3,560,000, of which Fl. 2,000,000 would be repaid in instalments (guaranteed by priority

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		rights to the mortgage taken out against the Polish salt mines.
82	2.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (China)</i> : time not ripe for autonomous tariff (cable from Oudendijk, Peking); raising tariff to 5 per cent (Chinese Foreign Minister), 12½ per cent, without abolition of likin (Washington legation) or 7½ per cent and a further 5 per cent after complete abolition of likin ad valorem (Oudendijk).
83	2.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Nispentot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : discussion with Vicentini regarding his forthcoming transfer (Cf. No. 71) featured in Dutch press through <i>De Tijd</i> (newspaper); appreciation of co-operation Cardinal State Secretary; standards to be set for new Internuncio (viz. avoidance of conduct such as that mentioned in Nos. 26 and 32).
84	3.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference</i> : no Dutch agreement to tariff increase in China before payment of debts (treasury bonds and debentures of Chinese loans in Dutch hands); no reply to communications from the Netherlands to China regarding the DNTG.
85	3.12.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Ditto (Yap cables)</i> : American proposal to Japan to allocate the Yap-Menado cable to the Netherlands.
86	3.12.1921 Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Ditto</i> : further to No. 85; toning down of statement by American Secretary of State.
87	5.12.1921 Departmental Memorandum	<i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : Art. 6 of convention compared with the rights of nations laid down in earlier agreements; amendments to the Mining Act deemed necessary by the Netherlands.
88	6.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (Chinese customs tariff)</i> : arrival of further cable from Oudendijk (received after that referred to in No. 82) regarding recognition of Chinese sovereignty and settlement of Chinese debts; his statement to Chinese government that the desire for indemnity from Germany did not entitle China to seize property of friendly neutrals; China's bad faith to be discussed with USA (interested party through its participation in loan for Hankow-Canton railway).
89	6.12.1921 From Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference</i> : discussion with Schanzer on a broader-based agreement in replacement of the British-Japanese alliance of 1902; position of Italy and the Netherlands in regard to an agree-

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		ment between Pacific states; institution of a special committee for the question of troops; utterances by Harding about an association of powers with a view to a specific mode of co-operation.
90	8.12.1921 To Ridder van Rappard (Copenhagen)	<i>Spitsbergen Convention</i> : text of amendments to Norwegian Mining Act proposed by the Netherlands.
91	9.12.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck and Oudendijk (Peking)	<i>Washington Conference (China)</i> : reply to Nos. 82, 84 and 88, rights of Dutch holders of Chinese securities, American government's view that non-recognition thereof would contribute little to restoration of shaken Chinese credit; for the rest, American debenture holding in Hu Kuang railway loan of minor importance.
92	9.12.1921 From Van Nispen tot Sevenar (Vatican)	<i>Belgian question</i> : information given him by a Belgian prelate to the effect that Flemings and many Roman Catholic Wallons wished to loosen their ties with France in order to conclude an economic Union – later, possibly, a military alliance – with the Netherlands. Observations by the Envoy concerning the difficulties entailed in the conclusion of economic agreements, and the lack of enthusiasm in the Netherlands for military commitments.
93	9.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference (Pacific)</i> : Incorporation in the quadruple alliance replacing the British-Japanese treaty of 1902 (Cf. No. 89) of the various resolutions to be adopted by the Nine powers. Pressure on Hughes to insert in the General Arrangement for the Pacific a formal recognition of the territorial status quo and to announce this in the statements he was expected to make at the first plenary session, „otherwise the impression might possibly at first prevail that Holland is to be the only power with insular possessions in the Far East whose territorial rights will find no explicit recognition at the Washington Conference"; co-operation in this promised by Hughes, and his views on the new Entente in replacement of the British-Japanese treaty; Van Karnebeek's intention not to show irritation at the fact that the Netherlands had been excluded up to that point.
94	9.12.1921 Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Hughes	<i>Ditto</i> (Cf. No. 93): written expression of appreciation of undertaking given by Hughes.
95	10.12.1921 Van Karnebeek	<i>Ditto</i> (General Agreement for the Pacific): talk between Van Karnebeek and Hughes on the scope

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	(Washington) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	of the agreement and the ultimate admittance of France to this „instrument de paix”; adequate guarantees for the Netherlands provided by general agreement of all the powers concerned „juxtaposée à quadruple Entente”. Netherlands reluctance to join the Entente rooted in fear of becoming involved in others’ conflicts and of the concomitant possibility of their interfering in Netherlands affairs.
96	10.12.1921 From Michiels van Verduynen (Prague)	<i>Central Europe</i> : report on conference of Austrian succession states in Porte Rosa and Rome: exchange rates, obstacles to free trade and imperfections in the tariff policies of the nations concerned.
97	12.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference</i> : comparison of the General Agreement (Pacific Affairs) with earlier Mediterranean and North Sea declarations.
98	12.12.1921 Van Karnebeek’s diary	<i>Ditto</i> (General Agreement and Quadruple Entente): Netherlands distrust of Japan proceeding from the guaranteeing of the insular possessions of America, Britain, France and Japan only could lead to an increase in armaments in this country; Netherlands objections to the role of „hanger-on” and to the aggression clause in the Quadruple Entente; desire to seek a solution in a general settlement between the Nine States providing mutual guarantees of territorial rights; Shantung and Manchuria problem areas.
99	13.12.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Washington)	<i>Ditto</i> : French proposal that wireless stations in China be run in cooperation under Chinese control; recommendations on three principles.
100	14.12.1921 From LeRoy to Nederbragt	<i>Ditto</i> : Chinese opposition to „pénétration pacifique” in their country by the French Compagnie Générale de Télégraphie sans Fil; contract concluded by that company with Telefunken, Marconi and Radio Corp. of New York; Telefunken’s monopoly position in Argentina through construction of a large radio station; no recognition of faits accomplis before meeting of World Congress on Radio Telegraphy based on the London Convention. Incompatibility of French plans with the agreement between the Chinese Telegraph Association, Eastern Extension and the Great Northern Telegraph Company; writer’s wish to remain uncommitted and to propose giving sympathetic consideration to China’s plans for the improvement of international radio traffic.

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101	14.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference</i> (Yap cables and general agreement): consultation with Root on possibility of settlement before the writer's return to the Netherlands; early convocation of ex-allied powers by Root for the purpose of allocating Menado-Yap cable to the Netherlands and deferment of negotiations on operating rights; agreement between Root and Hughes on general Far East treaty on the basis of Dutch desiderata.
102	14.12.1921 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> (general agreement and Quadruple Entente): calls paid on Shidehara and Hanihara; advisability of avoiding disturbing restoration of confidence between Japan and the Netherlands (Cf. No. 98); displeasure and apprehension in the Netherlands East Indies to be expected in the event of the Netherlands remaining outside the security statute of the Quadruple Entente (despite Art. 10 of that agreement); was Shidehara seeking grounds for withholding his cooperation? Should China also participate? Difficulties in finding a form for an arrangement.
103	14.12.1921 From Melvill van Carnbee (Madrid)	<i>Spain (trade policy)</i> : advice, after discussion with Spanish Minister of State, that the Netherlands agree to replacement of „Tarif du 21 Mai” by the not yet definitively fixed „Tarif Espagnol”, in view of the provisional nature of the latter and Spain's willingness to enter into negotiations regarding the proposals formulated by Engelbrecht; in the event of non-acceptance of this proposal, early cancellation of the existing arrangements by Spain could be expected.
104	16.12.1921 From Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Washington Conference</i> (naval arms limitation): rejection by the other four powers of the French tonnage figures (designed to double the pre-war fleet); significance of dominance of any one power or combination of powers in the Mediterranean for the Netherlands' lines of communication with the East Indies.
105	17.12.1921 From Ruys de Beeren- brouck to Van Karnebeek (Washington)	<i>Ditto</i> (Yap cables): reply to No. 99 in accordance with the recommendations contained in No. 100.
106	17.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Ditto</i> (Yap cables): further to No. 101, discussion with Hughes on a provision to be included in the agreement with Japan whereby that country would guarantee the same rights as those by the U.S., supplementing the allocation agreement with one between Japan, the Netherlands and the

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107	17.12.1921 From Van Lamping (Antwerp) to Huyssen Van Kattendijke (Brussels)	U.S. on the use and operation of the cables; Hughes anticipated no difficulties; limitation of arms (submarines question); Britain's intention to make an issue of their abolition (Cf. No. 68A); no recognition of settlement of this matter by the Big Five alone; rules of warfare not to be regarded as a prerogative of those powers; conference at Balfour's with Borden on League of Nations; Hughes' irritation with attitude of the French (De Bon's statements in the commission). <i>Belgium (Dutch and Belgian pilots on the Scheldt)</i> : „Haven” (port) as complex of maritime facilities (Cf. No. 6); „dok” (dock) as enclosed area of water, serving as berth for ships, and „reede” (roads) as mooring in stream, etc.
108	17.12.1921 From Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	<i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : answer to No. 83 and discussion on the subject with Cardinal State Secretary; his view was that the Vicentini affair was grossly exaggerated.
109	18.12.1921 From Washington Delegation (Van Karne- beek) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Washington Conference (limitation of arms/submarine question)</i> : discussion with Hughes on total abolition of this weapon as demanded by Britain (Cf. No. 106); request for standpoint of Netherlands government towards such capitulation of the small powers; possible need for the Netherlands to issue a statement on the matter, even though it was not a participant in the naval discussions; meetings expected to continue after 4 January to allow for discussion of demands made by France.
110	19.12.1921 Van Ruys de Beeren- brouck to Ridder Van Rappard (Copenhagen)	<i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : instructions to give sympathetic consideration to Norwegian objections to Netherlands amendments; non-imposition of the system of concession application on those with acquired rights; Netherlands proposals with explanatory note to be forwarded to other nations only after evident lack of Norwegian responsiveness; observations on preliminary report of Lower House on Spitsbergen question; French concurrence with Norwegian mining regulations; Swedes inclined to take Norwegians' views into account; comments on a communication from the Netherlands government (number of daily services and exploration centres, non-application of claims system for sites occupied there); Norwegian Mining Regulations and Art. 128 of Netherlands East Indies Mining Order.
111	19.12.1921	<i>Central Europe</i> : progress of conference of Aus-

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112	From Van Weede (Vienna) 19.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	trian succession states in Ponte Rosa (Cf. No. 96).  <i>Washington Conference (naval question)</i> : meeting between Beelaerts and Sarraut; French sensitivity and tendency to assertiveness; lack of tact on Hughes' part (belated involvement of the French – as a favour – in the Entente on replacement of the British-Japanese alliance of 1902); reports by U.S. journalists on French agitation (inter alia at their demands being rejected by Lord Riddell at a press conference, stagnation of the conference and the shifting of its centre of gravity to London); talks between Briand and Lloyd George; anti-British mood in the U.S.; chance of Quadruple Entente stranding in the U.S. senate; suspicion aroused by the Netherlands not being party to these agreements; writer's views on this; dangers attaching to a conference of this kind.
112A	19.12.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Notes on the question put by an unknown person to Hughes as to why the Netherlands had not been included in the Quadruple Entente, and the latter's expectation that the conference would end with a general agreement in which the Netherlands would also be involved.
113	20.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Ridder Van Rappard (Christiania)	<i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : further to No. 110, elaboration of the principles to be left to the Norwegian government after main lines had been laid down jointly by powers concerned (e.g. in the manner of Art. 8 of the convention).
114	20.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference (naval question, submarines)</i> : discussion with Hughes on position of States interested but not participating in the naval conference relative to the expected British proposal for abolition of this weapon; agreement reached at conference on restricting consultation to the five principal allies (Cf. No. 106); outlawing of the submarine to be viewed against the background of „droit de visite”, the law of booty and principle of contraband with a voice for all states concerned; allusions to possible statement to be issued by the Netherlands (Cf. No. 109); standpoints of Italy, France and, presumably, Japan in this matter different from Britain's; Van Karnebeek's urging of Hughes to act as guardian of the legal rights of all; discussion with Sarraut on ship ratio of 1:7; Hughes again questioned about non-inclusion of the Netherlands in the

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		Quadruple Entente (Cf. Nos. 95, 98, 102, 112 and 112A); treatment as „quantité négligeable”, and state secretary’s explanations of what had taken place in regard to replacement of the British-Japanese treaty of 1902; the Netherlands, as a non-aggressive power, was of insufficient importance to Japan for inclusion in the convention; territorial restriction of the latter to the islands.
115	20.12.1921 Ditto	<i>Ditto (submarine question)</i> : question asked at press conference about Netherlands standpoint, and statement to the effect that, as in the matter of battleships, any limitations the powers might wish to impose upon themselves as regards the ratio of submarines would be welcomed, subject to reservations in regard to the raising of the question of the use of the submarine as a legitimate weapon.
116	20.12.1921 From Michiels van Verduynen (Prague)	<i>Czechoslovakia (trade)</i> : report on the visit of the Polish minister Skirmunt to Prague, and that of the Austrian Federal Chancellor; consultation between Schober and Masaryk (demolition of the „Chinese Wall” between the Central European States); rapprochement between Poland and Austria — born of economic necessity — as first milestone on the right road.
117	21.12.1921 From Ridder Van Rappard (Christiania)	<i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : Norwegian opposition to amendments proposed by the Netherlands.
118	21.12.1921 From Federation of Committees for Aid to People in Distress in Russia	<i>Aid for Russia</i> : goods to the value of about Fls. 180,000 presented by the Netherlands government shipped to Riga and their distribution via Nansen; need to supplement them with other goods (such as fats); urging of further government aid as being in the national interest with a view to the reconstruction of Russia as a factor in future world trade and the reopening of Russia as a market for the Netherlands (inter alia, as a means of ending the crisis in trade and industry and of reducing unemployment in the Netherlands); reference to the aid rendered by Germany, Britain, France, the U.S. and Switzerland.
119	22.12.1921 From Ruys de Beeren- brouck to Washington Delegation	<i>Washington Conference (limitation of arms, submarine question)</i> : further to No. 110: banning of submarines not permissible as this would deprive the small nations of a defensive weapon they could afford; objection to public declaration, however, in view of domestic policy.
120	22.12.1921	<i>Ditto (maintenance of territorial status quo in</i>

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120A	From Delegation to Washington Conference (Van Karnebeek) to Henihara <i>Annex</i>	<i>the Pacific</i> ): presentation of annex.
121	22.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Ridder van Rappard (Christiania)	Draft convention as mentioned above (Resolution of the United States of America, the British Empire, China, France, Japan, the Netherlands and Portugal to maintain and preserve intact their sovereign rights to their territories in these regions). <i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : exploration centres; social and labour legislation; envoy to confine himself to verbal consultation with Norwegian government; claims of N.V. Netherlands Spitsbergen Company to Green Harbour, Colen Bay, and another area of far greater (22,000 sq km) extent.
122	24.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Van IJsselsteyn	<i>Ditto</i> : on the analogy of No. 121, intention of N.V. Netherlands Spitsbergen Company to take over Ise Fjord Kul Company (territory the size of the Netherlands); objections to non-enforcement of Norwegian Mining Act in such large areas; possibility of forfeiture of rights through non-exploitation (limits to applicability of provisions of Mining Act to rights acquired) and possible extension of Art. 35 of the draft mining regulations; difficulty in finding a formulation guaranteeing Netherlands interested parties that they would not have to operate under too onerous conditions; Norwegian regret at not having consulted the Netherlands beforehand on the Mining Bill; British approval of the Bill.
122*	25.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference (submarines)</i> : Hughes' compromise (impressed by Balfour's vigorous action) on the basis of 60,000 tons; acceptance implied proportionally small margin for the Netherlands; exercise of power on „our side of the Pacific" left to Japan by the United States; mutual honouring of agreements by the four powers in respect of each other's island territories without accepting obligations towards the Netherlands, whilst curtailing Dutch means of defence (submarine); this provided proof of danger of conferences convened by a small number of dominant powers (Cf. No. 114); Britain's viewpoint that her interests coincided with those of others; congruence — up to a point — of British and Netherlands interests, but less cer-

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123	25.12.1921 From Ridder van Rappard (Copenhagen)	tainty of British help in the East than in the North Sea. <i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : further to 110 (question in Lower House); completion of memorandum to be handed to Norwegian government (Art. 33 and chapter 6); conviction that Norway would persist in its attitude towards the principle embodied in para. 35.
124	25.12.1921 To De Graaff	<i>Hadramut</i> : reply to Vol. II, No. 383: no earlier opportunity to make the statement referred to there on the political nature of Sajjids and Sheiks; the matter to be left in abeyance for the present.
124A	25.12.1921 <i>Annex</i>	Note for Snouck Hurgronje („Colonies should know that we have done nothing"); observation — with reference to Part II No. 177 — on Department's somewhat unfortunate handling of the matter thus far.
125	26.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference: general discussion on state of affairs</i> : dragging on of talks on naval arms meant deferment of discussion of Far Eastern question until after New Year; Hughes' concurrent chairmanship of both parts of the conference was a mistake (delays through overburdening of a man who also had responsibilities as Secretary of State); probable ending of submarine question in deadlock; for the rest, Britain would emerge from the conference fairly advantageously; Japan ditto, thanks to America's abdication as a military power in the Western Pacific; reflections on what the different nations had striven after and achieved, with short sketches of Balfour and Schanzer; self-righteousness of United States and resistance put up by France to American dictatorship.
126	27.12.1921 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : discussion (in company of Beelaerts) with Root on status quo declaration before departure for the Netherlands; difficulties arising from relations between Japan and China; China's exclusion from status quo declaration and substitution of statement of policy concerning China („our declaration and amplification thereof"); little objection on Root's part to China's refusal to undertake any obligation to respect other countries' territory (little real importance to be attached to China's Washington delegation); need for a clause providing for consultation in the event of a threat to territorial rights (arrangement acceptable alongside four-power pact); his

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126A	27.12.1921 <i>Annex</i>	objections to identical arrangement which would confer upon the subsequent statement the nature of an addendum devised as an afterthought „as a result of which its prestige would suffer”; draft text of a declaration emanating from the discussion (annex). Draft status quo declaration formulated by Van Karnebeek and Root during discussion on 27 December 1921.
127	27.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Ridder van Rappard (Christiania)	<i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : approval of No. 123; presentation of amplified memorandum to Norway with a view to it being discussed <i>à deux</i> prior to presentation to other participants in Spitsbergen convention.
128	28.12.1921 From Ridder van Rappard (Christiania) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Ditto</i> : reply to No. 127; unfortunate omission of a passage concerning the mining regulations which the Envoy had already used during the consultations.
129	29.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference (general considerations and status quo declaration)</i> : further talk with Root on future moves and division of tasks between the two of them (discussions between Root and the French, and between Van Karnebeek and Balfour and the Japanese); Root deplored the deepening of the Franco-British controversy and France refused to abandon a military programme obviously directed against Britain; his criticism of Hughes („has talked too much with the British, too little with the French"); discussion about Root's proposals of 28 December for regulating the use of submarines (Cf. Nos. 114-115); Van Karnebeek's view that law in the previous fifty years had been characterised by participation of all sovereign states on basis of equality of status, and Root's accession clause was thus incompatible with participation in the democratic deliberations which had gained acceptance in the community of states and offered more scope than the mere acceptance of regulations; Van Karnebeek's opposition to the attempts of the Big Powers to form together a higher power in the international order (fear of the emergence of a super state; Nos. 106 and 114); Root's defence, based on the League's rejection of a recommendation by the Judicial Committee of the Court of Justice regarding the advisability of further conferences for the revision and extension of international law; his per-

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130	29.12.1921 From Ruys de Beerenbrouck to Ridder van Rappard (Christiania)	sistence in the view that the accession clause in his resolutions of 28 December took into account the interests of other nations. <i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : reply to No. 128, with authorisation to use first part of No. 121; three reasons why emphasis should not be placed on the wide scope of Netherlands interests beyond the claims to Green Harbour and Colenburg: (1) formally, there was a Norwegian company (shares held by N.V. Netherlands Spitsbergen Company), (2) the claims were disputed and in danger of not being recognised, and (3) investigation of the claims made on behalf of the Netherlands government had proved impossible.
131	30.12.1921 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Washington Conference (status quo declaration)</i> : entries concerning farewell audience with Harding prior to the writer's departure for the Netherlands; call on Balfour to present text of new status quo declaration drawn up jointly with Root; discussion with Balfour of Root's comments (No. 129) on the League's rejection of the recommendations of the Judicial Committee, and Van Karnebeek's arguments against his interpretation (need to protect the League, which in 1920 felt itself too close to the war and was aware of the drawbacks of its non-universality); Balfour's suggestion that the letter to be written by Van Karnebeek to Root presented a suitable opportunity to protest against the tendency of the major powers „to reduce the smaller ones to the status of adherents”.
132	30.12.1921 From Ridder van Rappard (Christiania) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : report on the implementation of No. 127; Norwegian promise to study the memorandum before presenting it to other powers, and Norwegian soundings as to whether the Netherlands would be prepared to send an expert to discuss technical details.
133	30.12.1921 From Ridder van Rappard (Christiania) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Ditto</i> : further to No. 132: on reflection, proposal to drop the first part of No. 121 as well (Cf. No. 130); recommendations of line of thought set out in No. 113.
134	31.12.1921 From Kikkert	<i>Rhine navigation (lateral canal)</i> : report on the question of the construction of such a canal through the Alsace; previous history of the matter (canalisation and flow control in the system of a lateral canal) and submission to the Central Commission for Rhine Navigation by France during the sessions of 5-17 December 1921, in

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135	1.1.1922 From Van Karnebeek (Washington) to Root	<p>accordance with Art. 30 of the Mannheim Treaty and the variously interpreted Art. 358 of the Treaty of Versailles; summary of Franco-Swiss divergencies in the sessions; Carlin-Jolles controversy deriving from Dutch failure to give strong support to the opposition to the French draft; the Netherlands against internationalisation of canal administration, or in any case preponderant influence of the Central Commission; mediating role of the Netherlands in seeking a solution to these difficulties and acceptance of a Dutch formula slightly modified by France; renewed attack by Italy on the maximum flow rate (and resultant reduced speed) and continued Swiss opposition to the entire project; wavering by the majority and deferment of final decision inter alia by France in an attempt to avoid probable defeat on a point closely related to the Treaty of Versailles; the guiding principle of the Netherlands delegation was that it was preferably to defer the final decision rather than risk being outvoted; analysis of the attitudes of the various delegations and their individual members.</p> <p><i>Washington Conference (status quo declaration Far East, limitation of arms with special reference to submarines):</i> letter to Root in the spirit of No. 129.</p>
136	2.1.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<p><i>Ditto (status quo declaration Far East):</i> discussion Van Karnebeek-Hughes; contents of No. 129 unacceptable to the latter because China and Russia were „passed by” (U.S. opposition to Japan in Siberia) and recognition of annexation of Korea by Japan was implied; Netherlands fear of expansion of Japan in the direction of the East Indian archipelago (loss of American influence there through non-fortification of the Phillipines); Netherlands inability (outside the Statute) to contribute to the proposed arms limitation; presentation of Annex by Hughes and Dutch objections to its use as an Annex to a convention concluded by third parties; further proposal by Hughes (joint declaration by Britain, France, Japan and the United States) and writer's objections to such an arrangement „concerning, yet without us”; third proposal by Hughes (to include the necessary points in a four-power declaration meeting Italy's claims to be one of the five powers to which the Treaty of Versailles had</p>

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		entrusted the islands placed under mandate); disparaging remarks by Van Karnebeek about that country's striving after the position of a major power; consultation between Van Karnebeek and Beelaerts van Blokland: their rejection of the latter proposal and preference for a declaration to be presented by letter by the four major allies to the effect that the rights of the Netherlands in the Pacific would be respected.
136A	<i>Annex 1</i>	Malkin's Draft (draft of four-power treaty guaranteeing the rights of the Netherlands in the Pacific).
136B	<i>Annex 2</i>	Draft by Van Karnebeek and Beelaerts van Blokland of an American written declaration „that it is firmly resolved to respect the rights of the Netherlands in relation to their insular possessions in the region of the Pacific Ocean” to be adopted in identical terms by the other allies concerned.
137	3.1.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Ditto (status quo declaration Far East):</i> Hughes' satisfaction with solution in accordance with No. 136-B; binding agreement between the four powers on simultaneous presentation of letters by their Envoys in The Hague.
138	3.1.1922 To H.M. the Queen	<i>Venezuela:</i> Non-admittance of Venezuelan revolutionaries to Curaçao (black list of 32 persons); instructions for the Envoy at Caracas concerning enforcement of Art. 1 of the Curaçao Order of 29 April 1905 (President Gomes' wishes should be met wherever possible without losing sight of the possibility of a change of government and taking account of the importance to Willemstad of undisturbed tourist traffic).
138A	3.1.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Cancelled, somewhat deviant draft (the matter to be left undecided and unreasonable demands of the Venezuelan government to be vigorously opposed).
138B	3.1.1922 <i>Annex 2</i>	Communication to Envoy at Caracas, d'Artillac Brill, concerning instructions for Governor of Curaçao in conformity with the covering document.
138*	3.1.1922 From Beucker Andreas	<i>Applicability of the treaties concluded between the Netherlands and the former Donau Monarchy to the Republic of Austria,</i> in connection, inter alia, with the admission of consuls to the Netherlands East Indies only after drawing up new provisions for the implementation of the relevant old treaty or concluding a new treaty (Cf. Part II, Nos. 425 and 426).

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138*	13.2.1922 <i>Annex 1</i> 24.9.1921 <i>Annex 4</i>	Notes compiled by Economic Affairs Dept.
139	6.1.1922 From Van Eysinga (Rhine Navigation Comm.)	<i>Rhine navigation</i> : conflicting views on the applicability or otherwise of Art. 46 of the Mannheim Treaty (viz. resolutions adopted by majority vote in the Central Commission were binding only after approval by governments) to resolutions ex Article 358 of the Treaty of Versailles.
140	7.1.1922 From Ruys de Beeren- brouck to De Graaff and LeRoy	<i>Yap cables</i> : résumé of Japanese-American draft treaty relating to the allocation of cables (with summary of a cable just received from Van Karnebeek, Washington); Anglo-French approval of that draft; government consultation on the matter in Italy (linking this question to that of the Transatlantic cables?).
141	9.1.1922 Minutes of 3rd Meeting of Trade Policy Committee	<i>Netherlands trade policy vis-à-vis</i> Spain, Bulgaria, Romania, Italy, Finland, Hungary, Brazil, Australia and Czechoslovakia.
142	11.1.1922 From Beelaerts van Blok- land, delegate to the Washington Conference	<i>Washington Conference</i> : situation after Van Karnebeek's departure; discussion with Root on closing date of conference and status quo declaration in Far East.
142A	10.1.1922 <i>Annex</i>	Summary in English of Root-Beelaerts van Blokland discussion on 10 January.
142*	15.1.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgium (Dutch Protestant School, Brussels)</i> : Preference for its continuation as a non-legal person (not a Belgian public institution); corporate body to be established in the Netherlands as owner and lessor of the premises to the governing body in Brussels; political importance of admitting children of Flemish origin).
143	15.1.1922 From Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (status quo declaration)</i> : Netherlands delegation had no part in the New York Times article on letter from Van Karnebeek to Root (Cf. No. 135); Root's distress at leak.
144	17.1.1922 From Carobbio	<i>Genoa Conference</i> (all European states, including Bulgaria, Germany, Hungary, Austria and the Soviet Union) <i>on the economic and financial rehabilitation of Central and Eastern Europe</i> : enclosure of Annex.
144A	6.1.1922 <i>Annex</i>	Text of relevant resolution adopted by the allied powers at Cannes on 6 January.
145	17.1.1922 To Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (Eight-power Declaration)</i> : report of communication to U.S. Envoy in the Netherlands, Phillips, of disappointment in

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146	17.1.1922 From Van Nispen tot Sevenaer (Vatican)	the Netherlands at the attitude of Hughes in this matter, notwithstanding assurances previously given by him. <i>Vatican (diplomatic service)</i> : account of talks with Under-Secretary of State Mgr. Borgoncini about need for early appointment of new Internuncio; Borgoncini's reversion to <i>préséance</i> question, with reference to the rules laid down at the Congress of Vienna.
147	18.1.1922 From Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (Far East, China)</i> : course of events; resolutions relating to Chinese customs tariffs; money squandered in China on maintenance of excessively large military establishment, largely under the command of more or less independent generals; resolution concerning foreign troops and police on Chinese territory; American proposal for further elaboration of the open-door principle; report requested from sub-committee on Chinese Oriental Railway; limitation of arms (difficulties in demarcation of territory within which no new fortifications will be permitted).
148	20.1.1922 To Ridder van Rappard (Stockholm), Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh (Chris- tiania) and Van Panhuys (Berne)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : notification of No. 144; request to ascertain whether the invitation had been received as sympathetically in Berne as in The Hague.
149	21.1.1922 From Van Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (limitation of arms)</i> : editorial committee concerned with the questions (1) whether the existing provisions were adequate in the light of the development of weapons since 1907, and (2) what new provisions would be needed if (1) was answered in the negative; likely technical procedure for sub-committee's report.
150	21.1.1922 From Van Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Ditto</i> : money squandered on troops in China (Cf. No. 147); item 7 of American agenda (status of commitments); full information on these contracts; 21 demands in Manchuria; Sarrant's opposition to elaboration of Art. 4 resolution on open-door principle; cooperation between American and British delegations on all fronts.
151	21.1.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question and moratorium on German reparations</i> : discussion with Jaspas on the moratorium and the <i>Genoa Conference</i> ; his inclination to „faire du tapage” (maintenance of Belgian priority claim in its entirety); further talk with him about the Genoa Conference (acceptance by

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		Soviet Union with tacit nescience of preliminary conditions) and Anglo-French and Anglo-Belgian agreements for Belgium; clause on „agression non provoquée d'Allemagne” in the former agreement only?
		„Gentillesse” of Belgian Prime Minister towards the Netherlands apparent from his government declaration; Belgium studying Van Karnebeek's Wielingen proposal.
152	22.1.1922 From Van Ketwich Verschuur (Tangier)	<i>Tangier Statute</i> : Netherlands participation in naval review in the roads of Tangier on the occasion of the French President's visit; prominent position of Netherlands flag in port of Tangier and expected offer of a directorship in the Société Internationale pour le développement de Tanger (construction and management of port); participation in naval review dependent on international importance of French visit from viewpoint of most interested powers, viz. Britain and Spain; non-availability of a Dutch warship.
153	21.1.1922 From Carobbio	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : (French) announcement of the seven agenda items and their sub-division.
154	27.1.1922 From Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference</i> (sundries): reduced entertainment <i>expenses</i> in view of criticism voiced in the Netherlands; police troops in <i>China</i> ; taxation and railways there; <i>Siberia</i> subject of discussion between Japan and U.S.A.; Anglo-American collaboration at conference with support from France; favourable reception of Netherlands draft of identical Notes for Tokyo and Washington ( <i>Status Quo Declaration</i> ).
155	31.1.1922 To Carobbio	<i>Genoa Conference (agenda items)</i> : reply to No. 144, comments on „nature aussi variée que complexe des très nombreuses questions”; acceptance of invitation and request for further information with a view to the most desirable composition of the Netherlands delegation.
156	1.2.1922 From Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (identical Notes on Status Quo Declaration)</i> : discussion with Hughes about their presentation before close of conference; talks with Balfour and Sidehara and agreement of both; an analogous declaration for the Portuguese government; writer's view that „insular possessions” could only partly relate to Portugal's East Asian possessions.
157	2.2.1922 From De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Belgian question</i> : discussion with Curzon regarding matter of Anglo-Belgian guarantee treaty first raised by France at Cannes (Briand); also „attaque

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157*	2.2.1922 From Putman Cramer	non-provoqué" restricted to Germany — „we have no intention of guaranteeing Belgium against an attack by you" (= the Netherlands). Note on Netherlands naval plan („The Dutch Navy in European waters must necessarily confine itself to a purely defensive attitude; in the Netherlands East Indies the Royal Navy finds itself confronted with a task of far wider scope").
158	4.2.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : objections to draft text of an interview on the subject of Belgian-Dutch relations to be published at the request of the Belgian government in a daily paper widely read in the Netherlands; request to the correspondent of that paper to refrain from publication.
158A	<i>Annex</i>	Text of the interview referred to in No. 158.
159	4.2.1922 From Beelaerts van Blokland (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference</i> : drafting of Far East treaties by sub-committee of heads of delegations; no success in his efforts to effect amendments to the wording; a few spontaneous concessions made by Japan in respect of her 21 demands of 1915.
160	5.2.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : report on previous day's meeting; signing of treaties at final session on 6 February made possible by Hughes' obvious desire to please Balfour, who wished to depart. Need for Netherlands delegates to remain in Washington until the 18th for finalisation.
161	5.2.1922 From Tatsuke	<i>Ditto</i> : enclosure of statement identical to that issued by Britain, France and the U.S.: Japan „declares that it is firmly resolved to respect the rights of the Netherlands in relation to their insular possessions in the region of the Pacific Ocean".
161-A		Declaration.
162	6.2.1922 To H.M. the Queen	<i>Ditto</i> : notification of the presentation of the four identical Notes referred to in No. 161-161A. Background was the fact that the four-power treaty in which they declared that they would respect one another's insular possessions had created a political situation in the Pacific which was disadvantageous to the Netherlands (four-power treaty intended to do away with the Anglo-Japanese alliance deplored by America and the British Dominions, while the Four did not anticipate aggressive intentions on the part of the Netherlands and the Netherlands possessions were deemed to lie outside the ring of islands which could prompt international conflicts); solution sought which would not entail the draw-

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		back of participation in a four-power pact; no commitments which might involve the Netherlands in the difficulties of other states. The Netherlands preferred four separate declarations to a collective one since anything suggesting patronage by other states or any decrease in the full sovereignty of the Netherlands as an Asiatic power was to be avoided. Similar declaration in respect of Portugal.
163	7.2.1922 From Quarles van Ufford (Middelburg)	<i>Belgian question</i> : damming up of Zandkreek; installation of ad hoc committee; Eendracht not to be regarded as an island waterway between Scheldt and Rhine.
163A	7.2.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Carsten's objections to damming up plan.
163B	9.3.1922 <i>Annex 2</i>	J. Beucker Andreae's concurrence with No. 163-A.
164	9.2.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Ditto</i> : Jaspar's suggestion of meeting Van Karnebeek during Genoa Conference; doubts as to the utility of such a meeting because of the differences of opinion on the Wielingen problem.
165	13.2.1922 Minutes of Council of Ministers	<i>Russia</i> : no aid to be granted in view of the state of the Dutch finances.
166	15.2.1922 From LeRoy	<i>China</i> : wireless telegraphy in that country; Netherlands abstinence in view of politically dangerous aspects of the matter.
167	15.2.1922 From Legation in Washington	<i>Washington Conference</i> : four-power pact; Senator Hitchcock's questioning of Senator Lodge as to reason for non-participation of the Netherlands; Lodge's reply (British objections because of boundary line running too close to Singapore).
168	16.2.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : information given to Barendse and Pieterse concerning the Wielingen negotiations; Jaspar's reticence based on fear of influential circles in Belgium? chef-de-cabinet Davignon's influence on Jaspar; position of Flemings in Belgium; Franco-Belgian treaty of guarantee against attack (from any quarter?); Netherlands publicity in Belgium.
169	16.2.1922 From Oudendijk (Peking)	<i>Yap cables and DNTG</i> : Chinese share of possessions of Shanghai Company and Netherlands protest voiced against this; probably advantages to China of arrangement with Netherlands interested parties.
170	16.2.1922 From Oudendijk (Peking)	<i>Yap cables</i> : enclosure of Annex with elaboration of arguments in favour of Chinese-Netherlands cooperation (Cf. no. 169), including the Japanese

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		request for rights for a cable from the island of Nafa.
170A	14.2.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Translation of a communication from Chinese Foreign Secretary Yen to Oudendijk.
170B	15.2.1922 <i>Annex 2</i>	Oudendijk's objections (for Yen) to assertions advanced by Chinese Ministry of Communications with regard to Netherlands rights and interests.
171	17.2.1922 To Diplomatic Missions (except Berne and Bucharest)	<i>Serbia (diplomatic service)</i> : explanatory note relating to course of events in the Rapaportquestion (Cf. Part II, Nos. 192, 195 and 197, and 1 and 80 above); satisfaction demanded by the Netherlands for Serban lack of regard; striving of government in Belgrade to restore relations before visit of King to Bucharest in connection with his marriage; willingness in Belgrade to take the initiative; ending of suspension of relations by exchange of notes expressing mutual desire for resumption.
172	18.2.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : cuttings from „Nation Belge” and „Handelsblad van Antwerpen” concerning Gerretson's speech in the Lower House („grist to the mill of the opponents of the Netherlands”) on 9 February.
173	18.2.1922 From De Graaff	<i>Djambi affair</i> : enclosure of two annexes relating to Amerian capital in the developement of oil fields in the Netherlands East Indies; avoidance of commitments for a new Colonial Minister.
173A	10.12.1921 <i>Annex 1</i> From Aschke to De Graaff	Request from Vice-President of Standard Oil to De Graaff; reference to No. 317, Part II, (forwarded too late) expressing confidence that „there no doubt would be found important petroleum fields suited for contracts similar to that whith the BPM” and the view that American oil discoveries should entitle the companies to share in the subsequent exploitation.
173B	24.1.1922 <i>Annex 2</i> From De Graaff to Aschke	Evasive reply to No. 173-A; no particular preference expressed as regards future forms of exploitation.
174	20.2.1922 Minutes of 4th Meeting of Trade Treaties Committee	<i>Trade policy</i> of and vis-à-vis various countries. Portugal: import duties, shipping rights and possible retaliatory measures. Germany: revision of 1851 trade treaty with German Customs Union in connection with revision of Netherlands East Indies Tariffs Act; observations of a general nature concerning the upholding of free trade and possible special measures to aid Netherlands trade and industry in the pre-

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		vailing depression; rejection of protective duties – both temporary and permanent – by the economic policy sub-committee (fear of temporary measures becoming permanent and fear of unwillingness on the part of the exchequer to forgo benefits once received).
175	20.2.1922 To Van IJsselsteyn	<i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i> : failure to adopt a standpoint (for the sake of private interests) was not consistent with loyal recognition of Norwegian sovereignty.
176	22.2.1922 From Van Asbeck (Warsaw)	<i>Poland (clothing credit)</i> : method of repayment of Fls. 17,800,000 (Cf. No. 81); instalments and interest rate; further – deviating – Polish proposal for procedure with Polish treasury notes.
176A	18.2.1922 <i>Annex</i>	Specification from Van Asbeck for Skirmunt.
177	25.2.1922 To Brussels, London, Paris, Rome and Tokyo	<i>Aviation Conference, Paris</i> : Non-accession to international convention of 13 October 1919 in connection with Articles 5 and 34 (derogation and loss of freedom to make own decisions concerning admission of foreign aircraft over Netherlands territory together with unacceptable division of votes in international committee); Van Karnebeek's question as to standpoint and views of neutral states.
177A	25.2.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Note from Economic Affairs Dept. regarding standpoint of former neutral states.
177B	25.2.1922 <i>Annex 2</i>	Communication from State Commission on Aviation (J.B. Kan) about the technical part of the convention (annexes); acceptance of the provisions contained therein in general partly in so far as practicable with the organisation and resources existing in the Netherlands; several other proposed technical amendments.
178	27.2.1922 From Economic Affairs Dept., Assistance Council	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : notes on basis and schedule; aims to be pursued, based on results of Cannes Conference.
179	27.2.1922 From Gevers (Berlin)	<i>Ditto</i> : discussion with Rathenau on deferment; latter's contention that the conference could not and would not become a gathering where definitive decisions would be worked out or adopted for improving the economic situation, but merely „eine Konferenz der allseitige Erkenntnis"; need for thorough preparation (difficult to achieve in time) did not lessen the urgent need to bring the various governments together for an exchange of

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180	27.2.1922 From Sweerts de Landas Wyborch (Stockholm)	views; risk that deferment would mean cancellation; definitive (official) fixing of the opening date for 10 April. <i>Ditto</i> : neutral states of Europe and recognition of 1919 peace treaties; Swedish opposition even to indirect recognition; common interest of ex-neutrals in this matter; question whether the time had not come for them to unite (possibly openly, in the form of a discussion on the reintroduction of the gold standard); Sweden's preference for an entente between the Netherlands, Switzerland and Sweden.
181	28.2.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question and Genoa Conference</i> : discussion with Jaspar on Genoa, the Franco-British and Belgian-British military agreements and possible consultation between Jaspar and Van Karnebeek in Genoa; limited success of meeting in Lucerne (Cf. No. 4A); Netherlands hydraulic engineering works in Zandkreek.
182	1.3.1922	<i>Telegraph policy, the Netherlands</i> : report to Executive of Postal and Telegraph Services on confidential discussion (countering foreign „imperialism”, non-establishment of offices of foreign companies in the Netherlands); fear of American infiltration.
183	1.3.1922 From Hooft	<i>Relief Credits Central Europe</i> (Austrian succession states): proposal that R.J.H. Patijn be appointed trustee; few objections to appointment of a Dutchman as such, and advantages that could ensue.
184	1.3.1922 From Van Rappard (Christiania)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> and (non-)recognition of peace treaties by ex-neutrals (Cf. No. 180): Norwegian opposition to recognition because of possible undermining of the authority of the League, and non-acceptance of Branting's standpoint (possible acceptance of the economic agreements only by Norway).
185	3.3.1922 From De Ligne	<i>Belgian question (waterways between Rhine and Scheldt)</i> : reservations about installation of an hoc committee for damming off the Zandkreek (Cf. No. 163 and 181); contention that Zandkreek should be regarded as a waterway between the Rhine and Scheldt.
186	4.3.1922 From Nederbragt	<i>Czechoslovakia</i> (trade treaty): no objection to imports; most favoured nation clause; greater Netherlands import quotas and/or lower tariffs.
187	6.3.1922 To Van Panhuys	<i>Genoa Conference</i> and (non-)recognition of peace treaties (prior consultation of ex-neutrals – Cf.

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	(Berne)	No. 180 and 184). Discussion with Swiss Envoy Carlin and Motta's instructions for him; objections to action by a neutral bloc (time the war groups were abolished); room for Denmark and Norway in discussion of gold standard? reticence to be exercised in the talks; need for subsequent discussions in The Hague (nearer to London); wish not to become involved in Genoa in the probably sharply conflicting views.
187A	2.3.1922 <i>Annex</i> From Motta to Carlin	Instructions from Motta for Carlin (to sound Netherlands government on common interests at conference).
188	9.3.1922 From Van Panhuys	<i>Ditto</i> : Swiss request to Italian government for elucidation of programme in regard to reconstruction of Europe; consulting Spain; Dinichert's objections to the creation of yet a third group besides the „large” and the „small” Entente, and to the treaties of 1919 which on so many points had a far-reaching influence on the economic life of Europe.
189	9.3.1922 From De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Rhine navigation</i> : further to No. 139; consultation with British Rhine Navigation delegate, Baldwin; his objections to Van Eysinga's impractical academic standpoint, which made it possible for non-reparian states to block measures of no importance to them.
190	9.3.1922 From De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : agenda; criticism in London of composition of <i>Permanent Court</i> ; <i>Belgian question</i> : Wielingen article expected to appear in <i>Revue des deux Mondes</i> ; no need for Van Eysinga to go to London for the <i>Rhine navigation controversy</i> in view of Baldwin's attitude (Cf. No. 189).
191	10.3.1922 From Walree de Bordes (Geneva) to Nederbragt	<i>Relief Credits (Austria)</i> : Anglo-French request to League of Nation's finance committee to appoint a financial adviser; objections in Austria and London to a „snooper” („they will not be bothered in their actions by a League of Nations man, but will want to appoint their own control”); view of Walree that „a strong and well-organised social-democratic party and a large Roman Catholic Party with specialistic tendencies cannot be submitted to a purely capitalistic control”; suspension for twenty years of the Dutch lien on the Austrian state assets in order that the League of Nations scheme for the reconstruction of Austria might be put into practice.

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192	11.3.1922 From Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh (Stockholm)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : further to Nos. 180, 181 and 187; acceptance by Switzerland of Swedish invitation for preliminary consultation with Scandinavian countries; Swiss recommendation that Spain also be included; expectation expressed in a Swedish paper that this might induce the Netherlands to take part.
193	12.3.1922 From Ridder van Rappard (Christiania)	<i>Ditto</i> (Cf. No. 192): discussion with Raestadt about No. 187-A and his concurrence with the observations made by Van Karnebeek in No. 187; likelihood of matter being taken up by Norwegian Prime Minister Bleher with Branting in Stockholm; virtual exclusion of Denmark and Norway from decision regarding a return to the gold standard as pretext for a meeting in The Hague (Cf. No. 187).
194	12.3.1922 To De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Rhine navigation</i> : reply to No. 189; opposition to the construction put on Van Eysinga's views there.
195	13.3.1922 To Tatsuke	<i>Washington Conference — Status Quo Declaration</i> : expression of thanks for sending No. 161.
196	13.3.1922 To Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh (Christiania)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> and non-recognition of peace treaties: instructions to announce participation in the Genoa meeting on 18 March in the terms of No. 187.
197	13.3.1922 To Gevers (Berlin)	<i>Ditto</i> : preparations in Germany; request for confidential perusal of German documents (Cf. No. 179).
198	13.3.1922 From Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh (Stockholm)	<i>Ditto</i> : Further to No. 197: Reservations regarding presence of Spanish representative.
199	14.3.1922 Minutes of 76th Meeting of Econ. Affairs' Dept. Assistance Council	<i>Ditto (discussions on preparation)</i> : I: reconstruction of Russia and II: credits for and monetary matters connected with Eastern Europe in general; Van Vollenhoven's contact with British circles. I: Attitude of the Netherlands regarding confiscated securities and claims on Soviet state; possible participation in international syndicate („Parent Cy"); reports on Kröller's conference with Belgian industrialists. II: International Gold Standard Convention credit questions and Ter Meulen plan. Appointment of Assistance Council sub-committees for (1) Russia, (2) economic and (3) monetary questions.
200	14.3.1922 From De Marees van	<i>Ditto</i> (preparation, international consortium): Admittance of Danish financier Glückstadt to

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	Swinderen (London)	provisional committee of experts; establishment of Central International Corporation with capital of £20,000,000 (20 per cent each for Belgium, Germany, France, Britain and Italy); invitations for Denmark, Japan, the Netherlands, Czechoslovakia and the United States to join via national corporations to be formed in each of these countries, operating under a state guarantee, with shares in the International Corporation; serious action only on the part of Germany, Britain and Italy, and opposition from British Joint Stock Banks.
200A	10.1.1922 <i>Annex</i>	Resolution of Supreme Council pertaining to the establishment of an international corporation for the reconstruction of Central and Eastern Europe, and its national branch establishments.
201	14.3.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : early resumption of negotiations; Comité de Politique Nationale on the war path again (article in „Flambeau”, 22 Feb.).
202	14.3.1922 From Michels van Verduynen (Prague) to Nederbragt	<i>Czechoslovakia (trade treaty)</i> : reply to No. 186; addition of a second clause to Articles 1 and 3; ditto to para. 1 of the protocol of the treaty and deletion of para. 4 thereof; moderation called for in requesting tariff reductions.
203	16.3.1922 To De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : complaint regarding belated notification of February conference in London on the establishment of an international consortium of the Allies, Germany and Denmark (Cf. No. 200); request for information on further developments.
204	16.3.1922 To Oudendijk (Peking)	<i>China and the Yap cables</i> : division of assets of former DNTG; protest against Chinese plans for the assets in Shanghai (Cf. No. 169) and Wusung; description of the company's assets in Wusung.
204A	<i>Annex</i>	Memorandum by LeRoy on action taken by China.
205	16.3.1922 From De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Rhine navigation</i> : reply to No. 194; British Foreign Secretary's view that „nullement résolution du commission sera valable sans ratification par le gouvernement territorial impliqué”.
206	18.3.1922 From De Marees van Swinderen	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : further to No. 200 (confidential disclosure of British „avant-projet”): details of agenda items; tendency in Britain to preserve continuity as far as possible between Tsarist and Soviet governments; reflections on governmental and private debts and confiscation of private property; Foreign Office's refusal to furnish further written information about „avant-projet”.

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207	19.3.1922 From Van Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh (Stockholm)	<i>Ditto</i> : confidential; information supplied to him by Branting (Cf. No. 180) regarding agenda items; statements by Swiss Envoy Schreiber (non-acceptance of responsibility for the war reparations arrangement which was to be considered the main reason for Europe's economic decline); reserved attitude of Sweerts to these statements; Branting's satisfaction at Netherlands' willingness to cooperate at the conference; enclosure of two annexes.
207A	18.3.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Memorandum from Branting (French text) read to Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh.
207B	<i>Annex 2</i>	Résumé (French text) of the discussions held on 18 March.
208	20.3.1922 Minutes of Council of Minister	<i>Loans for certain states in Central and Eastern Europe</i> : authorisation to introduce Bill.
209	21.3.1922 To Political and Economic Affairs Depts.	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : question regarding the adequacy or otherwise of the report from Berlin on Soviet Russia.
209A	22.3.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Negative comments on the subject from Beelaerts van Blokland.
209B	23.3.1922 <i>Annex 2</i>	<i>Ditto</i> from Nederbragt.
209C	23.3.1922 <i>Annex 3</i>	Final instructions from Van Karnebeek (request to be communicated to the legation in Berlin for political and economic information about Russia from there if possible).
210	21.3.1922 To Oudendijk (Peking)	<i>Resolution on wireless telegraphy in China (adopted in Washington)</i> : „to replace present competition between wireless stations in China by cooperation under Chinese control” with recommendations on four basic principles (English text) (Cf. Nos. 100 and 105). Netherlands desire to remain free of undertakings, with favourable consideration of Chinese proposals for improvement of communications conditions.
210A	1.2.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Resolution regarding radio stations in China and accompanying declarations (Washington Conference).
210B	7.12.1921 <i>Annex 2</i>	Declaration of the Powers other than China concerning the resolution on radio stations in that country.
210C	7.12.1921 <i>Annex 3</i>	Chinese declaration concerning resolution of 7 December regarding radio stations in China.
210D	8.7.1921 <i>Annex 4</i>	Press release from American Department of State.
210E	13.1.1922	British memorandum on wireless in China (num-

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	<i>Annex 5</i>	ber of conflicting concessions granted by the Chinese government).
211	21.3.1922 From De Graaff	<i>Yap cables</i> : acceptance by the Netherlands of Menado-Yap cable; calculation of claims arising from German-Dutch Pool (total of Frs.3,165,062.26 of which Frs.764,006.26 accruing to the Netherlands.
211A	<i>Annex</i>	Draft cable agreement.
212	21.3.1922 From Gevers (Berlin)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : reply to No. 197: preparatory activity on the part of the German government was only apparent but real activity displayed by „Korporationen und grosse Verbände”); discussion with Rathenau; his slender hope of practical results from conference and inclination to take no further part; Envoy's objections to this.
213	22.3.1922 From Everwijn (Washington)	<i>Washington Conference (Four-Power pact and status quo declaration)</i> : discussion in Senate of treaties concluded; Senators Underwood and Pittman on encroachment on interests of smaller states (including the Netherlands) through their non-inclusion in Four-Power pact; defeat of amendments proposed by Pittman, Robinson and Walsh.
214	23.3.1922 To Sweerts de Landas Wyborch (Stockholm)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : reply to No. 207; approval of „réunion ultérieure” to be held in Berne, and designation of Van Panhuys and Van de Sande Bakhuyzen as Netherlands delegates; abandonment of plan for meeting to this end in The Hague due, inter alia, to impossibility of drawing up final agenda at the time and absence of Vissering, an obstacle to discussion of the gold standard.
215	24.3.1922 To H.M. the Queen	<i>Diplomatic Service (Baltic countries)</i> : in view of the trend of trade relations, doubt as to the possibility of effective representation in five such widely separated countries simultaneously (i.e. Denmark and Norway as well); posting of Van Rappard to Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.
216	25.3.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : discussion with Carlin on meeting of ex-neutrals at Berne en route to Genoa (Cf. Nos. 207-A and 214; question of the need for stressing cooperation between ex-neutrals.
217	25.3.1922 To Van IJsselsteyn	<i>Spitsbergen</i> (mining regulations): further to No. 175: objections to Norwegian recognition of acquired rights of surface ownership only; time limits in Articles 15 and 35 too short; guarantee fund in Art. 33 and salaries; social legislation in draft chapter 6 and Netherlands wish for certain-

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218	25.3.1922 DEZ. Working Paper	<p>ty; several other technical objections; rectangular shape of concession not very practical with sharply indented coastline (preference for parallelogram); support to be given to certain proposed amendments to regulations; presentation anew to Norway of certain desiderata with notification thereof to Britain and Sweden with a view to their bringing more pressure to bear in Christiania.</p> <p><i>Genoa Conference (Russia)</i>: notes on restoration of relations and conclusion of trade agreement. Admission of Soviet representatives to the Netherlands and other countries; reinstatement of the system of law in Russia; concessions and trusts; restoration of the capitalist system; Soviet propaganda; Russia and the Genoa Conference; International Consortium and aid.</p>
219	25.3.1922 Minutes of 77th Meeting of Economic Affairs' Dept. Assistance Council	<p><i>Ditto</i>: further discussion of the preparations; I Treub report (<i>sub-committee on Russia</i>); Cf. No. 199) on the interests of holders of securities; acknowledgment of progress made by Soviet Union and value of the rouble; Van Karnebeek's report on his several discussions with Carlin (Cf. No. 216) and Ter Meulen's report on his talks in London (organisation in accordance with British plans); Lloyd George and recognition of USSR; opposition to this from Belgium and France pending proof that USSR merited trust (need for pledges); reports on British plans for (1) acknowledgment of the debts in foreign currency and gold roubles abroad, (2) acknowledgment of debts relating to public utilities, (3) determining the amounts owed by Russia to France and Britain, (4) compensation for private property, (5) right to appoint consular officials in Russia; freedom of movement for foreign nationals, and (6) accession of USSR to a number of international agreements; relevant negotiations; pros and cons of recognition; scepticism regarding the state of affairs in Russia as against the dangers entailed by further delaying the resumption of trade.</p> <p>II <i>Credits</i>: discussion of documents relating to the Central International Corporation (objectives and Articles of Incorporation); exchange risk inherent in the objectives; reduction of the share of countries with depreciating currencies in the finance of the corporation, right of co-determination of transactions as a condition governing a</p>

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220	27.3.1922 From Nederbragt to Michiels van Verduynen (Prague)	guarantee to provide capital; Japan's refusal to participate. <i>Czechoslovakia (trade treaty)</i> : comments on No. 202; import quotas and certificates of origin.
221	27.3.1922 From Netherlands Ems Estuary Committee (Van Heeckeren)	<i>Ems Estuary</i> : Protocol drawn up by the committee, regulating the frontier in the Ems and the Dollard and provisions relating to the Ems-Dollard questions (tying in with the discussions conducted in Aug. 1921 — Cf. Part II No. 439 and here above No. 3); curtailment of both parties' sovereignty by a servitude imposed not only longitudinally (i.e. relating to the part of the river between the sea and the old West Ems), but in such a way that it extended to the first point where each party had the necessary freedom of movement on its own territory; no absolute necessity for the proposed latitudinal restriction of the servitude; divergent viewpoint of Van Oordt (military objections); view that the settlement thus drawn up could not prejudice settlement of the (entirely different) Wielingen question; description of Ems Estuary region; right to Ems engineering works to be accorded only after German standpoint regarding allocation of the cost of improvement of the river had been made known; arbitration clause of Art. 29.
222	28.3.1922 From Loudon (Paris)	<i>Conflict (Greece-Turkey) Middle East</i> : report on the eight-day conference of the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain and Italy for the restoration of peace; discussions relating to Asia Minor, Dardanelles, Constantinople, the Turkish army and Turkish economy, Armenia, protection of minorities and preparation for replacement of terms of Turkish.
222A	28.3.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Advice sought by Van Karnebeek relating to (1) the necessity or otherwise for the Netherlands to secure a seat on the Supervisory Commission for the Dardanelles and (2) „to avoid lagging behind” in the event of the abolition of the terms of capitulation.
222B	4.6.1922 <i>Annex 2</i>	Notes by Schuurman (tying in with the previous discussion on the Commission des Détroits and shipping rights (Cf. Nos. 27 and 37); a new element had arisen in the form of plans to change the Treaty of Sèvres; need for Netherlands seat on any organisation set up for the purpose of

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		placing the Dardanelles, the Sea of Marmora and the Bosphorus under supervision as regards trade and shipping; figures relating, inter alia, to Netherlands interests.
222C	9.6.1922 <i>Annex 3</i>	Notes by Nederbragt: limited commercial interest in the matter so long as there was no question of differential treatment (virtually ruled out).
222D	9.6.1922 <i>Annex 4</i>	Notes by Snouck-Hurgronje: No. 222-B, based on Netherlands position as major maritime nation, carried sufficient weight for participation.
222E	9.6.1922 <i>Annex 5</i>	Van Karnebeek's concurrence with 222-B; instructions to act accordingly.
223	29.3.1922 To Van Dijk	<i>Belgium</i> : recordings by the „Hydrograph" in the mouth of the Scheldt (Wielingen) could scarcely be considered recordings in the sense of Articles 68-69 of the 1839 treaty; need for prior notification to the Belgian hydrographic service.
223A	23.3.1922 <i>Annex</i>	Relevant notes by Legal Affairs Section (with special reference to end of No. 223); caution required in notifying Belgium on account of Netherlands views regarding sovereignty over the Wielingen (call at Zeebrugge to be main subject).
224	31.3.1922 From Van Asbeck (Warsaw)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : eleventh hour USSR agreement with Baltic States and Poland; preliminary discussions not in Moscow but in Riga; abstention of Finland.
225	1.4.1922 To Gevers (Berlin)	<i>Germany</i> (Tubantia claims): agreement with appointment of experts and establishment of committee of three arbitrators should the latter not succeed within three months.
225A	23.3.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Notes by Legal Affairs Section (Beucker Andrae): possible preference for one arbitrator and Plate's preference for immediate submission of the case to arbitration; designation of experts in consultation with Royal Dutch Lloyd, with marginal note by Van Karnebeek.
225B	<i>Annex 2</i>	Supplementary notes by Beucker Andrae with post script by Nederbragt.
226	2-3.4.1922 From Professor Bruins	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : memorandum on the question of international credits in general, likely to be raised in a form different from that used in the plans elaborated in London in regard to a Central International Corporation operating with national subsidiary corporations; changed relations since the Brussels conference of September 1920 (Cf. Nos. 25 and 29); aspects of the matter in regard to Germany, Russia and Czechoslovakia; negative verdict on the wisdom of Netherlands

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227	3.4.1922 From Nederbragt	<p>participation in view of the domestic financial situation (greater resilience of the interest rate and the capital market in Britain than in the Netherlands; capital depletion owing to immense amounts in foreign securities having left the country in recent years and need for very early restoration of equilibrium through drastic curtailment of public expenditure); participation only if conference absolutely essential for alleviating the situation in Germany.</p> <p><i>Ditto</i> (notes on international consortium for the reconstruction of the USSR): further explanation of the scepticism he evinced at the departmental meeting on 25 March (Cf. No. 219) and provisional negative conclusion regarding participation because (1) through the commercial interests of the Netherlands in Russian exports of grain and timber were not inconsiderable, the parties directly concerned were not over-eager to establish relations with the Soviet Union; (2) it would be better for the present, with or without official relations to benefit indirectly from Russia's recovery; (3) Dutch nationals' property in Russia (about Fls. 165,000,000) was relatively too unimportant to allow it to carry weight; and (4) Russian securities in Dutch hands, though more substantial (about Fls. 960,000,000, were not of such importance to the Netherlands economy as to warrant the risks involved in an agreement with the USSR (lack of code of commercial ethics in that country and the threat to possible Netherlands exports to Germany, with its lower prices and more favourable location for trade); caution to be observed with complex organisations which, like the consortium under discussion, had not evolved from small and simple beginnings, but had been set up in a complicated manner; limited importance of the consortium for employment in the Netherlands in the event of participation to the amount of approx. Fls. 12,000,000, circulating slowly or not at all; advice in regard to Russia „to stand firm in all respects and deliberately to lag behind”, and to be mindful of guarantees should it prove really necessary to yield.</p>
228	3.4.1922 To Van Panhuys (Berne)	<p><i>Ditto</i>: proposed meeting of delegates after close of meeting of experts in Berne (Cf. No. 214); report on discussion with Carlin (Cf. No. 216); continuing objection to accentuated formation</p>

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229	3.4.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	of neutral bloc (construed by the Allies as a German stratagem); Netherlands delegation to remain uncommitted „without losing the confidence of the other ex-neutrals”; regular participation in the discussions only if this seemed essential. <i>Belgian question</i> : Minister of State Seegers' indignation about sentiments attributed to him by the „Standard” (Cf. No. 158); his version of the interview in question.
230	4.4.1922 Minutes of the 78th Meeting of the Economic Affairs' Dept., Assistance Council	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : international credit bank (private capital with State guarantee) and monetary question; I: reading by Patijn of further subcommittee report; discussion and summary by Van Karnebeek; cautious linking up with the group wishing to go ahead in Genoa and doubt as to the size of the Netherlands' share (Fls. 12,000,000) and the British share (Fls. 48,000,000); Trip's concurrence with a state guarantee up to a total of 50 per cent of the shares (to preserve the participating industries' interest in a sound industrial policy); further comments by Van Aalst, Fentener van Vlissingen, Treub and Waller. II: reading by Patijn of a report from Van Vollenhoven (monetary question); proposed convention merely declaration of certain principles (non-binding nature of free gold markets); abandonment of gold centres owing to French opposition; possibility that discussion of this point might lead to loan of Fls. 7 or 8 million, with the proceeds from which Germany could pay its reparations; elucidation by Prof. Bruins of his memorandum (Cf. No. 226); summary by Van Karnebeek: fullest possible cooperation in everything at Geneva that could lead to reconstruction; final communication from Van Aalst about „Germany being well on the way to reaching an understanding with Russia”.
231	4.4.1922 From De Geer	<i>Poland</i> (clothing credit) (Cf. No. 176-176-A): repayment and interest; rejection of Polish request for an alternative arrangement by means of relief credits.
232	5.4.1922 From Ridder van Rappard (Copenhagen)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : „Berlingske Tidende” on Danish attitude; anticipated grouping at conference; ex-neutrals joining hands not to be regarded as a bloc in the international political sense, but as a form of cooperation between states which by virtue of a certain similarity in

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		size, power and relations with the outside world had various interests in common, and could thus discuss the possibility of adopting a joint approach.
233	5.4.1922 From Van Rathenau to Gevers (Berlin)	<i>Germany</i> : payment of compensation for torpedoing „Tubantia” during the war; unsatisfactory offer of no more than „angemessene” damages.
233A	21.4.1922 <i>Annex 1</i>	Notes by Beucker Andreae adhering to „restitutio in integrum”.
233B	30.4.1922 <i>Annex 2</i>	Notes by Van Karnebeek in the spirit of No. 225-A: full compensation sole yardstick.
233C	30.4.1922 <i>Annex 3</i>	Notes by Struycken concurring with two previous notes, full compensation (if necessary to be fixed by arbitration) as guideline; objections to value of lost tonnage as a basis (resulting in forfeiture of compensation for loss of profit); difficult questions would arise in regard to underwriters, shippers, stevedores and passengers.
233D	30.4.1922 <i>Annex 4</i>	Notes by Snouck Hurgronje concurring with Nos. 233-A to 233-C; fixing of the extent of the compensation by experts and (ultimately) by arbitration.
234	8.4.1922 Van Karnebeek’s diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : arrival, welcoming and accommodation of Netherlands delegation.
235	9.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Discussion with Schanzer (Italy): objections to Belgium being seated with the Great Powers.
236	10.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Report on the opening of the conference.
237	11.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Composition of sub-committees of First Committee.
238	11.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Report on the proceedings in the Second Committee during the afternoon; chances of the Netherlands joining? View that Switzerland ought not to vote for herself but for the Netherlands (as the only free-trade country); discussion with Fentener van Vlissingen about his talks with Mendelssohn and German industrialists.
239	12.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Inclusion of Van Karnebeek in Fourth Committee and Ruys in Third Committee; consultation with other committee members.
240	13.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Report on luncheon with Ruys, Wirth, Hermes, Melchior and Kreuter at Rathenau’s (Germany to join League of Nations?) and dinner with Ruys as guests of Theunis and Jaspar (Wielingen question).
241	14.4.1921	<i>Ditto</i> : Election of the Netherlands by Fourth

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242	Ditto 15.4.1922 Ditto	Committee to sub-committee for the waterways. <i>Ditto</i> : Request by Banffy for support at the conference on the question of the minorities in Hungary; discussion with Facta and possible meeting with Jaspar; view that the conference lent itself to confidential discussions and expectation that something might be achieved in regard to reparations; meetings between Lloyd George and Chicherin outside the conference; lack of leadership and cohesion at the conference.
243	17.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Whom to send on mission to Lenin (question by Schanzer); Chicherin's objections to taking this task upon himself; drafting and publication of Russian-Germany treaty (Rapallo); weakening of other powers vis-à-vis Russia and „incorrect” attitude of Germany: Lloyd George „very upset”; worsening of atmosphere at conference; convening of sub-committee of First Committee after break-away of Russians and Germans? (Van Karnebeek's consultation with Swiss delegation).
244	ca. 17.4.1922 From François	<i>League of Nations (limitation of arms)</i> : reply by the Netherlands communicated on 17 May 1921 to Secretary General of League concerning the resolution adopted by the first Assembly (Cf. Part II Nos. 303 and 318-A); implementation of the first and third increase in the Naval Act reserve; „situation exceptionnelle” in which the latter increase was admissible for the Netherlands; protocol of British delegate Herschell (Paris, February) pertaining to the limitation of all armed forces in proportion to the size of the population.
245	18.4.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : discussion between Van Karnebeek and Schanzer at Villa Raggio; Netherlands memorandum pertaining to the committee of experts' proposals concerning Russia (substantial interests (cf. No. 227) of the Netherlands as Russia's creditor): Italian irritation at Treaty of Rapallo and view that Germany ought not to be given a lead on other countries by Russia; Starckenborch Stachouwer's report on Swiss-Scandinavian and Netherlands-Spanish consultation on the situation, and Van Karnebeek's moderating influence; his objections to „rather pronounced banding together of the ex-neutrals”, press communiqué by Van Karnebeek; latter's discussion with Lloyd

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246	19.4.1922 To Ruys de Beeren- Brouck	George on the occasion of the state banquet at the Palazzo Reale; L.G.'s view of the German attitude („very unloyal”) shared by Van K. in more mitigated form; conversation between Chicherin and Prince Gonsaga and others; isolated position of Wirth and Rathenau. <i>Belgian question</i> : discussion with Jaspar who had made cooperation in finding a solution to the Wielingen question contingent upon Dutch cooperation in military agreements — this was unacceptable to Van Karnebeek; further talks with Jaspar expected.
247	19.4.1922 From Van Karnebeek	<i>Ditto</i> : report on his talk with Jaspar (see No. 246) on the Wielingen question and the military clause, in the presence of Struycken, Carsten, Bourquin and Davignon; Jaspar's insistence on link between Limburg and Wielingen questions; Wielingen demarcation line proposed by Belgium (tangent to the N.E. point of the Bol van Heyst drawn from the frontier); need to arrive at a solution of the Scheldt question.
248	19.4.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : tales and wild rumours. Rathenau and Wirth's call on Lloyd George; Giolitti press supported Germany; Van Karnebeek's conviction that Russia had forced Germany to publish Treaty of Rapallo; further consultation between Van Karnebeek, Jaspar, Struycken and Carsten.
249	20.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Morning conference with Patijn, Vissering and Ter Meulen on plan for international loan of four billion gold marks, part of which would go to German Reichsbank for interest payment for two years; moratorium on Germany's reparations payments for five years? Netherlands support if this would lead to improvement in the general financial situation; German austerity and tackling industry on sound financial footing (Fentener van Vlissingen's plan as a guideline); discussion on the use of the 140 million-guilder Netherlands credit already provided; Van Karnebeek's press conference.
250	20.4.1922 From Snouck Hurgronje	<i>Ditto</i> : information from the German Envoy in The Hague regarding the Treaty of Rappallo (not considered incompatible with Art. 260 of the Treaty of Versailles and third parties' interests).
251	21.4.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Ditto</i> : conversation with Barthou about Netherlands memorandum; Netherlands views on matter close to those of French; no objections on Barthou's part to seat for the Netherlands on the

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		new small committee of experts on Russia (Struycken?) cooperation on this point from Jaspar, Motta and Branting, and Van Karnebeek's letter to Schanzer; election of Committee of Seven (five Geneva convening powers, one representative of the Small Entente and the Netherlands): Van Karnebeek's conclusion that the Netherlands' opposition to the formation of blocs had had a favourable effect on the five convening powers; speech by Patijn (20 Apr.) in Second Committee on reparation payments; economic recovery possible only if the latter question was settled satisfactorily, which in any case was a matter for the parties concerned and not for the conference; dinner with Branting; Van Karnebeek's idea that the question of Russian armaments should be raised in the new committee not as a political but as an economic issue; no credit for USSR if the Red Army should profit by it; approval on the part of Motta and Schulthess; talk with Benes about Russian question; his fierce opposition, shared by Masaryk, to recognition of USSR.
252	22.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Reception by King of Italy aboard the „Dante Alighieri”; strange reception by the King of Chicherin and Krassin; Chicherin's remark to the Archbishop of Genoa about the „wonder of freedom of religion in Russia”; Barthou deluged by telegrams from Poincaré; would the French stay in Genoa?; meeting of allied delegates following German reply to their Note; clash between Lloyd George and Barthou; discussions on international loan; British abstention pending settlement of reparations.
253	22.4.1922 From Carsten (Geneva) to Beelarts van Blokland	<i>Belgian question</i> : enclosure of No. 246, not unfavourable impression of the discussion; France and Treaty of Rapallo.
254	23.4.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : meeting of sub-committee of First Committee preceded by conference with allied delegates; Russian memorandum considered <i>non avenu</i> ; calls on Van Karnebeek by Fierlinger and don Sturzo; conciliatory attitude of Italians.
255	24.4.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Conference in smoother waters; diminishing buoyancy; French favoured recommendations rather than agreements; little enthusiasm for „syndicate” (Lloyd George's hobby horse); Russian question to be referred to a new committee yet to be appointed? Britain's predominant

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256	25.4.1922 Ditto	influence on conference and ignorance of French and other delegates; presumably no reaction forthcoming to the response of the group of nations to the German reply; would Genoa peter out? <i>Ditto</i> : Protocol of the experts on the last discussion with the Russians; Van Karnebeek's consultation with Swiss and Scandinavian delegates on the situation created by the Russians' attitude; proposal that the group meet again with inclusion of Spain.
257	25.4.1922 From Van IJsselsteyn	<i>Poland (clothing credit)</i> : appreciation of Van Asbeck's action and success in Warsaw (Cf. Nos. 176 and 231); payment of annuities (interest rate); acknowledgement of Polish government's good will.
258	26.4.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : talks with other ex-neutrals (Cf. No. 256) opened by Van Karnebeek; Branting's reflections on the legitimate rights of the Russians, who should nevertheless be addressed with some firmness; little success in the approach made by those delegations to Schanzer at the Palazzo Reale, initiated that afternoon by Van Karnebeek; Motta favoured support for accommodating attitude of the Italians; Van Karnebeek for coming to grips with Soviets; Schanzer felt there would probably be no credits for the Bolsheviks. Dinner given by ex-neutrals at Miramare Hotel; Van Karnebeek's views on Facta and Barthou, still no definitive draft non-aggression pact (Lloyd George's show piece); Van Karnebeek's fear that this might further reduce Germany's already slight inclination to join the League of Nations; Evans' evasive statements on Germany's accession; negative nature of the non-aggression pact unimportant beside Art. 10 of Covenant and inadequacy of the four-million gold mark loan to Germany; plans for ten-year truce and consortium for Russia. Van Karnebeek's views to the effect that on those points where too much had been conceded to the Russians efforts should be made to achieve what was still possible, providing the position of those who wished to settle in Russia was regulated; Jaspar's suspicion that British delegation will be too conciliatory towards the Russians in an effort to please Lloyd George; Van Karnebeek's attempt to arrange a <i>further discussion with the Belgians</i> concerning revision of

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259	27.4.1922 Ditto	<p>the 1839 Treaty.</p> <p><i>Ditto</i>: Luncheon of Netherlands delegation members with Delacroix, Lepreux, Avenol and other delegation members; Delacroix's views on Jaspar and Theunis' wish to settle the <i>Belgian question</i>; Van Karnebeek would have no objection to Jaspar's presenting the Dutch solution for the Wierlingen in the Belgian parliament as a Belgian success (the Netherlands was in fact already relinquishing its claims): „He still feels uneasy about the Limburg question for the sake of the Belgians”; confirmation by Delacroix of the British tendency <i>to make matters easy for the Russians</i> and to be content with a minimum (leaving pre-war debts to bond holders, being content with a simple acknowledgement of liability, acceptance of usufruct („jouissance”) and the institution of mixed courts of law, without further adjustments).</p>
260	27.4.1922 Ditto	<p><i>Ditto</i>: Morning conference of ex-neutrals at Swiss quarters to discuss projected meeting of sub-committee; Motta's account of his talk with Lloyd George about the proposal the latter intended to make to the Soviets; chance of rupture with the French who insisted on „restitution de la propriété” and rejected „jouissance”); the latter was based on their fear that the socialists in the different countries would seize upon it in their increasing efforts to transfer ownership to the State; the writer's objections to being grouped a priori with the British or the French (personal preference for French views, but preferred supporting the British to risking a breakdown of the conference); his support for a comparative study, and disapproval of Motta's reconciliation proposal based on the idea of instructing the committee of experts to determine whether the two plans were not, after all, compatible (the writer's objections to such intervention in the conflict were confirmed by the unfavourable reception accorded this step taken by Motta). Van Karnebeek's criticism of the way things were going at the conference (insufficient information owing to non-distribution of essential documents); Skirmunt's complaint about this had been rejected by Schanzer and the writer had the impression that the latter in fact regarded the meetings as conferences of the Supreme</p>

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261	29.4.1922 Ditto	<p>Council with invitees who had to take care not to interfere; Schanzer's rejection of Motta's suggestion that the experts should work out a compromise, and his observation that the issue here was a political one; Schanzer's counter-proposal — after reading out the British and French preambles — that an editorial committee drawn from the political sub-committee should bring the two texts into harmony as far as possible; Fentener van Vlissingen had heard from Bücher about the visit to Genoa of five prominent industrialists and businessmen to enquire whether they could work together with Germany and Russia; Wirth's toast the previous evening to Chicherin on the significance of Rapallo for the international proletariat; Italy's subordination of everything to financial speculation.</p> <p><i>Ditto</i>: Luncheon with Rathenau, Mendelssohn and Kreuter: Rathenau had discussed (1) psychological nature of reparations problem (could be settled only after election of a new parliament in France); (2) high hopes set on Morgan's joining the committee on the new loan and (3) Germany's „Zwangslage” arising from position vis-à-vis Russia and Powers; Treaty of Rapallo a move intended to counteract disadvantageous position. Afternoon conference with Schulthess on economic and financial matters. The writer's objection to Schulthess' intention of addressing the plenary session on behalf of the „neutrals” (his intention to speak there himself cf. No. 238); Schulthess's reluctance to refrain from assuming a measure of leadership. Struycken's account of another clash between Barthou and Lloyd George during the afternoon conference of the political sub-committee.</p>
262	29.4.1922 From Beelaerts van Blokland (Genoa)	<p><i>Belgian question</i>: decision of Council of Ministers that discussion with Jaspar should continue could (Cf. Nos. 246-7) if necessary be carried out on neutral ground (London).</p>
263	29.4.1922 From Beucker Andreae	<p><i>Spitsbergen (mining regulations)</i>: further to Nos. 175 and 217; a Note to be sent to London only, or to London and Christiania? According to Rappard, little support to be expected from Sweden, and fear of meeting with a rebuff; new Norwegian chargé d'affaires on shape of concession (parallelogram or rectangle?); deferment of Netherlands reply if Norway should fail to give satisfaction on any point.</p>

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264	29.4.1922 From De Geer	<i>Relief Credits (Central Europe)</i> : complaint about administrative procedure; figures relating to the credits for Austria, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Serbia and Czechoslovakia to that date, payment urged of the interest still owed by each of those countries.
265	30.4.1922 From Van Karnebeek (Genoa) to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Belgian question</i> and other matters: inquiry as to the reasoning behind No. 262; astonishment at the suggestion (made in The Hague?) about consultation in London; such meddling would be unwise at this moment; ascertainment of the mood in Brussels by Theunis on basis of Jaspar-Van Karnebeek talks in Genoa; chaotic situation at the <i>conference</i> ; dissatisfaction there with the „meeting of the Conseil Suprême with a few other states around it”.
265A	2.5.1922 <i>Annex</i>	Enclosure of the telegram referred to in No. 265.
266	30.4.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : festivities at Pegli in honour of the delegations; departure of Branting and Trygger in mood of despondency.
267	1.5.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Arrangement with Avenol to include Ter Meulen in a small committee set up to devise a formula for Russia's pre-war debts on the basis of the French proposal; discussion with Schanzer on further procedure; ex-neutrals' objections to arrangements which implied confirmation of the peace treaties; heated debates on the question of restitution; Japanese objection to „tame” attitude of the French at the meeting of the political subcommittee; Struycken felt that Europe was busily engaged in erecting a scaffold upon which capitalism and ownership were to expire; conflict between Poincaré and Barthou?
268	2.5.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Van Karnebeek's discussion with Lloyd George before the former's departure for the Netherlands; the latter's fear of rejection by the Russians of the demands made, and of a conflagration in the Balkans; peace treaties as „rest inter alios jacta”; more about the disagreement between France and Belgium; Barthou instructed to be accommodating.
269	3.5.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Account of a satisfactory plenary meeting.
270	3.5.1922 From Snouck Hurgronje to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Ditto</i> : enclosure of a telegram from Van Karnebeek concerning his discussion with Lloyd George; the latter's request to Van Karnebeek to postpone his departure because of possible diffi-

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271	3.5.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	culties with Russia (preparing for war against Poland?) and the chance of having to take „decisions of the utmost importance” in the event of failure of the conference (Cf. Nos. 265-265-A); less pessimistic views in other circles in Genoa. <i>Ditto</i> : discussion with Theunis, head of the Belgian delegation, on (1) the worsened atmosphere in Genoa as a result of the Treaty of Rapallo and British-Russian cooperation; (2) Jaspar's proposals to the Economics Committee on 1 May concerning amendment to Art. 6 (compensation and indemnity) of the memorandum to be sent to the Russians, and Lloyd George's fear that this might lead to a break-down of the conference; (3) Belgium stood alone in the defence of the proposal referred to under (2); danger of sanctions in the event of Germany failing to pay reparations by 31 May; Francophile attitude of the Belgian minister Theunis; his derogatory remarks about Krassin and Chicherin and pessimism regarding the revival of Russian industry.
272	4.5.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Ditto</i> : long discussion with Benes; the latter's fear of a Russian refusal and failure of the conference; exchange of views concerning the non-aggression pact and Art. 10 of the League of Nations Covenant (Cf. No. 258); repeated objections, also vis-à-vis Benes, to ratification of the peace treaties ( <i>res inter alios jacta</i> ). Discussion with Jaspar (Cf. No. 273) and dinner with Schanzer, Bratianu, Lloyd George, Benes et al. as guests of the Japanese.
273	4.5.1922 From Van Karnebeek	<i>Belgian question</i> : report on his second talk with Jaspar (Cf. No. 272) at Villa Farfati near Genoa, in accordance with arrangement referred to at the close of No. 272; Netherlands' Wielingen standpoint unacceptable to Belgium and this question had been linked to the defence of Limburg; both parties' adherence to their own points of view and Van Karnebeek's objection to Jaspar's suggestion that the matter be left in abeyance; press communiqué.
274	5.5.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Ditto</i> : composition of Note for <i>Belgium</i> concerning Wielingen arbitration and ( <i>Genoa Conference</i> ) of Note to political sub-committee on the draft presented to the Russians.
275	5.5.1922 From Ruys de Beeren- brouck to De Geer	<i>Relief credits (Central Europe, with special reference to Austria)</i> : revival of priority on expiration of term of twenty years during which it was to

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276	6.5.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	be suspended; need to refrain from what could be construed as obstructing the granting of a reconstruction loan in accordance with the plans of the League of Nations' finance committee. <i>Genoa Conference</i> : unfavourable impressions gained during and after conference; further talk with Jaspar on <i>Belgian question</i> (Cf. No. 277); no unconditional rejection of arbitration by Belgians; dinner with the Swiss; the writer was seated between Wirth (preoccupied with the sharp rise in prices in Germany) and Banffy (preoccupied with Benes' intentions with regard to non-aggression pact, exclusion of dynasties — Emperor Charles of Hungary — and enforcement of peace treaties).
277	6.5.1922 From Van Karnebeek	<i>Belgian question</i> : report on the third discussion with Jaspar in Genoa; the writer had handed him the Netherlands draft press communiqué; Jaspar's objections to announcing at that stage that arbitration was being considered in the Wielingen question; Van Karnebeek was opposed to a communiqué which would in fact be the same as the one issued in August 1921; further consultation on the wording of the communiqué.
278	8.5.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : Note to Lloyd George on non-aggression pact; talk with Schanzer on Scialoja's efforts to reach a restitution arrangement acceptable to all parties; rumours of possible failure of conference not taken too seriously by Schanzer (after discussions with Lloyd George and the Russians); more generous credits for the USSR in the form of advances for payment of goods supplied? (No loans from State to State); Schanzer's rejection of adjournment; further complaint about procedure at conference; talk with Lloyd George (who was much less tenacious than the writer) at Miramare.
279	9.5.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Preliminary discussion with Patijn and Struycken on convening a meeting of ex-neutrals to discuss non-aggression pact (need for adding to it a provision to the effect that it would terminate when all signatories had joined the League of Nations); pessimism about regulating Russian debts (suspicion that USSR would not be satisfied with prospects offered).
280	10.5.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Conference of ex-neutrals (Cf. No. 279), speculation on the Russian reply expected that day; resolution of host countries to table the

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281	11.5.1922 Ditto	<p>questions of <i>Georgia and Eastern Galicia</i> (continuation of conference?); management of affairs by small clique who took notice of others only when they needed them; the writer's view that the members of the Supreme Council would have done better to deal exclusively with one another. <i>Ditto</i>: Luncheon as guest of Facta and Schanzer at Villa Reggio (with Lloyd George, Evans, Patijn, Struycken and others), Lloyd George in agreement with Netherlands proposals regarding non-aggression pact and his tending towards adjournment of conference as being useful for study of Russian problems; reply by Van Karnebeek that the German problem was equally important; Lloyd George evasive about reparations and his view that Bolshevism existed only on paper (restoration of private property on a wide scale), the writer's reference to persecution in Russia of priests and socialists; Russian reply read aloud by Barthou during discussion; the latter's remarks on recognition of the Soviets after a trial period and on Lloyd George and Schanzer's „scheming” with the Russians; discussion with Avezzano and dinner with Barthou, the guests including U.S. Ambassador Child who enquired whether the Netherlands and the USSR were conducting separate negotiations and expressed the view that France was in the process of regaining moral leadership in Europe and that the Netherlands would have to assume that task if France should prove to be incapable of it; his opinion on the reply (free from polemics) to be given to Russia and his objections to the U.S. taking part in the conference.</p>
282	11.5.1922 From Van Karnebeek to Snouck Hurgronje	<i>Ditto</i> : Request for information concerning an alleged claim by Shell to a monopoly in the USSR.
283	12.5.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Ditto</i> : dinner with Lloyd George at Villa de Alberti; he considered the reply to the Russians to be „sharp, but not on a very realistic level”; impossibility of agreement on that basis, while the negotiations must nevertheless be continued.
284	12.5.1922 From Snouck Hungronje to Ruys de Beeren- brouck	<i>Ditto</i> : enclosure of a telegram from Van Karnebeek dated the previous day, expressing the expectation that the conference would founder; he asked whether another cabinet member could deputise for him in the debate on his estimates in the Upper House, feeling that

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285	12.5.1922 From Snouck Hurgronje	public opinion would not condone his absence from Genoa at such a critical moment; Ruys willing to take his place in the House. <i>Spitsbergen (mining regulation)</i> : Norwegian chargé d'affaires' insistence on reply from the Netherlands in connection with British desire for early settlement of the matter; request for telegraphic instructions as to whether Netherlands objections and definitive proposals should first be communicated to Britain only, or simultaneously to Britain and Norway (Cf. No. 263).
286	13.5.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : Barthou's objections to new Russian committee and his rather unfavourable impression of non-aggression pact; consultation between Barthou and Lloyd George; Facta was urging Van Karnebeek not to return home yet; reflections on unsatisfactory state of affairs and fiasco of the Supreme Council, writer's criticism of the fact that the most important issues were dealt with outside the committees (absence of legal basis); unwarranted disregard to the Baltic States in dealing with the Russian questions; unfavourable verdict of various delegates and real appreciation of Jaspar's courage; good showing by the Netherlands („without becoming entangled in controversies and bickering as between France and Britain"); the Germans had practically ceased to exist at conference since the Treaty of Rapallo.
287	13.5.1922 From Van Karnebeek	<i>Belgian question</i> : account of further discussion with Jaspar in the presence of Struycken, at Palazzo Reale, Genoa, regarding the press release referred to in No. 277.
288	13.5.1922 From Snouck Hurgronje to Ruys de Beerenbrouck	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : enclosure of a telegram from Van Karnebeek referring to the unlikelihood of agreement with Russia and the establishment of a committee for maintaining the contact established with Russia thus far; non-aggression pact for the duration of the committee's deliberations; Van Karnebeek's expectation of failure here as well.
289	13.5.1922 Report from the Colonial Ministry	<i>Yap Cables and DNTG</i> : further details regarding the new Netherlands company to be founded (capital participation by Eastern Extension, concession from the Netherlands government for operating the Yap-Menado cable); appointment of representatives (who for the first five years were required to be Dutch nationals); maintenance and repair of cables; working agreement with Commercial Pacific for laying Menado-

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		Manilla cable, joint purse agreement with Eastern Extension and associated companies and with Northern for traffic between the Netherlands East Indies and Europe via the Manado-Manilla and the Napa-Shanghai cables.
290	14.5.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference</i> : Van Karnebeek's departure from Genoa; Patijn had remained behind.
291	14.5.1922 From Netherlands delegation in Genoa	<i>Ditto</i> : minutes of a meeting of the delegation leaders from Belgium, Britain, France, Italy and Japan held on that date (recommendation that the sub-committee of the First Committee meet without the Germans and Russians).
291A	<i>Annex</i>	Projet de clause à communiquer à la legation Russe.
292	15.5.1922 From Patijn (Genoa)	<i>Ditto (continuation in The Hague)</i> : agreement in sub-committee on proposals to be made to Russia; setting up of a Russian and non-Russian committee (excluding Germany) at the invitation of the United States; meeting of the non-Russian committee planned for 15 June in The Hague; expected arrival of the Russian committee on 26 June; agenda for the meetings (debts, property, credits); non-aggression and abstention from propaganda.
293	15.5.1922 <i>Ditto</i>	<i>Ditto</i> : further telegram about the choice of The Hague as location for the follow-up conference; request for authorisation to announce that the Netherlands was in agreement and to call upon Chicherin.
294	17.5.1922 To Patijn	<i>Ditto</i> : authorisation requested in No. 293 given; request for notification of the reasons for choosing The Hague (in the Netherlands „ni désir ni intrigues”), police surveillance of Soviet delegates in the Netherlands.
295	17.5.1922 From Patijn (Genoa)	<i>Ditto</i> : probable acceptance of the (amended) proposal by the Soviets and Chicherin's preference for meeting in a friendly country with which normal relations were maintained (statement to journalists); Chicherin's criticism of „disobliging attitude of Netherlands delegation” in Genoa, weak support from Lloyd George for The Hague and Patijn's abstention from démarche in favour of it; Chicherin's rejection of non-membership of Germany on non-Russian committee on the grounds of the arrangement already made independently between Germany and Russia at Rapallo (participation of Poland, despite similar

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296	17.5.1922 From Patijn (Genoa)	agreement concluded between Poland and Russia). <i>Ditto</i> : Chicherin's attitude seen as insurmountable objection to courtesy visit as long as the choice of The Hague was not definite.
297	17.5.1922 To Patijn	<i>Ditto</i> : Chicherin's statement construed as „prétexte et manoeuvre parce qu'on désire autre endroit”; concurrence with contents of No. 296 and in the event of courtesy visit Netherlands attitude to be explained („qui s'inspire de l'idée de l'accord collectif avec Russie, qui est le sens de la conférence et que pour cette raison les Pays Bas se sont abstenus d'action séparée”); expectation that the new meeting would be more in the nature of a new conference than of a committee meeting, doubt about its advisability if a fresh fiasco were to be expected in June.
298	17.5.1922 From Patijn (Genoa)	<i>Ditto</i> : Chicherin's rooted objection to going to The Hague, threatening rupture and Patijn's statement that the Soviet committee would receive the same treatment as the non-Russian committee; Chicherin no longer opposed to plan.
299	17.5.1922 To Patijn	<i>Ditto</i> : in view of the conflict of opinion regarding the venue of further meetings, the conference need not consider itself committed to The Hague („gouvernement ne désire pas créer complications, mais ne regretterait pas si la commission se réunit ailleurs”).
300	17.5.1922 From Patijn (Genoa)	<i>Ditto</i> : confirmation of definitive choice of The Hague.
301	17.5.1922 From Patijn (Genoa)	<i>Ditto</i> : further details concerning No. 300; initial objections on Chicherin's part (poor connection between The Hague and Russia) and change in Lloyd George's attitude (Cf. 295); his vigorous defence of The Hague on the grounds of its „international atmosphere”; Michiels van Verduynen (Prague) recommended as secretary general of the forthcoming conference, and Van Blanckestein as press secretary.
302	18.5.1922 From Beelaerts van Blokland	<i>Ditto</i> : Notes on No. 282; denial by Dr.H.Loudon of any Shell monopoly in Russia and furthermore of the existence of any agreement; mere thought of this „abhorrent to the company”; talks with Krassin confined to consultation on nationalised former property of Shell; unrealistic offer of Krassin of a contract.
303	19.5.1922	<i>Morocco</i> : Notes on the Von Motz affair (offer of

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	From Beelarts van Blokland	compensation by Spanish government in connection with liquidation of his business); continuance of the Netherlands claim (difficult to specify) of Fls. 15,000? Less favourable chances of arbitration? Von Motz could return to Morocco only at his own risk.
304	21.5.1922 To Everwijn (Washington)	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> : reason for the decision to hold the meetings in the Netherlands was that this presented the last chance of preventing the nations – inspired by the Treaty of Rapallo – from concluding separate agreements with Soviet Russia and thereby securing the same advantages as Germany; Hughes to be urged to take part by pointing out the technical nature of the discussions.
305	22.5.1922 To Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : enclosure of the text of the press release referred to in Nos. 273, 277 and 287, criticism of the deviations from the agreed text.
305A	<i>Annex</i>	Text of the press release forwarded by the Envoy on 17 May.
306	24.5.1922 From Loudon (Paris)	<i>France and Belgium</i> : objections to abolition of post of Netherlands military attaché in view of military pact concluded between Belgium and France; attaché should not be recalled before true limitation of arms had been effected and the political horizon in Europe had brightened.
307	26.5.1922 From Van Panhuys (Berne)	<i>Rhine navigation</i> : report on the solution reached in April to the question of the lateral canal; Swiss dissatisfaction with the attitude of the Netherlands in this matter (cf. No. 134).
308	27.5.1922 To De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Continuation of Genoa Conference in The Hague</i> : private communication setting out the reasons for a further meeting in the Netherlands: incidents in the summer feared by Poland and Romania if the Genoa Conference should end inconclusively („gaining time until the season in which military operations in the East could no longer take place”); efforts to achieve collective agreement in order to prevent a rush to conclude separate agreements with Russia under the pressure of Rapallo (cf. No. 304) Van Karnebeek’s initial preference for Stockholm; agreement on The Hague as concession to the general interest (notably Lloyd George’s); chairmanship to be placed in the hands of one of the powers that had borne responsibility for Geneva, with honorary chairmanship and possibly deputy-chairmanship for the

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309	29.5.1922 To Everwijn (Washington)	Netherlands. <i>Ditto</i> : Hughes to be urged to take part (if need be ad audiendum); advisable for U.S. Secretary of State to approach the chairman of the Genoa Conference for this purpose, without mentioning that the suggestion had come from the Netherlands.
310	29.5.1922 To Jaspar	<i>Belgian question</i> : formal offer to submit Wielingen dispute to arbitration or to the Permanent Court in the spirit of the agreements of 1907 and the League of Nations Covenant so as to remove the sole point of controversy still impeding the signature of the draft treaties.
311	29.5.1922 From Advisory Committee for Problems of International Law	<i>League of Nations</i> : Report on discussion of the Second Assembly pertaining to Art. 16 of the Covenant under the terms of which it was conceivable that force could be used in defence of the international legal order whilst respecting the sovereignty of states (Van Eysinga: attack on one state regarded as attack on all); objections to resolutions which constantly weakened the purport of Art. 16.
312	30.5.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : report on No. 310; fundamental objections of Jaspar to the arbitration proposal on the grounds that the Netherlands-Belgian draft treaty itself was already unpopular enough in Belgium; Vredenburg's reaction to this and his view that Jaspar would not attempt to solve the Wielingen question unless forced to do so by Flemings and socialists. Non-advisability of agitation against Jaspar („whose head was still adorned with the halo of Genoa") at that juncture.
313	30.5.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Ditto</i> : call on Jaspar in connection with No. 305. The latter's promise that the matter would be gone into.
314	31.5.1922 From Hughes to Everwijn (Washington)	<i>Continuation of Genoa Conference in The Hague</i> : instructions the State Department had sent Ambassador Child in Genoa on 17 May regarding Russian participation in the work of an economic committee of inquiry, on condition that Russia withdraw the memorandum of 11 May.
315	1.6.1922 From French Government	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> : primary need for a „plan d'ensemble très clair et très complet" in regard to Russian recovery, to be accepted by the Soviets. Impossibility of having such a plan ready by 20 June.
316	1.6.1922	<i>Ditto</i> : Talk with Hughes with reference to No.

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317	From Everwijn (Washington) 2.6.1922 To Van Panhuys (Berne)	<i>304</i> : non-dispatch of a delegate <i>ad audiendum</i> or observer by United States. Offer to come to The Hague for oral consultation. <i>International Labour Organisation</i> : resolution of League of Nations Council of 12 May requesting ruling by Permanent Court on whether the Netherlands delegate to the third ILO conference had been appointed in conformity with Art. 389 of the Treaty of Versailles. Surprise at such „interference without prior consultation with the Netherlands government”.
317-A	24.5.1922 <i>Annex</i>	<i>Relevant report by correspondent of N.R.C.</i> (Rotterdam Daily) of 29 May: note on what was considered misleading presentation by A. Thomas suggesting that acceptance of the resolution proposed by the „Commission des vérifications des pouvoirs” was tantamount to acceptance of the motion tabled in the Council of the League of Nations. (Bulletin No. 7, pp. 10 and 8 resp.).
317-B	31.5.1922 <i>Annex 2</i> From François	<i>Note on interpretation of Art. 389 of the Treaty of Versailles</i> : outline of the procedure by which the Netherlands labour delegate had until then been appointed: sectarianism of the trade unions in the Netherlands, as a result of which none of the five general unions could be regarded as truly representative.
317-C	12.6.1922 <i>Annex 3</i> From Aalberse	<i>Relief credits</i> : abolition of pledging of Austrian State assets instituted in order to make the Ter Meulen League of Nations plan possible.
318	2.6.1922 From De Geer	<i>Belgian question</i> : writer's objections to interlocking Belgian-Netherlands military measures prior to revision of the 1839 treaties. Arbitration was the only way left.
319	2.6.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Genoa Conference</i> (continuation in The Hague): meeting with Litvinov on the train from Berlin to to Reval. Probable composition of Russian delegation (Joffe instead of Litvinov?); Soviets could be expected to be more accommodating in The Hague so as to secure recognition and credits. Litvinov on inevitability of world revolution.
320	3.6.1922 From Van den Bosch (Reval)	<i>Ditto. Talk with Eyre Crowe</i> : the latter's ignorance regarding British attitude at the Conference, where the Foreign Office would not be represented. His optimism about German reparations payments and his belief that aggressive intentions were not the reason for the Russian troop concentration on the western frontier.
321	3.6.1922 From De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Netherlands Naval attachés</i> : hopes that Colonel
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323	From De Marees van Swinderen (London) 6.6.1922 From Kikkert	Sluys would not be recalled as such from London. Importance of keeping in direct touch with developments in the British naval programme so as to avoid alarming isolation. <i>Rhine navigation</i> : articles of the Versailles Treaty and revision of the 1868 Treaty of Mannheim: difference of opinion as to whether there had been unanimous approval of the resolutions adopted by the Central Rhine Navigation Commission, and consequent suspension of the debate in the Netherlands Parliament on the Bill pertaining to Netherlands entry.
323-A	<i>Annex 1</i> From Beucker Andreae	<i>Note relating to applicability of Art. 46 of the Treaty in regard to shippers' patents.</i>
323-B	<i>Annex 2</i> From Beucker Andreae	Second note concerning the interpretation of Art. 46 as laid down in the Government's explanatory note to Art. 356 of the Treaty of Versailles.
324	6.6.1922 To De Marees van Swinderen	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> : Van Karnebeek's doubts about accepting chairmanship (should, rather, go to one of the major host powers); likelihood of fierce controversies during the debates; need for prior agreement between Britain and Italy; possible honorary chairmanship for the Netherlands; pessimism about the outcome of the conference.
325	6.6.1922 To De Marees van Swinderen (London) and Loudon (Paris)	<i>Belgian question</i> : Jaspar's opposition to arbitration referred to in No. 319; his continued linking of settlement of Wielingen dispute with a military agreement on Limburg; Van Swinderen on weakening of Belgian position through rejection of arbitration.
326	8.8.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Ditto</i> : discussion with de Broqueville on the Van Karnebeek-Jaspar meeting in Genoa (Cf. Nos. 246-47, 272-73, 277, 287, 305, 310 and 312). Detaching the Rhine provinces from Prussia and elevating them to the position of a separate state under the protection of the Netherlands and Belgium preferred by de Broqueville to the annexationist policy he had persistently advised the King against. Possible effect of the breaking off of the negotiations on the Flemish movement. Need for early Belgian co-operation in view of expiration of 5-year term within which Belgium could by virtue of the Treaty of Versailles force Germany to settle the question of the Rhine canal.
327	9.9.1922	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> :

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328	Minutes of the Council of Ministers 9.9.1922 From Van Welderen Rengers (Constantinople)	designation of Struycken and Snouck Hurgronje as experts. <i>Turkey: abolition of the capitulations:</i> unilateral Young Turkish declaration of 1914: impracticability in the Netherlands (arbitrariness of Turkish justice officials and insufficiently developed Turkish system of law); objections to the voluntary surrender of a justifiable cultural privilege and inclination to participate in the deliberations of a preparatory committee on reforms with a view to the replacement of the capitulatory instruments.
329	9.9.1922 Minutes of joint meeting of Foreign Affairs, Public Works and Marine	Discussion of public works and Belgium: evaluation of Zealand plan for damming up the Eendracht and the Zandkreek; dredging near Bath; Belgian complaints about condition of Wemeldingse Vlije and Belgian objections to Netherlands plan for a lateral canal in Limburg; factual and legal problems; was the Meuse (common to both countries) a navigable or a non-navigable river?
330	10.9.1922 From De Graaff	<i>Turkey: abolition of capitulations</i> (Cf. No. 328): enclosures of annex; the Netherlands' reduced interest in maintenance of the capitulations owing to the cessation of Turkish sovereignty over the holy cities and Jiddah.
330-A	<i>Annex</i> From C. Snouck Hurgronje (Leyden)	Little enthusiasm on the part of intellectual Mohammedans in NEI for Pan-Islamic views and no gratitude towards the Netherlands administration for passive co-operation in abolition of the capitulations.
331	10.6.1922 Minutes of the Committee on International Law	<i>Revision of League of Nations Treaty:</i> economic pressure from non-belligerents; prize courts and blockade; special cases provided for in Art. 16; rupture and reprisals; limitation of Art. 4 by 5th resolution; what would become of Art. 16 if there were a recurrence of the 1914 situation? did Art. 16 require the Council to be accessible to all States? Unanimity on the intention to exclude the violator? Possible amendment of resolutions 7 and 9; participation of Small States in the case of resolution 9 (as regards the blockade of Germany, the Netherlands the obvious choice for blockading the river Ems); implementation of Art. 16 expected to proceed slowly owing to very gradual increase in means to bring pressure to bear.

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332	12.6.1933 To van Dijk	<i>League of Nations</i> (arms reduction); supplement to reply to question about not increasing military expenditure for two years in connection with the naval estimates. Decrease of Fls. 71.000.000 in expenditure on the Netherlands defence budget for 1922 compared with 1921, as against a decrease of Fls. 2.000.000 in the naval estimates over the same period.
333	12.6.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> : talk with Benoist about his acting as representative of France and non-acceptance of the chairmanship by Britain or France. His view that the Netherlands should not pursue neutrality to the point of declining the chairmanship (Cf. No. 324); Van Karnebeek's reply that the Netherlands could not bear any responsibility for a conference about which it had been neither consulted nor informed; the conflicting views and confusion that had already become evident in Genoa; Van Karnebeek's condemnation of the way international consultation on important political issues had been handled.
334	13.6.1922 Ditto	<i>Ditto</i> : Britain's agreement with the proposed arrangement of an honorary chairmanship for Van Karnebeek and decision on the presidency by the conference itself.
335	13.6.1922 From Colonel Sluys (London)	<i>Aviation Conference, Paris 1905</i> : Netherlands objection to Art. 5 (originally directed against Germany) which was no longer relevant. Britain wanted an Article of that tenor in order to bring pressure and repression to bear on profiteering non-member and member States which did not fulfil their obligations.
335-A	12.6.1922 <i>Annex</i> From British Government	Memorandum refuting the objections mentioned in the preamble.
336	13.6.1922 From Patijn	<i>League of Nations loan to Austria (credits)</i> : Danish trade treaty with the Soviets and action by other countries (claims upon the Soviets in respect of securities and amounts owing).
337	14.6.1922 From François	<i>Terms of reference for third League of Nations conference</i> : adherence to general guidelines used for the first and second conferences; election of president, work of Council and secretariat; Art. 19 as basis for the various other articles, notably Art. 16; need from the point of view of legal security for a uniform interpretation of Art. 18; Netherlands backing of requests for admission

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338	14.6.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	(Austria, possibly Germany); support for any general plan for the reduction of arms and for implementation of Art. 8, A1.5; reflections on the committee reports on the Bills of Exchange law and the <i>Conference of Barcelona</i> ; countering opium abuse; conciliation; better allocation of the costs of the League; rules governing the election of permanent members of the Council; election procedure in conformity with the 1921 Orange Paper, page 20. <i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> : account of talks with Marling and Graeme, who had stated that Britain was counting on Van Karnebeek's chairmanship (which he did not desire); talk with Benoist: dependence of Van Karnebeek's decision on attitude of France; announcement by Benoist that as head of a „commission d'étude” he would for the present act only as an observer; insistence on his part, too, that Van Karnebeek should accept the chairmanship.
339	14.6.1922 From Van Vredenburg (Brussels)	<i>Belgian question</i> : enclosure of analytical report on session of Belgian Parliament of 13 June, paraphrasing annexationism, Wielingen dispute and other matters relating to the revision treaty; British support for Belgium in negotiations? Speech by Theunis regarding the deliberations of the bankers in Paris; unwillingness on the part of Belgium and France „d'admettre une amputation de leur créance qui n'aurait pas de contre-partie”.
340	17.6.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> : Avezzano's request, also on behalf of Lord Graeme, to Van Karnebeek concerning chairmanship of the non-Russian committee, where what mattered was his personal qualities, not his office. Van Karnebeek's reluctance to refuse point blank.
341	21.6.1922 From Van Dijk	<i>Netherlands naval attachés</i> (Cf. No. 322): insistence on retention of Colonel Sluys in London in 1923, mainly in connection with the continuing chance of the Naval Act being passed in the Netherlands; objections to his being employed in the Netherlands with periodic official visits to Britain, since the vital contacts he had built up might then be lost.
341-A	1.6.1922 <i>Annex</i> From Beelaerts van Blockland	Memorandum expressing agreement with Van Dijk's reasoning but suggesting that this argued more for transferring Van Sluys to the naval budget.
342	21.6.1922	<i>United States</i> : Fock advised against compliance

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	From Fock (Batavia) to De Graaff	with the requests from the US consul in Batavia and the US consul general in Singapore for confidential information in view of the inevitability, ultimately, of war between America and Japan, in which the Netherlands would co-operate with America; he felt that discussion of this kind was outside the competence of the NEI government.
343	23.6.1922 From Snouck Hurgronje	<i>Poland (clothing credit)</i> (Cf. No. 176): Request to urge Ministry of Finance to retract refusal to heed Polish request.
344	23.6.1922 From Van IJsselsteyn	<i>Germany (coal credits)</i> : unemployment in IJmuiden fishery industry owing to inability to compete with the selling prices of German trawlers; possible decrease in monthly deliveries of coal by Germany of, say, 20,000 tons in exchange for German undertaking that those trawlers would avoid the port of IJmuiden for the duration of the arrangement.
345	24.6.1922 From Pustoshkin to Beelaerts van Blokland	<i>Russian diplomatic mission in the Netherlands</i> : request for retention of the (Tsarist) legation on the grounds of the need to allow continuation of „une autorité Russe non-bolchéviste” in all countries.
345-A	26.6.1922 <i>Annex</i> From Beelaerts van Blokland	Russian agreement with retention of Pustoshkin on the diplomatic list as first secretary (instead of chargé d'affaires); deletion from the list of the (absent) military attaché and the commercial attaché (residing in Brussels) in order to reduce the staff of the former Russian legations to the smallest possible proportions.
346	27.6.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Norway (Spitsbergen question)</i> : Willingness to abandon the idea of an international conference on the matter only if Oslo took fuller account of Dutch wishes, which it had declared unacceptable.
347	27.6.1922 From Van Eysinga	<i>Rhine navigation</i> : appointment of members of Central Commission; „Kleinstaaterei” desired on the part of the Entente powers, as against the statement by the German envoy that the small German States wished their delegates to be regarded as a Reichs delegation, and not as representatives of riparian states; that question to be measured against the provisions of the Treaty of Versailles; formal untenability of German standpoint but little inclination on the part of the Netherlands to oppose that standpoint.
347-A	<i>Annex</i> From Kikkert	Agreement with Van Eysinga's reasoning.

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347-B	<i>Annex 2</i> From Van Karnebeek	Notes expressing doubt whether the Netherlands interest in this case warranted diplomatic negotiation, and his disinclination to lend support to attempts to dismember Germany.
347-C	15.6.1922 <i>Annex 3</i> From Nederbragt	Suggestion not to react to the German statement referred to in No. 347 in consideration of the fact that this could never be construed as the surrender of any right by the Netherlands.
347-D	17.6.1922 <i>Annex 4</i> Second note from Kikkert	Agreement with plan to leave the German envoy out of it for the present and accordingly not to dispatch an <i>accusé de réception</i> . View expressed that the matter, which was certain to be raised at the next meeting of the Central Commission, should not be allowed to be disposed of without the Netherlands being consulted.
347-E	22.6.1922 <i>Annex 5</i> From Snouck Hurgronje	Reference to the Netherlands' preference up till then for treatment of Rhine navigation matters (including navigation rights) by the riparian states rather than by the German State.
347-F	<i>Annex 6</i> From Van Karnebeek	Request to draft a formula making it clear to Germany that the matter could not be decided without reference to the Netherlands, leading to a recommendation (24 October) to the Netherlands delegates to abstain in the Central Commission, while pointing out that the matter definitely concerned the Netherlands.
348	28.6.1922 From De Graaff	<i>Aid for Turkish refugees</i> : desire to prevent the establishment of a committee, as referred to in the Annex, in the NEI.
348-A	21.6.1922 <i>Annex</i> From C. Snouck Hurgronje (Leyden)	The writer could understand the action of Boon and Nijpels, reported by Van Welderen Rengers (envoy in Constantinople), to induce Europeans resident in the NEI to lend support to certain Turkish refugees. Need to refrain from stressing the Mohammedan character and advice to remain aloof from all political elements so as to avoid the reproach of courting Islam.
349	28.6.1922 To Van Panhuys (Berne)	<i>League of Nations aid to Russian and Armenian refugees</i> : agreement in principle with the proposals of the High Commissioner; attention directed to the small number of Russians seeking refuge in the Netherlands, so that for such persons only a small number of identity cards would have to be issued; the Netherlands was prepared to make rolling stock and transport facilities available.
350	28.6.1922 From George	<i>Portuguese trade and tariffs</i> : objections to Portuguese proposal to terminate the Declaration of

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	(Lisbon)	1894 (S.1896/89) immediately after announcement of the new tariff, and simultaneously to open negotiations for a new treaty; preference for retention of the Declaration for one more year to provide opportunity for closer study of the new Portuguese tariff.
351	29.6.1922 From Patijn	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague):</i> view that as Secretary General of the conference he should not be involved with any measures the government might take in regard to the residence of Russians in the Netherlands.
352	29.6.1922 To Patijn	<i>Ditto:</i> agreement with No. 351, but would appreciate receipt of information and suggestions; each day that went well was a day gained; prevention of misuse by the Russians of stagnation in the negotiations.
353	30.6.1922 To Van IJsselsteyn	<i>League of Nations agenda:</i> pollution of public waters by industry — unlike pollution of seas and ports by tankers — less suitable for being dealt with by the League in view of possibility of consultation between the individual States concerned; expectation that pursuant to a resolution passed by the House of Representatives the US President would take action in regard to seas and ports.
354	30.6.1922 Minutes of the Committee on International Law	<i>Revision of League of Nations Treaty:</i> exhaustive discussion of Art. 16; draft Bill relating to the provisions for implementation of Art. 16 in the Netherlands.
355	4.7.1922 From Binder (London)	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague):</i> economic reconstruction of Europe: national relief corporations and their proceeding with the scheme dependent on further discussion with their respective governments; a definite decision to be given 30 days after termination of the Genoa Conference; difficulty of arriving at such a decision before the results of the Conference at The Hague were known.
356	5.7.1922 Minutes of the 5th meeting of the Com- mittee for the Revision of Trade Agreements	<i>General survey of current trade agreements:</i> the position with regard to Albania, Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Germany, Great Britain, Finland, France, Hungary, New Zealand, Austria, Poland, Portugal, the border states, Romania, Spain, Czechoslovakia and Venezuela.
357	5.7.1922 From König	<i>Belgium:</i> damming of Eendracht and Zandkreek (cf. Nos. 163 and 185); financial objections to damming of Zandkreek; non-acceptance by the Netherlands of obligation to keep channels of

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358	6.7.1922 From Van Dijk	Zandkreek at proper depth by means of engineering or dredging works. <i>League of Nations</i> (arms reduction): agreement with the military-political considerations contained in the first annex; impossibility of furnishing comprehensive guarantees; fundamental objections of the Netherlands to the conclusion of military alliances and preference for the conclusion of agreements for the prevention of war and respect for international law; duty of the Netherlands, within the terms of the League Treaty, to possess adequate means of repulsing with the force of arms any violation of its own rights, pending joint action.
358-A	<i>Annex 1</i> From Van Dijk's ministry	Draft reply to the League in accordance with the contents of No. 358; continued possibility of lawful (defence against aggression, participation in economic boycotts or in League of Nations military expeditions) and some unlawful wars; Netherlands military needs for the State and for the colonies; reflections on international obligations, geographical location and internal security.
358-B	July 1922 <i>Annex 2</i> From François	Notes relating to No. 358-A: need for an army for the maintenance of neutrality and for defence in the cases referred to in No. 358-A; possibility of substantial reduction in the armed forces if the other States decided upon a similar line of conduct; when would the Netherlands be required to take part in international action?
358-C	16.8.1922 <i>Annex 3</i> To League of Nations	French text of the reply sent to the secretariat.
359	11.7.1922 To De Geer	<i>Regulation of trade relations with Austria</i> : provision to be included in the exchange of memoranda concerning control under the old agreements of imports of samples, in order to leave undecided the question whether the Republic of Austria was bound by the agreements of the former monarchy; need for consolidation of conditions in Central Europe and clearer evidence of the need for new agreements before the conclusion of a new treaty.
360	11.7.1922 From Quarles van Ufford (Rome)	<i>League of Nations mandate (Palestine)</i> : summary of the British White Paper published shortly before; comments on Hoare's audience with Pope Pius XI and the report on it given by Cardinal Gasparri to the Dutch envoy.

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361	15.7.1922 To Van Panhuys (Berne), Rappard (Copenhagen) and Sweerts de Landas Wyborgh (Stockholm)	<i>League of Nations agenda</i> : unacceptability of the increase in the League's annual budget by nearly 4.5 million goldfrancs (from Frs. 20,873,945 to Frs. 25,248,190) in view of the efforts being made everywhere just then to reduce costs.
362	15.7.1922 From Nederbragt	<i>Freedom of transit</i> : note relating to the Barcelona agreement of 20 April 1921 signed by the Netherlands on 28 November 1921. Strangeness of the priorities in the explanatory memorandum of the Dutch enabling Act; signature only for the Kingdom in Europe; articles 2 and 5 and distinction made between nationalities in respect of passport and visa requirements for transit.
363	15.7.1922 From König	<i>Germany (coal credits) and unemployment in IJmuiden fisheries (further to No. 344)</i> : objections to restrictions on the sales of German catches by closing the fish market to foreign nationals or raising the tariffs; to achieve effect the tariffs would have to be increased more than sixfold.
364	15.7.1922 From Emir El Djabri and Suleiman Kanaan	<i>League of Nations mandate (Syria and the Lebanon)</i> : request to disclaim all responsibility for the „régime périlleux pour la paix du monde” resulting from France's misuse of the mandate granted her at San Remo against the wishes of the Syrian people.
365	16.7.1922 From Litvinov to Patijn	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague)</i> : statement of intent of the Russian delegation (obtaining reconstruction credits and willingness to discuss indemnification for the old Russian debts, provided restoration of the private property of foreign creditors was not made a preliminary requirement); proposal that the three non-Russian sub-committees (private property, debts and credits) be convened with a view to establishing a basis for resumption of the Genoa talks.
366	17.7.1922 From Patijn to Litvinov	Reply to No. 365, rejecting the proposal referred to in the closing passage because the chairmen of those sub-committees „ne formant pas un organisme de la commission non-Russe, n'auraient aucune compétence dans la matière”; willingness of the credit sub-committee to meet on 18 July with the „commission Russe” so as to enable the latter to put forward a better offer.
367	18.7.1922 From De Geer	<i>League of Nations agenda</i> : reference to the annex in connection with No. 361; unfairness to the Netherlands of the cost allocation scale then applied; the writer agreed that the League's bud-

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367-A	20.7.1922 <i>Annex</i>	<p>get should not be increased; amplification of instructions in the sense that reduction of the League's costs should be urged so that the League might serve as an example to all States of the sobriety and thrift needed to save the world, and Europe in particular, from extinction.</p> <p>Comments by League of Nations Department on the preamble; no objection to support for the campaign against the spread of infectious diseases; reservations about firm announcement to the effect that the Netherlands would no longer wish to co-operate on the present basis of cost allocation, as this would be tantamount to giving conditional notice of termination of membership of the League; a number of suggestions for economising, including limiting the number of secretariat officials, scrapping some items for unforeseen expenditure, improved auditing and collection of amounts outstanding; restriction of the League's activities (termination of less important activities such as surveys, etc.).</p>
368	18.7.1922 From Litvinov to Patijn	<p><i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague):</i> reply to No. 366: objections to transfer of work to sub-committees which individually were unable to reach definitive conclusions; express purpose of Russian delegation's visit to The Hague had been to meet the plenary non-Russian committee, but it had stranded there on the three non-competent sub-committees; request for the convening of a plenary meeting of the two committees (Russian and non-Russian) for the purpose of drafting the outlines of a basic agreement; refusal of the (final) invitation for the session of the first sub-committee as being contrary to the „base de l'égalité des droits”.</p>
369	18.7.1922 From Patijn to Litvinov	<p><i>Ditto.</i> Reply to No. 368: acceptance of the proposal for a „réunion plénière des deux commissions” (on the 19th) subject to withdrawal of the demand formulated at the end of No. 365, which had not to be regarded as a „condition préliminaire”, but as a „nécessité pratique en vue d'éviter les pertes de temps”; defence of the „faits et gestes” of the individual sub-committees; lack of results achieved there attributable to the obstinate „Commission Russe”.</p>
370	18.7.1922 Minutes of the Committee on International Law	<p><i>Revision of League of Nations Treaty:</i> continuation of discussion (cf. No. 354) of Art. 16 c.</p>

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371	19.7.1922 From Litvinov	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague):</i> proposal put forward by the writer at the plenary meeting to refer certain matters to the governments concerned by reason of the fact that the delegates were only experts, not plenipotentiaries; linking of the acknowledgement of old debts and indemnification of foreign nationals to the granting of credits by the Western powers; the proposal had contained no guarantee regarding the answer from his government; Patijn's comment on the negative attitude of the Russian delegates and the closing of the session; emphasis on the fact that „the declaration made by the Russian delegation could not form the basis of an agreement as it did not embody any working rules and excluded the possibility of any guarantee ensuring the effective discharge of the undertakings which it was suggested the Russian government should assume”.
372	21.7.1922 Minutes of the Council of Ministers	<i>League of Nations Conference:</i> appointment of Loudon, Struyken, and Van Eysinga as delegates; approval of their instructions.
373	21.7.1922 Van Karnebeek's diary	<i>Genoa Conference (continuation in The Hague):</i> farewell visit by Litvinov who, even after Genoa, had cherished hopes of obtaining credits, but for the rest felt that the conference had had a clarifying effect and had thus not been useless; Litvinov's question whether the Netherlands was prepared to agree to some arrangements with Russia; unlikelihood of any initiative on the part of the Netherlands; Dutch trade with Russia linked by Litvinov to Soviet representation in the Netherlands; Van Karnebeek's fear that such a body might conduct political propaganda; Litvinov's view that the Third International had nothing to do with the Russian government; Van Karnebeek's doubts about that and his reluctance to conclude an agreement in view of the terror tactics the Soviets continued to deploy; discussion of the question whether the Netherlands had played any part in the blockade and intervention.
374	22.7.1922 From Van Panhuys (Berne)	<i>League of Nations agenda:</i> Swiss agreement with the Netherlands' objections to increasing the League's budget; they feared, however, that a <i>démarche</i> on their part as well would add to the existing dissatisfaction of the Secretariat General with the seat of the League; absurd demands made by the Secretariat in financial and other areas.

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375	22.7.1922 From Van Ketwich Verschuur (Tangier)	<i>Tangier Statute</i> : The High Commissioner in the Spanish zone, General Berenguer, was to be succeeded by the Military Governor of Madrid, General Burguette, who could be expected to attempt to consolidate the Spanish protectorate in Morocco by „pénétration pacifique” (co-operation with the native population); rumours that the Foreign Office in London would not be averse to a Netherlands mandate over the zone, a solution favoured by the writer in view of the Netherlands' experience (neutral power) in governing Mohammedan peoples; in that case, however, it would be necessary to limit the responsibilities and to have adequate statutory guarantees against serious political difficulties.
376	22.7.1922 Ditto	<i>French nationality in Morocco</i> : enclosure of a decree relating to the French zone of the Sherifian Empire, with a copy of the objections raised by the Italian Ambassador in Paris.
376-A	21.11.1921 <i>Annex 1</i> From Van Kleffens to Beucker Andreae	Notes on the questionable innovation featured in this decree (imposition of French nationality on children born there if one of the parents came under French jurisdiction).
376-B	<i>Annex 2</i> From Van Karnebeek	Inclination to keep the matter in abeyance pending the ruling of The Hague Court in a forthcoming case between France and Britain; fear, based partly on the objections raised – not without reason – by Italy, that in the event of judgement going against her France would annex Morocco.
377	25.7.1922 To Emir el Djabri and Suleiman Kanaan	<i>League of Nations mandate (Syria and the Lebanon)</i> : acknowledgement of receipt of No. 364, deleting the statement still appearing in original that the Netherlands – not represented on the League of Nations Council – bore no responsibility for the mandate.
378	27.7.1922 To De Marees van Swinderen (London)	<i>Yap cables</i> : claims of the DNTG against the Eastern Telegraph Company in respect of the pool agreements totalling 3,165,061 gold francs (1,161,011 gold francs from the Dutch Indies Pool and 2,004,050 gold francs from the German-Dutch Pool); these amounts to be divided between the DNTG (10%), the Netherlands (375/1400 of the remaining 90%) and the German (the balance) governments; the British Government to be asked to authorise payment of the 763,006.26 gold francs accruing to the Netherlands.
379	27.7.1922	<i>Yap cables</i> : Italian objections to allocation of the

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380	To Hubrecht (Washington) 28.7.1922 To De Graaff	Yap-Menado cable to the Netherlands withdrawn; Hubrecht instructed to press the US government for a definitive decision. <i>American claims to Miangas (Palmas-Miangas arbitration)</i> : an attempt should first be made to bring this case before the Permanent Court in view of the expense of settling disputes through arbitration; simultaneous presentation of a draft arbitration compromise in case the United States should decide against The Hague Court; some comments on the wording of the draft.
380-A	<i>Annex 1</i>	Special (draft) agreement on the submission to arbitration of the question of sovereignty over the island of Palmas (or Miangas).
380-B	6.5.1919 <i>Annex 2</i> From C. van Vollenhoven	Memorandum relating to the writer's discussions about the arbitration compromise at the Department of State; agreement in principle to arbitration in this dispute dating from 1905 reached in 1914; Netherlands draft compromise dated 1916 and amendments made in April 1919.
381	29.7.1922 To H.M. the Queen	<i>Netherlands Diplomatic Service</i> : meeting new needs arising from the disintegration of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy: transfer (from London) of F.E.M.H. Michiels van Verduynen to Vienna (with station Budapest) as chargé d'affaires with the Hungarian Foreign Minister to deputise in the absence of Van Weede, the Envoy in Vienna.