

## BOARD OF REFERENCE FOR FAR EASTERN QUESTIONS

*Resolution adopted by the Conference on the Limitation of Armament  
at Washington February 4, 1922*

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### RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A BOARD OF REFERENCE FOR FAR EASTERN QUESTIONS

The representatives of the Powers assembled at the present Conference at Washington, to wit, the United States of America, Belgium, the British Empire, China, France, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands and Portugal:

Desiring to provide a procedure for dealing with questions that may arise in connection with the execution of the provisions of Articles III and V of the Treaty to be signed at Washington on February 6th, 1922,<sup>1</sup> with reference to their general policy designed to stabilize conditions in the Far East, to safeguard the rights and interests of China, and to promote intercourse between China and the other Powers upon the basis of equality of opportunity;

Resolve that there shall be established in China a Board of Reference to which any questions arising in connection with the execution of the aforesaid Articles may be referred for investigation and report.

The Special Conference provided for in Article II of the Treaty to be signed at Washington on February 6th, 1922, with reference to the Chinese Customs Tariff,<sup>2</sup> shall formulate for the approval of the Powers concerned a detailed plan for the constitution of the Board.

[For parties, see bracketed note p. 331.]

<sup>1</sup> TS 723, *post*, p. 377.

<sup>2</sup> TS 724, *post*, p. 384.