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REPORT OF THE NEW ZEALAND DELEGATION TO THE FIRST GENERAL CONFERENCE HELD AT PARIS, 19 NOVEMBER – 10 DECEMBER, 1946

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SIR.—

We have the honour to submit the report of the New Zealand delegation to the First General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, held in Paris from 19 November to 10 December, 1946. Since no official report has been printed in New Zealand of the Conference in London in November, 1945, where the Constitution of UNESCO was framed, we have thought it wise, in our report, to give a brief outline of the Organization from the beginning, and to explain points which, while they are very familiar to you, are as yet unknown to many New-Zealanders. In this we have been greatly assisted by Mr. A. E. Campbell, who was one of New Zealand's delegates to the London Conference.

May we take this opportunity of thanking you for the honour you did us in appointing us delegates, and for the freedom you granted the delegation, and the reliance you placed in its independent judgment. We feel that this policy gave the New Zealand delegation a distinct advantage in negotiations, where many other countries were rigidly bound by instructions.

We have, &c.,

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