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The Political and Territorial Commission for Italy held forty-three meetings. It was composed of delegates of twenty countries : Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Byelo-Russian S.S.R., Canada, China, Czechoslovakia, Ethiopia, France, Greece, India, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Ukrainian S.S.R., United Kingdom, Union of South Africa, U.S.A., U.S.S.R., Yugoslavia. Norway alone of the twenty-one nations at the Conference was not represented.

The Commission had the task of considering certain parts of the draft peace treaty between the Allied and Associated Powers and Italy drawn up by the Council of Foreign Ministers, and of submitting, eventually, recommendations to the Plenary Conference. These parts were as follows :—

Preamble.

Part I: Territorial clauses (Articles 1 to 13, Annexes 1 and 2).

Part II: Political clauses (Articles 14 to 37, Annex 9).

Part III: War Criminals (Article 38).

Part V: Withdrawal of Allied Forces (Article 63).

Part IX: Settlement of disputes (Article 72).

Part XI: Final clauses (Articles 75 and 78).

In the course of its work the Commission took into consideration some ninety-five amendments, proposals, and resolutions advanced by the member delegations.

The observations of the Italian delegation⁽¹⁾, oral statements of Italian, Albanian, and Egyptian representatives, and the memorandum of the Albanian delegation⁽²⁾ were also taken into consideration in so far as they concerned articles within the competence of the Commission and provided they were sponsored by one of the delegations member of this Commission.

The members of the Council of Foreign Ministers had agreed in advance upon most of the articles submitted for the consideration of this Commission, but the Four Powers had not been able to reach prior

⁽¹⁾ CP (IT/P), Docs. 1 and 12.

⁽²⁾ CP (Gen), Doc. 7.