3. REPRESENTATION

The ordinary methods of representation were not followed at the Conference. The Governing Body wished to secure adequate representation of the non-metropolitan territories of South-east Asia, which have a large measure of autonomy in respect of labour policy and occupy an important place in world economy on account of their production of valuable raw materials. As a result of negotiations with the metropolitan States members concerned it was decided that Burma, Ceylon, the Malayan Union and Singapore would be represented by their own delegations. Similarly, separate delegations came from France, and from the territories of the French Union in Asia—namely, Cambodia, Laos, Cochin China, Indo-China and the French Settlements in India and New Caledonia, The Netherlands Government indicated that in the composition of the delegation representing the Netherlands Union the regional nature of the Conference would be taken into account.

The following territories were therefore represented:—

Afghanistan.

United States of America.

Australia.

Burma.

Cambodia.

Ceylon.

China.

Cochin-China.

French Union.

French Establishments in India and New Caledonia.

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

India.

Indo-China.

Laos.

Malayan Union.

Nepal.

Netherlands Union.

New Zealand.

Pakistan.

Siam.

Singapore.

The total number of delegates present (according to provisional records) was 58 (30 Government, 14 employers', and 14 workers'). Advisers, substitutes, special representatives, and observers totalled 128 (72 Government, 26 employers', and 30 workers').

Two representatives of the United Nations and one representative of the Interim Commission of the World Health Organization also attended the Conference.

The New Zealand delegation was—

Representing the Government—

Mr. Edward Bellamy Taylor, Assistant Secretary, Department of Labour and Employment.

Mr. Lindsay Stewart Dixon, Research Officer, Department of Labour and Employment.

Representing the Employers—

Mr. John Roland Hanlon, Assistant Secretary, New Zealand Employers' Federation.

Representing the Workers—

Mr. Archibald Brewster Grant, Secretary of the Canterbury Trades Council &c.