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Soviet Union and the United States in safeguarding peace and security to the freedom-loving peoples after the war. Both sides state with satisfaction the unity of their views on all these questions.

At the conclusion of the visit the President asked Mr. Molotov to inform Mr. Stalin on his behalf that he feels these conversations have been most useful in establishing a basis for fruitful and closer relations between the two governments in the pursuit of the common objectives of the United Nations.

XLVIII. COMBINED PRODUCTION AND RE-SOURCES BOARD AND COMBINED FOOD BOARD, UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN

(Dept. of State Bulletin, Vol. VI, No. 155, June 13, 1942)

The President announced on June 9 on behalf of himself and the Prime Minister of Great Britain the creation of a Combined Production and Resources Board and a Combined Food Board.

The general purpose of the two boards was announced with release of memoranda addressed by the President to Mr. Donald Nelson, who will act as the American representative on the Combined Production and Resources Board, and to the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Claude Wickard, who will act as the American representative on the Combined Food Board.

The text of the memorandum to Mr. Nelson follows.

"In order to complete the organization needed for the most effective use of the combined resources of the United States and the United Kingdom for the prosecution of the war, there is hereby established a Combined Production and Resources Board.

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"1. The Board shall consist of the Chairman of the War Production Board, representing the United States, and the Minister of Production, representing the United Kingdom. "2. The Board shall:

"(a) Combine the production programs of the United States and the United Kingdom into a single integrated program, adjusted to the strategic requirements of the war, as indicated to the Board by the Combined Chiefs of Staff, and to all relevant production factors. In this connection, the Board shall take account of the need for maximum utilization of the productive resources available to the United States, the British Commonwealth of Nations, and the United Nations, the need to reduce demands on shipping to a minimum, and the essential needs of the civilian populations.

"(b) In close collaboration with the Combined Chiefs of Staff, assure the continuous adjustment of the combined production program to meet changing military requirements.

"3. To this end, the Combined Chiefs of Staff and the Combined Munitions Assignments Board shall keep the Combined Production and Resources Board currently informed concerning military requirements, and the Combined Production and Resources Board shall keep the Combined Chiefs of Staff and the Combined Munitions Assignments Board currently informed concerning the facts and possibilities of production.

"4. To facilitate continuous operation, the members of the Board shall each appoint a Deputy; and the Board shall form a combined staff. The Board shall arrange for such conferences among United States and United Kingdom personnel as it may from time to time deem necessary or appropriate to study particular production needs; and utilize the Joint War Production Staff in London, the Combined Raw Materials Board, the Joint Aircraft Committee, and other existing combined or national agencies for war production in such manner and to such extent as it shall deem necessary."

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The text of the memorandum to Secretary Wickard follows.

"By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and as President of the United States, and acting jointly and in full accord with the Prime Minister of Great Britain, I hereby authorize, on the part of the Government of the United States, the creation of a joint Great Britain-United States board to be known as the Combined Food Board.

"In order to coordinate further the prosecution of the war effort by obtaining a planned and expeditious utilization of the food resources of the United Nations, there is hereby established a Combined Food Board.

"The Board will be composed of the Secretary of Agriculture and of the Head of the British Food Mission who will represent and act under the instruction of the Minister of Food.

"The duties of the Board shall be:

"To consider, investigate, enquire into, and formulate plans with regard to any question in respect of which the Governments of the U. S. A. and the U. K. have, or may have, a common concern, relating to the supply, production, transportation, disposal, allocation or distribution, in or to any part of the world, of foods, agricultural materials from which foods are derived, and equipment and non-food materials ancillary to the production of such foods and agricultural materials, and to make recommendations to the Governments of the U. S. A. and the U. K. in respect of any such question.

"To work in collaboration with others of the United Nations toward the best utilization of their food resources, and, in collaboration with the interested nation or nations, to formulate plans and recommendations for the development, expansion, purchase, or other effective use of their food resources.

"The Board shall be entitled to receive from any Agency of the Government of the United States and any Department of the Government of the United Kingdom, any information available to such Agency or Department relating to any matter with regard to which the Board is competent to make recommendations to those Governments, and in principle, the entire food resources of Great Britain and the United States will be deemed to be in a common pool, about which the fullest information will be interchanged."

XLIX. GERMAN SUBMARINE ZONE OF OPERATIONS

(New York Times, June 14, 1942)

A statement broadcast from Berlin and recorded by the Columbia Broadcasting Company described a submarine "zone of operations" extending to the American coast, indicating a new threat of undersea warfare.

The German statement said that "Every ship which enters this zone after June 26, 1942 will expose itself to destruction." The Berlin radio acknowledged openly that the announcement was in answer to the Allied threat of a second front, which was ridiculed as "a declaration on paper."

Excerpts from the Nazi broadcast follow:

"As a result of the entry into the war of the United States of America and the development which naval warfare has undergone off the American east coast, the zone of operation in which fighting may be expected has been extended to the American coast.

"Every ship which enters this zone after June 26, 1942, will expose itself to destruction.

"The German Government, therefore, warns all ships against navigating in this danger zone, which has been demarcated as follows:

"From the Belgian coast 3 degrees E, over 52 degrees N., 3 degrees E, and 68 degrees N., 10 degrees W. to the coast

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