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dations to be submitted, in the first instance, to the American and British Governments, and in the second instance, to the President.

#### **XL. COOPERATION WITH FRENCH NATIONAL COMMITTEE REGARDING TERRITORIES IN AFRICA**

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In view of the importance of French Equatorial Africa in the united war effort, the decision has been taken to establish an American Consulate General at Brazzaville, the capital of French Equatorial Africa. Arrangements are under way with the appropriate authorities looking to the establishment of this office and to the appointment of Mr. Maynard Barnes, American Foreign Service officer, as Consul General. Mr. Barnes will proceed to Brazzaville at the expiration of leave of absence in the United States. In the meanwhile, Mr. Lawrence Taylor, who has recently returned from French Equatorial Africa, will proceed to Brazzaville to establish the office.

As has been previously stated, this Government has treated with the French authorities in effective control of French territories in Africa and will continue to treat with them on the basis of their actual administration of the territories involved. The French territories of Equatorial Africa and the French Cameroons are under the effective control of the French National Committee established in London, and the United States authorities are cooperating on matters relating to these territories with the authorities established by the French National Committee.