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which Mr. Harry Hopkins is the chairman and *Major Gen. James H. Burns, the executive*, and which has its counterpart in London, both with British and United States membership. These proposals of these committees will be submitted to the combined Chiefs of Staff for their recommendation to the heads of their governments.

Mr. Hopkins's committee will also be established in the Public Health Building. In the same building will be representatives of the central agency to allocate shipping and of the agency to allocate raw material. Officers of other governments of the United Nations will be established in the same building.

#### **XXXV. COORDINATION OF BRITISH AND AMERICAN ECONOMIC WARFARE PROCEDURES**

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Arrangements have been made between the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom for the coordination and simplification of their respective economic warfare procedures.

Heretofore it has been necessary for exporters sending goods from the United States to certain countries in Europe, Africa, and the Near East, or to their colonial possessions, to obtain two documents—an American export license and a British navicert. On April 1, 1942 a new arrangement will come into effect under which only one document, the American export license, need be obtained. British consuls in the United States will not issue navicerts for exports to be shipped from this country after April 1.

Export licenses issued by the Board of Economic Warfare before March 1 will be invalid after April 10, whether shipment is by freight, parcel post, or mail, to the following destinations: French West Africa, French North Africa, Iran, Iraq, Eire, Liberia, Madagascar, Portugal, Portuguese Atlantic islands, Portuguese Guinea, Reunion, Spain, Syria, Spanish Atlantic islands, Spanish Morocco and Tangier, Sweden, Switzerland, and Turkey.

Applications for export licenses for goods to be exported to these destinations after April 1 will be received by the Board of Economic Warfare on and after March 1. Under the new procedure export licenses for these destinations will be issued on a quarterly basis. Detailed regulations are being issued by the Board of Economic Warfare to which all inquiries should be addressed.

Beginning April 1 certificates fulfilling the purpose now fulfilled by ship navicerts will be issued by United States collectors of customs to vessels leaving United States ports. Issuance of ship navicerts by British consular officers will accordingly be discontinued as of that date.

#### **XXXVI. U. S. ASSISTANCE IN DEFENSE OF CURAÇAO AND ARUBA**

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The United States Government at the request of the Netherlands Government has sent a contingent of the United States Army to Curaçao and Aruba to assist the Dutch armed forces in the defense of these islands and the oil refineries thereon, which are vital to the war effort of