

a system of law which has enabled the States to live at peace with one another except for one tragic occasion.

3. From the birth of American as a new nation to the day of Woodrow Wilson, we relied on a system of alliance with other nations and groups of nations to maintain international law, but this proved unsatisfactory, being subject to the same defects as the original inter-state alliance or Articles of Confederation.

4. The League of Nations which held out so much promise failed because of our unwillingness to enter into this effort to establish international law with the result that the League was just as ineffective as the Articles of Confederation had been.

5. The system of alliances and treaties following the first world war failed to establish a stable system of world law and so led to the great conflict.

6. The United Nations organization is at present unable to provide for harmonious world relations because of its lack of power to be effective.

7. The Atlantic Charter is a reversion to the old system of alliances and treaties which can establish international law and order only so long as the balance of power remains with the Charter group; and

WHEREAS, the above recited history shows that "neighboring nations are natural enemies of each other unless their common weakness"—the atom bomb today—"forces them to league in a confederate republic and their constitution" governs the differences which arise among them; and

WHEREAS, the history of Great Britain, which was formerly made up of constantly fighting separate nations who stopped their armed conflicts after the union of Scotland and England, and the history of other more ancient confederate governments all show how effective international law can be when constitutionally established; and

WHEREAS, by their conduct and example, the American States have shown that "societies of men" are "capable of establishing a good government from reflection and choice" rather than being "forever destined to depend for their political constitutions on accident and force"; and

WHEREAS, a growing number of the United States of America believe that international law can be established only with