



I. Preamble

WHEREAS, there is an obvious need for international monetary cooperation to provide for stability of exchange rates and to provide an orderly method for their determination; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to shorten the periods and lessen the degree of disequilibrium in the international balance of payments of cooperating countries; and

WHEREAS, international monetary cooperation should help create conditions under which the smooth flow of foreign trade and of productive capital among the cooperating countries will be fostered; and

WHEREAS, international monetary cooperation should facilitate the effective utilization of the blocked foreign balances accumulating in some countries as a consequence of the war situation; and

WHEREAS, international monetary cooperation should contribute to the re-establishment and development of a multilateral trading system and to the elimination of discriminatory trading and currency practices; and

WHEREAS, international currency stability is essential to reconstruction in the post-war period; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that a high level of production and employment in each cooperating country is necessary to the economic stability of other cooperating countries and that each country should direct its domestic economic policy toward the maintenance of these conditions; and

WHEREAS, any machinery for international currency stability should facilitate the maintenance of a high level of production and employment in each cooperating country.

NOW, THEREFORE, the following draft outline of a proposal for a United and Associated Nations Stabilisation Fund is submitted.