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many, to Japan and to Italy, the chance of future wars would be reduced to a minimum so long as the other contracting nations keep the faith. As it is obvious that they themselves would not go to war with each other and by refusing jointly and severally to aid an aggressor nation, they would thereby make any war between two lesser nations virtually a local affair.

"Finally there is the desirability and importance of having the United States resume the position of emphatic leadership in all that promotes international peace and understanding, a leadership it took and held under McKinley and Hay, Roosevelt and Root, and Taft and Knox. The adoption of this reso-

lution would place our own government in the position of offering a practicable plan to any other nation of the same mind to put war outside the pale as between itself and the United States.

"Within the next year, in February, June and August, the treaties of arbitration with France, Great Britain and Japan expire by their own terms. The adoption of this resolution opens the way for treaties in their place renouncing war between these important nations. Here is a vital matter. We have here a great opportunity to live up to our highest American traditions in this resolution to renounce war. We should make the most of it."

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To prohibit the exportation of arms, munitions, or implements of war to certain foreign countries.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it is hereby declared to be the policy of the United States to prohibit the exportation of arms, munitions or implements of war to any country which engages in aggressive warfare against any other country in violation of a treaty, convention, or other agreement to resort to arbitration or other peaceful means for the settlement of international controversies.

Sec. 2. Whenever the President determines that any country has violated any such treaty, convention, or agreement by engaging in aggressive warfare against any other country, and makes proclamation thereof, it shall be unlawful, until otherwise proclaimed by the President, or provided by act

of Congress, to export any arms, munitions or implements of war from any place in the United States or any possession thereof to such country, or to any other country if the ultimate destination of such arms, munitions, or implements of war is the country so violating any such treaty, convention or agreement.

Sec. 3. Whoever exports any arms, munitions, or implements of war in violation of Section 2 of this Resolution, shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$10,000. or by imprisonment not exceeding two years, or both. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to report any violation of Section 2 of this Resolution to the United States District Attorney for the district wherein the violation is alleged to have been committed.