

At an adjourned meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Governor at 12:30 p. m. on Friday, October 8,

PRESENT:

Mr. Hamlin, presiding	Mr. Warburg
Mr. Delano	Mr. Harding
Mr. Williams	Mr. Willis, Secretary.

Mr. Hamlin reported that a meeting of the Committee on Open Market Operations had been held since the adjournment of the morning meeting of the Board, and that the committee had agreed to present to the Board a majority and a minority report.

On behalf of the majority of the committee, Mr. Harding presented as its report a modified form of the proposed letter to Federal reserve agents which had been read at the morning meeting, recommending that the same be transmitted to Federal reserve agents, and that it be considered as in lieu of formal regulations on open market powers.

Mr. Hamlin presented as a minority report the recommendation that the Board proceed to the formulation

of a regular circular and regulation relating to open market operations, the same to be promulgated at once. It being agreed that the minority report should be regarded as a substitute offered for the majority report of the committee then before the Board, a vote on the minority report was called for, and resulted as follows:

Affirmative, Mr. Hamlin, Mr. Williams.

Negative, Mr. Harding, Mr. Warburg, Mr. Delano.

So the minority report of the committee was rejected.

The question recurring on the report of the majority and the consequent authorization to issue the proposed letter to Federal reserve agents relating to open market purchases under Section 14, the proposed draft was put to a vote and declared unanimously adopted. //

On motion at 1:00 p. m. the Board adjourned to meet on Tuesday, October 12, at 11:00 a. m.

APPROVED:

H. Parker Willis
Secretary.

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Chairman.