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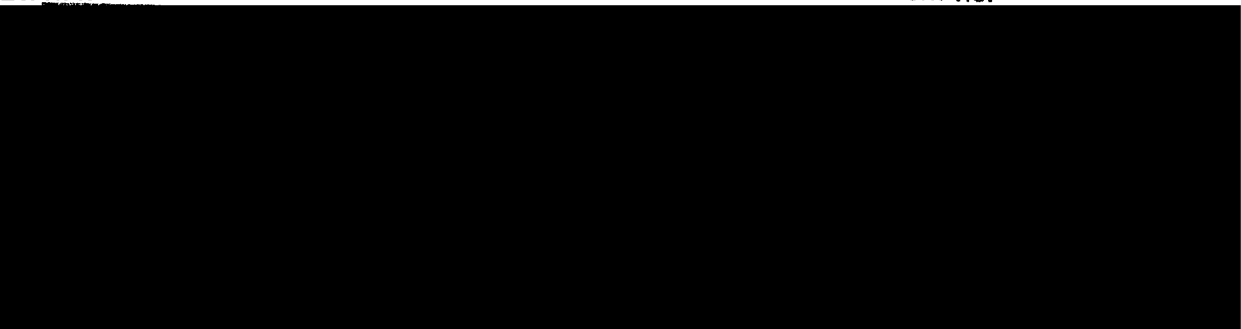
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1. Before Dr. Beel left for The Hague, Sjahrir told Anak Agung Gde Agung in a secret conference that the United States was working through the UN for its own profit, and that if matters continue in this direction the United States would succeed in replacing the Dutch economic control with a monopolistic arrangement of their own and Indonesia would find herself in the same economic position as she was before.
2. In view of this, Sjahrir suggested to Agung a plan which Agung was to present to Beel. In substance the plan provided for the granting of immediate sovereignty to Indonesia, with the military, economic and financial position so modified as to be acceptable to the Republic, but leaving the authoritative strings legally held by the Dutch.
3. Agung presented these suggestions to Beel in such a way as to give the impression that they were his ideas. Beel departed for The Hague with the plan and presented it there and this is the plan that is now known as the "Beel Plan."
4. Sjahrir's machinations did not end here. He then had Agung make his first speech advocating cooperation with the Dutch. When Beel left The Hague, Sjahrir had Agung make a second speech advocating following the UN.
5. Sjahrir's objective is to confuse the political situation and bring about a division of political thought among the Federalists, Republicans and Dutch to such an extent that he can emerge as a neutral force on which all political groups can depend. Such a situation would give Sjahrir's Socialist Party a superb opportunity for expansion.

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