be employed in connection with any factory ship or land station with a view to further limitation of the destruction of whales.

7. The Governments are also recommended to take powers, if they do not already possess them, to prohibit whaling entirely in any area of the sea either permanently or for a limited period. It is felt that it may be desirable, in the light of experience gained, to close permanently areas which may be proved to be calving areas, or to close from year to year selected areas of the Antarctic Ocean or elsewhere for the purpose of giving to the whales a sanctuary in which they may escape molestation.

8. The Conference also recommends that the Governments should place themselves in a position to regulate the methods of killing whales. Under existing methods of whaling, whales may be fatally injured, but lost owing to defects in the guns or harpoons in use, including the propelling and bursting charges. This involves waste of whales. It is suggested that it may prove desirable so to regulate the methods of taking whales as to ensure that, by the use of suitable explosive charges, or by the use of a harpoon electrically charged, the whale when hit may be speedily killed and wastage thus avoided. Moreover, a regulation of this character may be expected to abate something of the undoubted cruelty of present methods of whaling.

9. The Conference further recommends that the contracting Governments should take steps to prevent this Agreement and any regulations made thereunder from being defeated by the transfer of ships registered in their territories to the Flag of another Government not a party to this Agreement, and suggests that for this purpose it might

af Hvaler, at begrænse Antallet af Hvalfangere, som maa benyttes i Forbindelse med et flydende Kogeri eller en Landstation.

7. Det anbefales ligeledes Regeringerne at forskaffe sig Fuldmagt, dersom de ikke allerede har den, til helt at forbyde Hvalfangst i et Havomraade enten til Stadighed eller for et bestemt Tidsrum. Man er af den Formening, at det muligvis vil vise sig ønskeligt efter indvundne Erfaringer til Stadighed at lukke Omraader, som viser sig at være Ynglepladser, eller fra Aar til Aar at lukke særlige Omraader af det antarktiske Ocean eller andre Havomraader med det Formaal at give Hvalerne et Tilflugtssted, hvor de kan undgaa at blive efterstræbt.

8. Konferencen anbefaler endvidere, at Regeringerne skaber sig Mulighed for at give nærmere Regler for de forskellige Metoder for Drab af Hvaler. De nuværende Metoder for Hvalfangst kan medføre, at Hvaler bliver dødeligt saaret, men gaar tabt paa Grund af Mangler ved de benyttede Kanoner eller Harpuner, herunder Mangler ved Skrue- eller Sprængstofprojektiler. Dette medfører Tab af Hvaler. Det henstilles, hvorvidt det maatte være ønskeligt at regulere de forskellige Metoder for Hvalfangst, saaledes at man ved Hjælp af passende eksplosive Projektiler eller ved Hjælp af Harpuner med elektrisk Ladning kan sikre sig, at Hvalen, naar den er truffet, bliver dræbt hurtigt, saaledes at Spild undgaas. Desuden maa en saadan Regulering antages i nogen Grad at ville formindske de nuværende Hvalfangstmetoders utvivlsomme Grusomhed.

9. Konferencen anbefaler endvidere, at de kontraherende Regeringer foretager Skridt til at forhindre, at denne Overenskomst eller de Bestemmelser, der er fastsat i Henhold til den, bliver gjort virkningsløse derved, at Skibe, der er registreret i deres Territorium, overføres til at sejle under et Flag tilhørende en Regering, der ikke er