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His Majesty's Government are no doubt aware that apart from political considerations retention of Vorarlberg is of great importance to Austria. District is rich in cattle and other agricultural resources and has important textile industry with much water power. Moreover its situation on Boden See will give Austria an outlet to Rhine where upper waters are made navigable. District is in fact for its size perhaps the most important included in new Austria.



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Apart from political considerations, Vorarlberg is of economic value to Austria. Moreover its situation on Boden See will give Austria outlet to Rhine.

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It is hard to see how the Supreme Council can prevent this separatist movement in Vorarlberg unless perhaps by a formal statement that the treaty frontiers must be maintained & all who attempt to transgress them will be severely dealt with. The Vorarlberg people might be induced to stick to Austria if they saw some hope of Allied financial & economic aid to Austria. Ought this to be brought up before the Supreme Council?

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