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F I N D I N G S  
OF THE REGIONAL CONFERENCE  
ON WORK AMONG  
WOMEN AND GIRLS SECTION  
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EAST LONDON  
APRIL 5th, 1935  
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The following resolutions were taken seriatim and after brief discussions and minor alterations were adopted unanimously:-

1. This Regional Conference is impressed by the deplorably backward health conditions among Non-Europeans, both in rural and urban areas. It therefore eagerly awaits the announcement of the Government's proposals for a national scheme of medical and health services in which the Conference hopes the Non-European communities will be provided for.
2. The Conference also draws the attention of municipalities to the importance of health and social welfare work among Non-Europeans and the great benefits derived from the employment of trained Non-European nurses and midwives to engage in general health and child welfare work and the propagation of health and knowledge among their own people.
3. The Conference also urges Joint Councils and other bodies to secure the co-operation of such bodies as Child Welfare Societies, Red Cross and St. John Ambulance branches in health and welfare work among Non-Europeans.
4. This Conference strongly recommends the establishment in every locality of employment committees for Non-European

juveniles on the lines of the Juvenile Affairs Boards, and that these committees give special attention to the suitable employment and remuneration of young women trained for domestic service, and also to institute, where necessary, simple forms of training to help girls desiring employment in domestic service. The Conference asks branches of the N.C.W., Joint Councils and similar bodies to take the initiative in this matter in their own localities.

5. All hospitals capable of training Non-European young women as nurses and midwives should be urged to register as training schools to provide such training and to send their pupil nurses in for the examinations of the Medical Council.

6. All hospitals capable of using services of Non-European nurses in their Non-European wards should be (a) urged to employ such nurses, and (b) if such nurses be employed provide salary, accommodation and conditions suitable to their proper status as trained nurses.

7. Consideration should be given by the various societies represented to the possibilities for the foundation of hostels for Native girls in their area.

8. Where Non-European child welfare is not otherwise catered for local child welfare societies should be asked to accept the responsibility for Non-European child welfare, and that bodies interested in Non-European welfare should be asked to co-operate and that the full co-operation of Non-European workers should be enlisted for this work.

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