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Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia and New Zealand
and the Government of Iceland

for the further

Renewal of the Arbitration Convention of October 25, 1905

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENTS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, CANADA, THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ICELAND FOR THE FURTHER RENEWAL OF THE ARBITRATION CONVENTION OF OCTOBER 25, 1905.

London, October 10, 1935.

No. 1.

Count Ahlefeldt Laurvig to Sir Samuel Hoare.

Danish Legation,

London, October 10, 1935.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to inform you that the Government of Iceland desire that the Anglo-Danish Arbitration Convention signed in London on the 25th October, 1905, and last renewed on the 4th June, 1926, should be regarded as having been renewed for a further period of five years from the 4th May, 1931, in respect of Iceland on the one hand, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand and all parts of the British Empire which are not separate members of the League of Nations on the other.

2. It will be understood that in place of reference to the Permanent Court of Arbitration, as provided for in Articles 1 and 2 of the aforesaid Convention of the 25th October, 1905, the reference shall, in any case arising, be made to the Permanent Court of International Justice in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Statutes of that Court and in the Rules of Court adopted thereunder.

3. If this proposal is agreeable to His Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom, Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia and New Zealand, I have the honour to suggest that the present note and your reply in similar terms be regarded as constituting a formal agreement between His Majesty's Governments aforesaid, on the one hand, and the Government of Iceland on the other.

I have, &c.

(For Iceland),

P. AHLEFELDT LAURVIG.

No. 2.

Sir Samuel Hoare to Count Ahlefeldt Laurvig.

Sir,

Foreign Office, October 10, 1935.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note of to-day's date informing me that the Government of Iceland desire that the Anglo-Danish Convention signed in London on the 25th October, 1905, and last renewed on the 4th June, 1926, should be regarded as having been renewed in respect of Iceland for a further period of five years to date from the 4th May, 1931.

2. In reply, I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland agree that the said Arbitration Convention of 1905 shall be regarded as having been renewed for a period of five years to date from the 4th May, 1931, in respect of the United Kingdom, and all parts of the British Empire which are not separate members of the League of Nations, on the one hand, and Iceland on the other. I have the honour, also, to inform you that His Majesty's Governments in Canada, in the Commonwealth of Australia and in New Zealand agree that the said Arbitration Convention of 1905 shall be regarded as having been renewed in the same manner and for the same period in respect of Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, and New Zealand, respectively, on the one hand, and Iceland on the other.

3. It will be understood that in place of reference to the Permanent Court of Arbitration, as provided for in Articles 1 and 2 of the aforesaid Convention of the 25th October, 1905, the reference shall, in any case arising, be made to the Permanent Court of International Justice in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Statutes of that Court adopted thereunder.

4. The present note and your note to which I have the honour to reply will be regarded as constituting a formal agreement to the above effect between His Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom, Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, and New Zealand, on the one hand, and the Government of Iceland on the other.

I have, &c.

SAMUEL HOARE.