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INWARD TELEGRAM

O.D.

FROM: AUSTRALIA (GOVT.)

TO: WASHINGTON (AUSTRALIAN LEGATION)
TOKYO (BRIT. COMMONWEALTH REP.)
D.O.
NEW ZEALAND (GOVT.)

S. 18th Sept., 1946. 9.30 p.m.
R. 18th " " 3.45 p.m.

MOST IMMEDIATE.

No. 335.

Addressed to Australian Legation Washington No. 1326, repeated British Commonwealth Representative Tokyo No. 102, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs No. 335, External Wellington No. 243.

For Makin from Svatt. Reference Washington 1222. Japanese whaling.

Please approach State Department and make urgent representations along following lines.

1. If United States feels that our request for Allied expedition would involve delay and other difficulties, it should be a S.C.A.P. expedition, completely manned by Allied crews. Australia is in a position to provide at least a substantial proportion of crews. It seems certain that, in conjunction, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand and Norway could provide total complement. It is understood that the vessels could be suitable to use by non-Japanese crews. We would in any case stipulate

(a) that these arrangements will be confined to the one season 1946/47.

(b) that early consideration will be given to the prohibition of Japanese participation in whaling in the Antarctic, at least for the duration of the occupation.

(c) that Japanese whaling facilities will be subject to consideration, not only in connection with reparations, but also the prospective peace settlement.

2. In connection with the S.C.A.P. order of 23rd August authorising the conversion of a tanker, it is understood that the United Kingdom Ambassador has been instructed to inform the State Department urgently of United Kingdom dissatisfaction with this development, and to endeavour to secure

(a) cancellation of the S.C.A.P. order of 23rd August.

(b) issue of instruction to S.C.A.P. that no further decision affecting whaling should be taken without prior consultation. It is desired that you make similar representations to the State Department.

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SPECIAL (ECONOMIC SUPPLY AND RELIEF)

FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO WASHINGTON

No. 8406

D. 6.07 p.m. 26th August, 1946

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26th August, 1946

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IMMEDIATE

My telegram No. 8297 (of 22nd August: Japanese whaling).

1. Australian Government, through their representative in London, have made urgent request to us that, since they have not yet had time for adequate consideration of proposals contained in my telegram under reference, approach to State Department should not (repeat not) be made until they have been able to send specific (repeat specific) instructions to their representative in Washington.

2. Meantime, they have asked that suggestion in paragraph 3(b) of my telegram under reference should in any case be omitted from eventual approach to United States authorities.

3. In these circumstances, please defer approach to State Department pending further instructions.

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CYPIER (TYPEX)

O. D.

FROM: NEW ZEALAND (GOVT.)
TO: WASHINGTON (NEW ZEALAND LEGATION)
BY: B. O.
AUSTRALIA (GOVT.)

D. 28th Aug., 1946. 7.50 P.M.
R. 28th " " 10.55 P.M.

IMMEDIATE
No. 233 SECRET.

Addressed Totara Washington No. 553, repeated Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs No. 233, External Canberra No. 164.

Our telegram No. 543, repeated External Canberra No. 159, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs No. 226. Whaling.

We have just received from External Canberra telegram No. 239, addressed Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs No. 326, and repeated Australian Embassy Washington No. 1247. Text should be available to you. Australian comment is in line with our observations in first paragraph of our telegram No. 543, and, unless otherwise instructed, you should consider yourself free to support any modification which may be made in United Kingdom's proposed representation to State Department as a result of Australian comment.

Copy to:-

- Cabinet Office
- Foreign Office
- India Office
- Colonial Office
- Burma Office
- Treasury
- S. Africa House
- M/Agric. & Fish
(Fisheries Section)
- M/food
- M/transport
- Canada House
- Foreign Office

- Brig. A.T. Cornwall-Jones
- Mrs. H.D. Montgomery
- Sir B. Newton
- Mr. J.W. Hamilton
- Mr. D.F. McBerrett
- Mr. C.T. Crowe
- Mr. E.P. Donaldson (2)
- Mr. W.W. Nind
- Mr. I. Watt
- Mr. A.P. Morley
- Miss Eyre Evans
- Mr. van der Post
- Mr. P.D. Dunn

- Comms. Divn. (3) (for atten:
of Mr. J.E. Wall)
- Mr. H.W. Hollyer
- Mr. P.T. Holson
- Mr. J.W. Herivel

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OUTWARD TELEGRAM

CYPER (SECRET)

G.D.

FROM: D.C.

TO: AUSTRALIA (GOVT.)
NEW ZEALAND "

(Sent 5.50 p.m. 27th Aug. 1946).

IMMEDIATE

No. 297) SECRET.
No. 207)

My telegram No. 291 of 22nd August.
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Japanese whaling.

Following telegram from United Kingdom Liaison Mission in Japan repeated to you for information. Begins.

On August 22nd SCAP spokesman made statement to local press defending the proposal to use Japanese ships for whaling expedition in the Antarctic of which the following are the main points.

(a) Permission is for one operation only, purpose being to provide food for Japan and alleviate world shortage of whale oil and vitamin A.

(b) Oil is to be allocated by I.E.P.C. and meat to be used in Japan.

(c) United States Government authorized General MacArthur, if he deemed it advisable, to permit these temporary whaling operations.

(d) Decision has no bearing on future international matters dealing with Japanese whaling. Strictest observance of international whaling regulations was directed.

(e) "The operation infringes in no way upon the rights of any nation and no logical reason has as yet been advanced why this addition to food and whale oil supply should not be made available to an underfed world".

(f) Rivalry of commercial whaling interests is in no way affected by the proposal to utilise otherwise idle equipment and trained personnel.

(g) "This limited expedition can not be regarded in any sense as a Japanese enterprise as it is under the entire control and direction of the occupying authorities". Ends.

Copy to:-

Foreign Office
Canada House
S. Africa House

Mr. J.W. Herivel
Mr. P.T. Molson
Mr. A.P. Van der Post.

AIR MAIL.

Communications should be addressed to
THE SECRETARY.



Reference 19/88

Telephone: WHITEHALL 4485.

Telegraphic Address:—

"OPPOSITELY, LESQUARE, LONDON."

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Trafalgar Square,

LONDON, W.C.2.

SPRINGBOK AIRMAIL

The Secretary for External Affairs,
Pretoria.

19 OCT 1946

Whaling in Antarctic by Japan.

With further reference to my minute of the 20th August, 1946, I enclose for your information copies of further secret telegrams received from the Dominions Office:—

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Repeated</u>	<u>Number</u>
1. D.O.	Australia	New Zealand	297/207 ✓
2. New Zealand	Washington	D.O.	553/233/164
		Australia)	
3. Foreign Office	"	-	8406 ✓
4. Australia	"	Tokyo	1326/102/335/245
		D.O.	
		New Zealand)	
5. New Zealand	D.O.	Australia	245/173
6. D.O.	Australia	New Zealand	306/214
7. D.O.	"	"	315/227 ✓
8. D.O.	"	-	/314 ✓

E. K. SCALLAN

Secretary.

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24 SEP 1946

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OUTWARD TELEGRAM

V. 103/5

CYBER (TYPEX)

O.D.

FROM: D.O.
TO: AUSTRALIA (GOVT.)
RPTD: NEW ZEALAND "
WASHINGTON (U.S. EMBASSY)

(Sent 2.20 p.m. 24th Sept., 1946.)

IMMEDIATE

No. 320

No. 333

Addressed External Canberra No. 320, repeated to External Wellington No. 235 and United Kingdom Embassy Washington for Australian Embassy.

Your telegram No. 335 paragraph 1. Japanese Whaling.

While fully sympathising with your desire to exclude Japanese crews from present expedition, we fear that practical considerations make complete manning with Allied crews impossible. Although vessels would provide adequate accommodation for a small number of non-Japanese, substantial alterations would be required to fit them for complete non-Japanese crews. Even though expedition has now been postponed for one month, time would probably be too short for this. Furthermore, Norwegians will not serve if any Japanese are employed; and we could not dispense with Japanese gunners, since Norwegian gunners would not in any case be permitted by Norwegian law to serve except under a company previously engaged in whaling.

2. Even if these difficulties could be overcome (e.g. by Norwegians providing crews for the catchers, and Australia and New Zealand crews manning the factory ships, leaving the transports to be manned by Japanese) very complicated transport problems would arise and expedition would probably have to put into an Australian port. Japanese displaced by Norwegian, Australian and New Zealand personnel (if available) would then have to be repatriated.

3. Time available in which to make these arrangements would be very short even if all parties agreed in principle without delay. In the present situation of acute shortage of oils and fats, we feel we could not justify a situation which might reduce the amount of oil available for international allocation by increased delay to the ships. While, therefore, we see no objection to Australian representative in Washington seeking United States consent to proposal for all-Allied crews, we trust that you will also give him discretion to support as an alternative the suggestions put forward in my telegram No. 315 (Foreign Office telegram No. 9071 to Washington.)

4. This telegram has been repeated to Tokyo.

AIR MAIL.

Communications should be addressed to
THE SECRETARY.

19/88.

Reference

Telephone: W. AALL 4486.
Telegraphic Address:—
"OPPOSITELY, LESQUARE, LONDON."



SPRINGBOK.

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA,
Trafalgar Square,
LONDON, W.C.2

19 OCT 1946

Secretary for External Affairs,
PRETORIA.

C. D.

Whaling in Antarctic by Japan.

With further reference to my minute
of the 20th August, I enclose for your
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received from the Dominions Office :-

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Number</u>
1. D. O.	Australia.	320 ✓ No. 509
2. New Zealand	D. O.	254 ✓ Washington

2. While we are in favour of every effort being made to find complete allied crews for these vessels it would appear from your last message No. E. K. SCALLAN that it will not be possible. We would expect that some suitable personnel could be found from New Zealand but numbers could not be estimated until conditions of service are known. It will be made.

Secretary.



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licence fees to British whaling vessels in order to provide the salaries and expenses of Inspectors we feel that the salaries and all other expenses of these Inspectors should be met from the proceeds of the voyage. It is not possible to provide rations for so long a period particularly as the Inspectors will have to travel by air. We suggest that in the circumstances S.C.A.P. should be asked to provide rations on the same scale as for the American Inspectors. We can provide other necessary equipment. We should like earliest information as to date when and place where Inspectors are to report so that necessary transport can be arranged;

(b) we would prefer that the August 23rd directive should be cancelled for reasons given in my telegram No. 9689, but you need not press this point;

(c) we agree to drop the proposal for a quota for each factory ship, but we attach importance to point made in paragraph 3(d) of our telegram No. 9071;

(d) State Department presumably agree with points in paragraphs 3(b) and (c) of my telegram No. 9071.

3. We are informing Dominions and Norwegian Governments of our views and are expressing the hope that they will also be prepared to appoint an Inspector or Inspectors to join the expedition. Ends.

I represent are concerned with SCALLAN as the Four Governments which Commander any kind of help and any kind of advice that he might find useful. Moreover, it has been a great fortune to meet the leaders of some of these missions, the missions which you refer to, General Pechkoff and General Schilling, and I cannot but feel that their advice would be of very great value and of very great interest to all Members of the Council. On the other hand I do feel that the proposal you put forward does mean a substantial change in the terms of reference of this Council and I really feel it is (correct group?) such an important change that it should be a matter for consultation between the Governments who were parties to the Moscow Conference. I feel that it is not the kind of proposal that can be properly discussed or decided in this Council.

4. Derevyanko repeated that this problem was not within the purview of the Council. The Council was not intended to (correct group revise) decisions taken by the Foreign Ministers. He could not personally take part in any discussion of this question and he insisted that it be taken by the agents.

5. Acheson replied, "I am of course disappointed in the response which this proposal has received. General MacArthur will also be disappointed. I think that the Council is missing a great opportunity for usefulness."

6. Derevyanko repeated his request that MacArthur "informs the Council of his reactions to the Council's advice". I supported Derevyanko in principle. Acheson replied that if the Supreme Commander consulted and advised with the Council in accordance with terms of reference it was unnecessary and impracticable for him to give the Council a subsequent explanation of his reasons for accepting or rejecting their advice. Ends.

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CYPHER (TYPEX)

O. D.

FROM: D.O.
TO: AUSTRALIA (GOVT.)
NEW ZEALAND "

(Sent 5.00 p.m. 19th Oct., 1946.)

No. 343 SECRET
No. 264 "

Addressed to Commonwealth of Australia No. 343, New Zealand No. 264.

My immediately preceding telegram. Japanese Whaling.

Following is text of further telegram from United Kingdom Ambassador Washington No. 5084 of 15th October. Begins.

Your telegram No. 9689.

In our aide-memoire of October 14th we drew State Department's attention to several points mentioned in your telegram No. 9071 and your telegram under reference which did not appear to us to be covered in State Department's reply of October 3rd (my telegram No. 5985). Items referred to were: ensuring extraction of all oil, restriction of catching period, weekly radio report of catch, cancellation of SCAP's directive of August 23rd, appointment of Allied Inspectors.

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3. We also discussed authority to be given to Inspectors. State Department had already written fully to SCAP on this subject and it was thought satisfactory arrangements could be made.

4. Norwegian, Australian and New Zealand colleagues have been kept fully informed. Ends.

This crossed telegram to His Majesty's Ambassador, Washington, No. 9872 sent on 16th October, which reads: Begins:

Your telegram No. 5985 crossed my telegram No. 9689 (Japanese Whaling).

State Department's reply is satisfactory in the circumstances and appears to meet us on the main points at issue. I hope you will express to Allison our appreciation of what he has been able to do.

2. You should inform State Department that we are now prepared to waive our objections to the proposed expedition on the basis of State Department's note. We have, however, the following comments:-

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Meanwhile, United Kingdom Government received from His Majesty's Ambassador Washington a telegram No. 5985, despatched on 9th October, giving State Department's reply to United Kingdom Government's representations, and stating that "Australian and New Zealand representatives have received replies from State Department on much the same lines".

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20 OCT 1946

Telephone No. HALL 445

Telegraphic Address

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OUTWARD TELEGRAM

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GYPHER (TYPEX)

O.D.

FROM: D.O.
TO: AUSTRALIA (GOVT.)
NEW ZEALAND "

(Sent 3.50 p.m. 19th Oct., 1946.)

IMPORTANT
No. 342 SECRET
No. 263 "

Addressed to Commonwealth of Australia No. 342, New Zealand No. 263. My telegram Commonwealth of Australia No. 315, New Zealand No. 227, of 19th September. Japanese Whaling.

Following telegram No. 9689 was despatched to His Majesty's United Kingdom Ambassador Washington 9th October. Begins.

Your telegram No. 5828 of September 27th: Japanese whaling.

We have held our hands since we were awaiting promised State Department reply to us and Australian views on your telegram under reference. Since we have heard from neither following are our views on assumption that United States reply to us follows similar lines to those in your telegram under reference.

2. We note that Americans do not agree that expedition should be Allied or that ships should be manned by Allied crews. You will have seen from our telegram 9288 that we do not believe latter requirement to be feasible and we do not think we should press these points further. Proposal made in paragraph 3(a) of my telegram No. 9071 has, however, not yet been transmitted to State Department and we consider you should make this suggestion.

3. We note with satisfaction assurances that expedition will conform fully to international whaling conventions, that all oil will be allocated by I. E. F. C. and that ultimate disposal of equipment is for Allied consultation. We are also glad to see from your despatch No. 2321 that United States Government agree that future of Japanese whaling is for Allied discussion and decision. We attach great importance to latter word. We would however prefer that directive of August 23rd should be cancelled pending a decision on the future of Japanese whaling, since conversion of the tanker is presumably continuing and this would tend to prejudge the issue.

4. As regards British inspectors, you should urge desirability of appointment of inspectors of other nationalities than American, i.e. Australian and Norwegian as well as United Kingdom. You should not press for United Kingdom inspectors alone as only one of these available has had previous experience. If State Department are not prepared to agree to this, point 3(b), (c) and (d) of my telegram No. 9071 become particularly important and we must insist on their observance in any event. They should not cause difficulty if the Americans are really prepared to abide by the whaling agreements.

5. Please approach State Department on the above lines as soon as you receive reply to your original representations. If, however, reply is likely to be delayed you should speak to them on the lines of my telegram No. 9071. Ends.

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INWARD TELEGRAM

O.D.

Telephone: V. (TYPEX)
Telegraphic
"OPPOSITE"

FROM: AUSTRALIA (GOVT.)

TO: D.O.

RPTD: NEW ZEALAND (GOVT.)

NEW DELHI (GOVT.)

WASHINGTON (AUSTRALIAN LEGATION)

D. 27th Aug., 1946, 4.30 p.m.

R. 27th " " 1.25 p.m.

No.315

Addressed Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs No.315, repeated External Wellington No.228, Gov. of India, New Delhi, No.82, Australian Legation, Washington, No.1245.

McMahon Ball reported as follows on 13th Meeting of A.C.J.held 21st August. Begins.

1. At beginning of to-day's Council Meeting, Acheson asked Members for their reactions to the proposal that the Council be enlarged by inviting representatives of the countries which had taken part in the Pacific War and which had missions in Tokyo to participate informally and unofficially in Council discussions.
2. Chu (corrupt group ?noted) that the proposal meant a definite change in spirit and substance of the terms of reference but that his Government saw no objection to inviting a representative of any Allied Power to join in Council discussions on a particular subject with which his country was directly concerned if the Chairman considered such an invitation necessary and it were supported by the majority of the Council.
3. I said, "I appreciate very fully the Supreme Commander's desire to share his very heavy responsibilities with all those Powers who have taken part in the Pacific War and so far as the Four Governments which I represent are concerned each is most anxious to give the Supreme Commander any kind of help and any kind of advice that he might find useful. Moreover, it has been my good fortune to meet the leaders of some of these missions, the missions which you refer to, General Pechkoff and General Schilling, and I cannot but feel that their advice would be of very great value and of very great interest to all Members of the Council. On the otherhand I do feel that the proposal you put forward does mean a substantial change in the terms of reference of this Council and I really feel it is (corrupt group ?such) an important change that it should be a matter for consideration between the Governments who were parties to the Moscow agreements. I feel that it is not the kind of proposal that we can properly discuss or decide in this Council."
4. Derevyanko repeated his view that this problem was not within the purview of the Council since the Council was not qualified to (corrupt group ?revise) decisions taken by the Foreign Ministers. He could not personally take part in any discussion of the question and he insisted that it be taken off the agenda.
5. Acheson replied, "I am of course disappointed in the response which this proposal has received. General MacArthur will also be disappointed. I think that the Council is missing a great opportunity for usefulness."
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AIR MAIL.

Telephone: WHITEHALL 4488.

Telegraphic Address: "OPPOSITELY, LESQUARE, LONDON."



OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Trafalgar Square, LONDON, W.C.2.

COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY.

Reference

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SPRINGBOK AIRMAIL

29 OCT 1946

The Secretary for External Affairs, Pretoria.

Whaling in Antarctic by Japan.

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E. K. SCALLAN

Secretary.



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PN 107/5 old.

Telegrams and Telegraphic Address "NYWERCOM."

C.I.I.A.

Adresser asb. alle briewe aan die Sekretaris. All communications to be addressed to the Secretary.

Telephone 3-1381

Virwys in antwoord asb. na in reply please quote

No. H.N. 181. No. C.I.

UNIE VAN SUID-AFRIKA.—UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

DEPARTEMENT VAN HANDEL EN NYWERHEID, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES, SENTRAALSTRAAT 210, 216 CENTRAL STREET,

PRETORIA, 194.

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4 FEB 1947

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS : PRETORIA.

WHALING IN ANTARCTIC BY JAPAN.

I return herewith, as requested, the enclosures which accompanied your minute No. P.M. 107/5 of the 14th November, 1946.

The contents thereof have been noted with interest.

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A. D. Rowan
SECRETARY FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES.

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E. TEIXEIRA DE MATTOS.

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R. M. CAMPBELL.

For the Government of Norway:

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A. T. A. DOBSON.

J. E. DE WATTEVILLE.

For the Government of the United States of America:

REMINGTON KELLOGG.

IRA N. GABRIELSON.

<i>Signatory States</i>	<i>Date of Deposit of Instrument of Ratification</i>
United Kingdom	29th March, 1946.
Australia	23rd July, 1946.
New Zealand	7th March, 1946.
Union of South Africa	11th December, 1946.
Denmark	10th April, 1946.
France	24th October, 1946.
Norway	4th April, 1946.
United States	30th August, 1946.
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(2) The provisions of this Article and Articles 2, 3, 4, 6 (1), 6 (2) and 7 of the present Protocol shall, when instruments of ratification have been deposited by at least three signatory Governments, becoming binding on those Governments and shall become binding on each other Government which subsequently ratifies or accedes, on the date of the deposit of its instrument of ratification or notification of its accession.

(3) The ratification of or accession to the present Protocol by a Government which is not a party to the Principal Agreement and the Protocol of 1938 shall not become effective until such Government becomes a party to that Agreement and the Protocol of 1938.

ARTICLE 9

The present Protocol shall bear the date on which it is opened for signature and shall remain open for signature for a period of 14 days thereafter.

In witness whereof the undersigned plenipotentiaries being duly authorised to this end by their respective Governments have signed the present Protocol.

Done at London this 26th day of November, 1945, in a single copy which shall remain deposited in the archives of the Government of the United Kingdom, by whom certified copies will be transmitted to all the Governments referred to in the preamble.

For the Government of the Union of
South Africa:

A. P. VAN DER POST.

For the Government of the
Commonwealth of Australia:

J. S. DUNCAN.

For the Government of Canada:

VINCENT MASSEY.

For the Government of Denmark:

P. F. ERICHSEN.

For the Provisional Government of
the French Republic:

NOEL HENRY.

For the Government of the United
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ARTICLE 4

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(2) For the purposes of paragraph 1 of this Article blue whale units shall be calculated on the basis that one blue whale equals—

- (a) Two fin whales or
- (b) Two and a half hump back whales or
- (c) Six sei whales.

(3) Each contracting Government undertakes to ensure that the International Bureau for Whaling Statistics shall be provided, within two days after the end of each calendar week, with data on the number of blue whale units caught by each factory ship under the jurisdiction of the said Government in the area defined by Article 7 of the Principal Agreement. The Government of the United Kingdom shall consult from time to time with the International Bureau for Whaling Statistics and if it should appear that the annual quota provided by paragraph (1) of this Article may be reached before the 7th April, the International Bureau for Whaling Statistics shall be requested to determine, on the basis of the data provided, the date on which the annual quota of blue whale units shall be deemed to have been reached and to notify each contracting Government of that date not less than two weeks in advance thereof. The taking of baleen whales shall be illegal after the date so determined.

ARTICLE 5

The provisions of Article 3, paragraph (2), of the Protocol of 1938, regarding the operation of factory ships as land stations in the territorial waters of any contracting Government, shall not apply during the period from 1st May, 1947, to 31st October, 1947, inclusive.

ARTICLE 6

(1) In the present Protocol the following expressions shall have the meanings assigned to them in Article 18 of the Principal Agreement: "factory ship," "whalecatcher," "land station," "baleen whale," "blue whale," "hump back whale," "fin whale."

(2) Sei whale means, for the purposes of this Protocol, any whale known by the name of *balaenoptera borealis*, sei whale, Rudolphi's rorqual, pollack whale, or coalfish whale, and shall be taken to include *Balaenoptera brydei*, Bryde's whale.

(3) The expression "land station" shall, for the purposes of Article 5 of the present Protocol, include a factory ship the movements and anchorage of which are confined to the territorial waters of any contracting Government.

ARTICLE 7

(1) The present Protocol shall be ratified and the instruments of ratification deposited as soon as possible with the Government of the United Kingdom; and it shall be open to accession on behalf of any Government which is a party to the Principal Agreement and the Protocol of 1938 and has not signed the present Protocol.*

(2) Accession shall be effected by notification addressed to the Government of the United Kingdom.

(3) The Government of the United Kingdom shall inform the Governments which are parties or signatories to the present Protocol of all ratifications of this Protocol or accessions thereto.

* See list of ratifications and accessions on page 5.

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AMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT
OF 8TH JUNE, 1937, AND THE PROTOCOL
OF 24TH JUNE, 1938, FOR THE

REGULATION OF WHALING

LONDON, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1945

*Presented by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
to Parliament by Command of His Majesty*

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No. H.N. 404/60
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DEPARTEMENT VAN HANDEL EN NYWERHEID,
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES,
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10 FEB 1947

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: PRETORIA.

INTERNATIONAL WHALING CONFERENCE, WASHINGTON, D.C.
1946.

With reference to your endorsement, P.M.107/5, dated 27th January, 1947, on minute No. 16, dated 17th December, 1946, addressed to you by the Minister of the Legation of the Union of South Africa at Washington, D.C., I must point out that although the invitation of the Legation of the United States of America was received in this office on the 9th October, 1946, (your endorsement P.M. 107/5, dated 5th October, 1946, refers), the draft Agenda and Rules of Procedure, which it was stated in the invitation could be expected shortly and would be forwarded to this Department when received, were not received in this office until 2nd December, 1946, (your endorsement P.M. 107/5, old, dated 29th November, 1946, refers), that is, after the commencement of the Conference, although you were requested on the 29th October, 1946, to obtain copies of the draft Agenda and Rules of Procedure in order that the Union's Observer might be furnished with instructions and notes for his guidance. The Department, in consequence, was unable to gauge the nature or importance of the Conference and could not instruct the Observer Delegate of the Union as to the course to be followed by him at the Conference. I must stress the fact that if this Department is expected to be represented at an International Conference, it must be given timely notice and provided with the full facts of the proposed Conference, otherwise the same position will arise as occurred in this case.

I trust you will bring this to the notice of the Minister of the Union Legation at Washington, in order that he, in turn, may advise the Authorities concerned in the United States

F.M.D.


SECRETARY FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES.

P.M. 10775.

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18 FEB 1947

Die Hoë Kommissaris van
die Unie van Suid-Afrika,
LONDEN.

INTERNASIONALE OOREENKOMS VIR DIE REËLING
VAN WALVISVANGS.

Ooreenkomstig die bepalings van artikel 2 van die
Protokol van 26 November 1945, geliewe die Regering van die
Verenigde Koninkryk in kennis te stel dat die fabriekskip
"Empire Victory" in die gebied omskryf in artikel 7 van die
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G. P. JOOSTE

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Die Buitengewone Gesant en
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die Unie van Suid-Afrika,
WASHINGTON.

INTERNASIONALE KONFERENSIE VIR DIE REÛLING
VAN WALVISVANGS.

Ek wens te verwys na u brief No. 16 van 17 Desember en moet u meedeel dat die Agenda en Reëls van Prosedure eers na die opening van die Konferensie van die Amerikaanse Gesantskap ontvang is en gevolglik was dit onmoontlik vir die betrokke departement om betyds vir mar. Smit as waarnemer behoorlik opdrag te gee wat betref die standpunt wat hy by die Konferensie behoort in te neem.

Dit sal op prys gestel word indien u die posisie aan die Staatsdepartement wil verduidelik en die hoop wil uitspreek dat in die toekoms dit moontlik mag wees om volle inligting en kennis betyds aan die Unieregering te verskaf wanneer die Unie uitgenodig is om 'n Internasionale Konferensie in die Verenigde State by te woon.

G. P. JOOSTE

SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

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DIE SEKRETARIS VAN HANDEL EN NYWERHEID.

Vir u informasie. U brief No. 404/60 van 10 Februarie verwys.

J. K. CHRISTIE

SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

P.M. 107/5.

CODE TELEGRAM.

FROM : Secretary for External Affairs, Cape Town.
TO : High Commissioner, London.

29th January, 1947.

No. 118.

International Whaling Agreement.

My despatch No. 107/5 of December 3rd.

Can you now advise the date of deposit of the instrument of ratification.

It went to the Secretary of State in London on the 10th of January 1947. The matter is now being dealt with by the Secretary of State. It is not yet known whether the agreement is or is not to be ratified. It is not yet known whether the agreement is or is not to be ratified. It is not yet known whether the agreement is or is not to be ratified.

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UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

Dominions Office,

Circular despatch D. No. 14

Downing Street.

14 February, 1947.

Sir,

I have the honour to state, for the information of His Majesty's Government in the Union of South Africa, that the Instrument of Ratification by His Majesty's Government in the Union of South Africa of the Whaling Protocol of the 26th November, 1945, has been deposited in the archives of the Foreign Office with effect from the 11th December, 1946.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient,
humble servant,

Adrian

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THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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Mr. Gerber

The two Protocols should be published together. I suggest that the title page of the T.S. publin. should be on the lines of the attached. It is not possible in this case to indicate "date of entry into effect."

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~~Mr. Moore~~

W. look into this. As a signatory of the Convention + Protocol at Washington we should be furnished with certified copies. These will have to be published in the Convention ratified.

~~Mr. Christie~~

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Re see below. Do any of the agreements have to be published in our T.S.?

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IMPORTANT TELEGRAM.

FROM: High Commissioner, London.
TO: Secretary for External Affairs, Cape Town.

5th March, 1947.



No. 281. SECRET (DOM).

1. As you know, Protocol amending International Agreement of 1937 for Regulation of Whaling was drawn up and signed 26th November, 1945.
2. It was provided that Protocol would come into force when all Governments named in preamble had deposited instruments of ratification or given notification of accession. Owing to failure Mexican and Netherlands Governments to ratify, now necessary to draw up supplementary Protocol for signature those Governments who ratified or acceded to 1945 Protocol.
3. Failing signature this Protocol by all Governments concerned, it will not be possible legally to extend whaling season from 7th March to 7th April. In view world shortage fats and oils, United Kingdom Government consider it of vital importance that season should be extended in this way and hope Union will sign. Please telegraph tomorrow, 6th March, whether Scallan may sign Protocol on behalf Union.

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TO: Secretary for External Affairs, Cape Town.
FROM: High Commissioner, London.

6th March, 1947.

No. 256.

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Scallan hereby authorised to sign, on behalf of the Union Government, Supplementary Protocol extending the whaling season from 7th March to 7th April.

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No. 256.

International Whaling Agreement.

Scallan hereby authorised to sign, on behalf of the Union Government, Supplementary Protocol extending the whaling season from 7th March to 7th April.

Is formal full power required.

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Akte van Bekragtiging van die Unie van Suid-Afrika in bewaring gegee op 11 Desember 1946.

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IMMEDIATE CODE TELEGRAM

FROM: High Commissioner, London.
TO: Secretary for External Affairs, Cape Town.

3rd April, 1947.

No. 381.

Your telegram No. 256 re the International Whaling Protocol of 1945.

The Netherlands Government have asked for an extension of 11 days after the end of the present Antarctic season, i.e., from April 7th to April 18th, because the Dutch factory ship, owing to unforeseen circumstances had arrived 11 days late in the whaling grounds.

(2) The United Kingdom authorities consider that, as this extension has already been conceded to Russia, it will be unreasonable to object to the Dutch request. It is, however, necessary to have the formal concurrence of Governments which signed the 1945 Whaling Protocol, and they would be grateful, therefore, if you could advise before April 7th whether the Union Government would agree to the Netherlands request.

Please telegraph reply en clair.

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IMMEDIATE EN CLAIR TELEGRAM.

FROM : Secretary for External Affairs, Cape Town.
TO : High Commissioner, London.

5th April, 1947.

No. 370.

Your 381.

Union Government agree to Netherlands request that whaling season be extended from April 7th to April 18th.

The Netherlands Government has requested for an extension of 11 days after the end of the whaling season, i.e. from April 7th to April 18th. The whaling fleet, which is currently in the waters of the Union, will have to be in the waters of the Union for an extension of 11 days after the end of the whaling season, i.e. from April 7th to April 18th.

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Protocol on International Whaling - The International Whaling Commission, No. 212, van Welvarendy van 2 Junie 1947. London 28 April 1947. The Netherlands Government has already agreed to the extension of 11 days after the end of the whaling season, i.e. from April 7th to April 18th. It will be unreasonable to object to the Netherlands request, however, necessary.

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5 SOUTH AFRICA HOUSE,
TRAFALGAR SQUARE,
LONDON, W. C. 2.

Reference No. 19/38

SPRINGBOK

PM 107/5

31st March, 1947.

The Secretary for External Affairs,
PRETORIA.



International Whaling Agreement : Ratification
of Protocol of November, 1945 and Supplementary
Protocol of March, 1946.

Under cover of your minute P.M. 107/5 of the 22nd November, 1946, you forwarded for deposit with the United Kingdom Government the Instrument of Ratification by the Union Government of the Whaling Protocol of 26th November, 1945 and the Supplementary Protocol of the 15th March, 1946. The Instrument was deposited on the 11th December, 1946.

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J. B. ...
Political Secretary.

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 PARLIAMENT SQUARE,
 LONDON, W. C. 2.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Circular despatch D. No. 24

Dominions Office,
 Downing Street,
 12 March, 1947.

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1947.



Sir,

I have the honour to state, for the information of His Majesty's Government in the Union of South Africa, that the Instrument of Ratification by His Majesty's Government in Canada of the Protocol signed in London on the 26th November, 1945, amending the International Agreement for the Regulation of Whaling signed in London on the 8th June, 1937, has been deposited in the archives of the Foreign Office with effect from the 31st December, 1946.

I have the honour to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient,
 humble servant,

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THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
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Telegrams
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Adressee asb, alle briewe aan die
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All communications to be addressed
to the Secretary.

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DEPARTEMENT VAN HANDEL EN NYWERHEID,
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES,
SENTRAALESTRAAT 216,
216 CENTRAL STREET,
PRETORIA.

17 MAR 1947

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: PRETORIA.

INTERNATIONAL WHALING AGREEMENT 1937, AS AMENDED
BY SUBSEQUENT PROTOCOLS.

Your file 107/5, refers.

Attention is invited to Article 2 of the protocol entered into at London on the 26th November, 1945, amending the International Whaling Agreement of 8th June, 1937, as amended, which reads as follows:-

"Each contracting Government shall give notice to the Government of the United Kingdom when factory ships registered under the law of any territory under its authority or otherwise under its jurisdiction engage in whaling operations in the area defined by Article 7 of the Principal Agreement. The Government of the United Kingdom will inform the other contracting Governments of all notices received under this paragraph and shall itself similarly give notice to the other contracting Governments if factory ships registered under the law of any territory under its authority or otherwise under its jurisdiction engage in whaling operations in the said area".

In regard to the first part of the abovequoted article, you were requested in my minute of evennumber dated 27th January, 1947, to notify the Government of the United Kingdom that Messrs. Union Whaling Company, Limited, of Durban, were operating the factory ship "Empire Victory" in the Antarctic South of 40° South latitude. My records do not disclose that the Government of the United Kingdom has furnished me with the information required in the latter part of the abovequoted article, and I shall be glad, therefore, if you will request that Government to do so.

In regard to your minute P.M.107/5, dated 22nd November, 1946, addressed to the High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa, a copy of which was endorsed to me, kindly furnish me with another copy of the protocol entered into at London on the 26th November, 1945, with the supplementary protocol attached thereto, dated 15th March, 1946. I should be glad if any future amending protocols of the 1937 International Whaling Agreement will be forwarded to me in duplicate.

Done
C/16.

FMD.

SECRETARY FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES.

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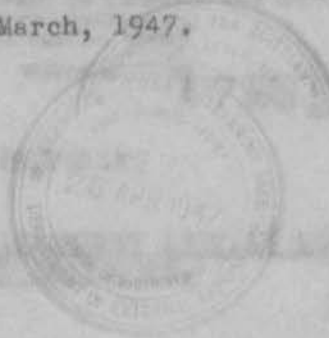
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LEGATION OF
THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA
WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

29th March, 1947.

AIR MAIL

The Secretary for External Affairs,
Cape Town.



Whaling Conference Documents

I am directed to refer to your minute No.P.M. 107/5 of the 18th February, 1947, in which you informed the Minister that the Agenda and Rules of Procedure of the International Whaling Conference were not received from the United States Legation until after the opening of the Conference.

This matter was taken up on an informal basis with a responsible official of the Department of State who has now written the Legation, inter alia, as follows:-

"I have taken up this matter with the Division concerned and we wish to assure you of our regret that these documents were not received by you in time to be of most use. You are assured that we will continue to make every effort to expedite the distribution of pre-conference documents and so to prevent a repetition of the circumstances you mentioned."

2 copies for

W. H. Woodward
SECRETARY OF LEGATION

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UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

Dominions Office,

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Circular despatch D No. 34

Downing Street.

April, 1947.



Sir,

I have the honour to state, for the information of His Majesty's Government in the Union of South Africa, that the Icelandic Government have notified their accession to the International Agreement for the Regulation of Whaling signed in London on the 8th June, 1937, as well as the Protocols signed in London on the 24th June, 1938 and the 26th November, 1945, amending the said Agreement and that this accession took effect on the 12th March, 1947.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient,
humble servant,

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THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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