

## DESPATCHES FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

No. 100.

CIRCULAR.

COLONIAL OFFICE,  
7th January, 1921.

The accompanying amended copy of the note from His Majesty's Government to the Esthonian Government respecting Commercial Relations is transmitted to be substituted for the copy which formed Enclosure 1 in Secretary of State's Circular despatch of 21st September, 1920.

I have, &amp;c.,

W. CHURCHILL.

*The Officer Administering the Government of*  
HONGKONG.

[Enclosure 1 in Circular despatch of 21st September, 1920.]

FOREIGN OFFICE,  
July 20th, 1920.

SIR,

1. It being the desire of our respective Governments to establish close commercial relations between the United Kingdom and Esthonia, I have the honour to inform you that, on condition of reciprocity, Esthonian nationals and goods, the produce or manufacture of the territories of Esthonia, will enjoy unconditionally in the territories of His Britannic Majesty treatment at least as favourable in all respects as that accorded to the nationals and goods, the produce or manufacture of the most favoured foreign country. This treatment shall be accorded in all matters of commerce and navigation as regards importation, exportation and transit, and, in general, in all that concerns customs duties and formalities and commercial operations; the establishment of Esthonian subjects in the territories of His Britannic Majesty, the exercise of commerce, industries and professions and the payment of taxes.

2. Esthonian vessels will enjoy in the ports, rivers, and territorial waters of the territories of His Britannic Majesty treatment not less favourable than that accorded to British vessels, or to vessels of the most favoured foreign country; subject, however, to the right of the British Government to reserve the coasting trade to British vessels.

3. His Majesty's Government further undertake, on condition of reciprocity, to accord freedom of transit to persons, goods, vessels, aircraft, carriages, wagons and mails in transit to or from Esthonia over the territories of His Britannic Majesty, including territorial waters, and to treat them at least as favourably as British persons, goods, vessels, aircraft, carriages, wagons and mails, respectively, or those of any other more favoured nationality, origin, importation or ownership, as regards facilities, charges, restrictions and all other matters.

4. The foregoing stipulations will not be applicable to India, or to any of His Britannic Majesty's Dominions, Colonies, Possessions or Protectorates beyond the seas, unless notice of accession to this arrangement shall have been given on behalf of India or any such Dominion, Colony, Possession or Protectorate by His Britannic Majesty's representative at Reval before the expiration of twelve months from this date. Nevertheless, goods, the produce or manufacture of India or of any of His Britannic Majesty's Dominions, Colonies, Possessions and Protectorates, will enjoy in Esthonia complete and unconditional Most Favoured Nation treatment so long as India or such Dominion, Colony, Possession or Protectorate accords to goods, the produce or manufacture of Esthonia, treatment as favourable as that accorded to the produce of the soil or industry of any other foreign country.

5. The above arrangement will have effect as from the date of this note, and will remain in force unless and until either of our respective Governments has given notice to the other of its intention to terminate it. In that case, it will remain in force until the expiration of six months from the date of such notice.

As regards India and the British Dominions, Colonies, Possessions and Protectorates, which may have acceded to this arrangement in virtue of the provisions of paragraph 4, either of our respective Governments shall have the right to terminate it separately on giving six months' notice to that effect.

I have, etc.,

CURZON OF KEDLESTON.

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**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.**

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**No. 101.**

*By-laws made by the Governor in Council under section 3 of the Holts Wharf Ordinance, 1921, Ordinance No. 3 of 1921, on the 17th day of March, 1921.*

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1. No person unless in the employment of the Manager of Holts Wharf, or belonging to or having business with vessels alongside, shall enter or be upon any of the piers or premises of Holts Wharf without the licence of an Official.
2. No merchandise, cargo, coal, waggon, carriage, cart, truck or other conveyance shall be taken on to any of the piers or premises of Holts Wharf without the licence of an Official.
3. No nuisance of any description shall be committed on or about any of the piers or premises of Holts Wharf.
4. No steamer, vessel, launch, boat, junk, sampan or other craft of any description (other than vessels belonging to the Harbour Department or Police) shall make fast to, or hold on to, or lie alongside of or block the approaches to any of the piers or premises of Holts Wharf without the licence of an Official.
5. No craft of any kind shall make fast broadside on the Praya Wharf of the premises without the licence of an Official.
6. No person shall smoke inside any of the buildings on Holts Wharf.
7. The steps leading to the wharves on Holts Wharf shall not be used for landing or delivering cargo and not more than two launches shall lie alongside the said steps at the same time.