From the Danish Minister at London to the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

DANISH LEGATION

LONDON, March 22, 1937.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note of to-day's date, which runs as follows:—

"I have the honour to inform you that the Governments of Iceland are willing that the Anglo-Danish Arbitration Convention signed in London on the 25th October, 1905, and renewed on the 10th October, 1930, with effect from the 4th May, 1931, and extended as having been renewed for a further period of five years from the 4th May, 1936, in respect of Iceland on the one hand, and Great Britain, Northern Ireland and all parts of the British Empire which are not separate members of the League of Nations, Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia and New Zealand on the other.

2. I have the honour further to inform you that the Governments of Iceland are willing that unless notice to terminate the Convention has been given one year before the expiry of the said period of five years, it shall continue to be in force without limit of time until one year from the date on which such notice is given. His Majesty's Governments above mentioned may respectively terminate the Convention separately in respect of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or all parts of the British Empire which are not separate members of the League of Nations, Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia or New Zealand, as the case may be.

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 Statute of that Court and in the Rules of Court framed thereunder.

4. The present note and your note under reply shall be regarded as constituting a formal agreement between the Government of Iceland on the one hand, and His Majesty's Government on the said on the other.

I have, &c.

J. AHLEFELDT LAURVIG