

Part III

ADVANCE NOTIFICATION AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

ARTICLE 11

(1) Each of the High Contracting Parties shall communicate every year to each of the other High Contracting Parties information, as hereinafter provided, regarding His annual program for the construction and acquisition of all vessels of the categories and sub-categories mentioned in Article 12 (a), whether or not the vessels concerned are constructed within His own jurisdiction, and periodical information giving details of such vessels and of any alterations to vessels of the said categories or sub-categories already completed.

(2) For the purposes of this and the succeeding Parts of the present Treaty, information shall be deemed to have reached a High Contracting Party on the date upon which such information is communicated to His Diplomatic Representatives accredited to the High Contracting Party by whom the information is given.

(3) This information shall be treated as confidential until published by the High Contracting Party supplying it.

ARTICLE 12

The information to be furnished under the preceding Article in respect of vessels constructed by or for a High Contracting Party shall be given as follows; and so as to reach all the other High Contracting Parties within the periods or at the times mentioned:—

(a) Within the first four months of each calendar year, the Annual Program of construction of all vessels of the following categories and sub-categories, stating the number of vessels of each category or sub-category and, for each vessel, the calibre of the largest gun. The categories and sub-categories in question are:—

Capital Ships—

- sub-category (a)
- sub-category (b)

Aircraft-Carriers—

- sub-category (a)
- sub-category (b)

Light Surface Vessels—

- sub-category (a)
- sub-category (b)
- sub-category (c)

Submarines.

(b) Not less than four months before the date of the laying of the keel, the following particulars in respect of each such vessel:—

- Name or designation;
- Category and sub-category;
- Standard displacement in tons and metric tons;
- Length at waterline at standard displacement;
- Extreme beam at or below waterline at standard displacement;
- Mean draught at standard displacement;