

Article 8.—Subject to the provisions of Part IV, nothing in this Agreement affects the right of each Part to apply to any ship trading to its ports its regulations regarding the safety of ships, their crews and passengers, except in so far as the ship complies with regulations accepted by the Part as equivalent to its own regulations.

PART III

Extra-Territorial Operation of Laws

Article 9.—Save as otherwise specially provided in this Agreement, the laws relating to merchant shipping in force in one Part of the Commonwealth shall not be made to apply with extra-territorial effect to ships registered in another Part unless the consent of that other Part of the Commonwealth has been previously obtained:—

Provided that nothing contained in this Article shall be deemed to restrict the power of each Part of the Commonwealth to regulate the coasting trade, sea fisheries and fishing industry of that Part.

PART IV

Equal Treatment

Article 10.—Each Part of the British Commonwealth agrees to grant access to its ports to all ships registered in the British Commonwealth on equal terms and undertakes that no laws or regulations relating to seagoing ships at any time in force in that Part shall apply more favourably to ships registered in that Part, or to the ships of any foreign country, than they apply to any ship registered in any other Part of the Commonwealth.

Article 11.—While each Part of the British Commonwealth may regulate its own coasting trade, it is agreed that any laws or regulations from time to time in force for that purpose shall treat all ships registered in the British Commonwealth in exactly the same manner as ships registered in that Part, and not less favourably in any respect than ships of any foreign country.

Article 12.—Nothing in the present Agreement shall be deemed—

(i) to derogate from the right of every Part of the Commonwealth to impose customs tariff duties on ships built outside that Part; or

(ii) to restrict the right of the Government of each Part of the Commonwealth to give financial assistance to ships registered in that Part or its right to regulate the sea fisheries of that Part.

PART V

Ships' Articles

Internal Discipline and Engagement and Discharge of Seamen.

Article 13.—The form and contents of ships' articles if first opened in a Part of the Commonwealth, shall be those prescribed by the law of that Part, and if first opened elsewhere than within the British Commonwealth, shall be those prescribed by the law of the Part in which the ship is registered.

Article 14.—The powers and duties with respect to discipline on board a ship registered within the British Commonwealth shall, in so far as they are not