This suggestion meets with the approval of Mr. McKenzie Moss, and he is prepared to go to Ottawa, accompanied by his expert assistants, to confer with the Canadian representatives on November 26, 1923.

I shall be grateful if you will be so good as to confirm my understanding with respect to the date for the conference and also inform me concerning the place in Ottawa at which the conference is to be held. I shall also be glad to learn the names of the Canadian representatives who will participate in the conference.

Accept etc.

CHARLES E. HUGHES

966.

Le Gouverneur général au chargé d'affaires aux États-Unis Governor General to Chargé d'Affaires in United States

TELEGRAM 68A

Ottawa, November 23, 1923

Your despatch Nov. 3rd, No. 401. My telegram of Nov. 10th. Illegal importation of liquor into United States from Canada. Mr. Bureau having returned to Ottawa date of Conference in question has been fixed for Tuesday and Wednesday Nov. 27th and Nov. 28th when Minister of Customs will be glad to receive Mr. Moss and gentlemen accompanying him. As Mr. Bureau will not be in Ottawa before noon on Nov. 27th meeting on that day might be of preliminary nature. Following officials of Canadian Government will be present, Mr. Farrow, Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Taylor, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Blair, General Executive Customs, Mr. Wilson, Chief of Preventive Service. Representatives of Departments of Justice, Marine and Fisheries, and Interior will also be present as matters concerning those Departments may be touched on.

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967.

Le secrétaire aux Colonies au Gouverneur général Colonial Secretary to Governor General

TELEGRAM

London, December 13, 1923

SECRET. My despatch dated November 16th Secret, Dominions 425. Proposed Liquor Treaty with the United States. His Majesty's representative at Washington has presented Draft Treaty to the United States Government. United States Government have suggested certain minor modifications and in particular, revised draft of Article III providing that the position of liquor carried on British ships under seal shall be the same as now provided in regard to liquor in transit through the Panama Canal.

Before Draft Treaty presented, clause added providing for its automatic lapse in the event of parties being prevented from carrying out the Treaty by difficulties of constitutional nature. United States Government while preferring