

will be necessary for Foreign Office to state whether Canada wishes Soviet negotiators to be informed that pledge and counter pledge should accordingly not apply to Canada, or whether on the contrary they can be informed that the Canadian Government authorize application of this pledge to Canada in both ways. Assumed that you would prefer latter alternative, but would like to be informed immediately of your wishes. Ends.

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*Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures au Haut commissaire
Secretary of State for External Affairs to High Commissioner*

TELEGRAM 101

Ottawa, October 11, 1929

Following for Skelton from Prime Minister. Begins. Your cable October eleventh re protocol Soviet Union. Yes. Latter alternative preferable. Ends.

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*Le secrétaire aux Dominions au secrétaire d'État
aux Affaires extérieures*

Dominions Secretary to Secretary of State for External Affairs

TELEGRAM 142

London, October 29, 1929

IMPORTANT. SECRET. My telegram of the 3rd October, Secret, Circular B. 148. In connection with heads I (i) and (v) of the Protocol the question of the Fur Sealing Protection Convention of the 7th July, 1911, should be included in the list of multilateral treaties to be regarded as in force. In this connection see the Governor General's telegram of the 9th August, 1924, Secret¹, and previous correspondence regarding arrangements proposed in regard to this Convention in connection with Article IV of the General Treaty of 1924.

Would His Majesty's Government in Canada be willing that similar arrangements should be adopted on this occasion? It is, of course, understood that if subsequent negotiations are necessitated either for the revision of the Treaty or for its replacement by a fresh Agreement in the event of the Governments of the United States of America and Japan being unwilling themselves to regard Convention of 1911 as still in force, opportunity would be given to His Majesty's Government in Canada to be represented in any such negotiations.

¹ Volume 3, document 839.

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