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strengthening of showing what patience and forbearing, and in face of repeated and almost unendurable provocation, have been shown by H.M. Government in this desire to avoid all action which might still further embitter public feeling on either side or add to the anxiety of Nations.

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H.M. Government are not concerned with the domestic affairs of Russia nor with its form of Government. All they require is that that Government should refrain from interference with purely British concerns and abstain from hostile action or propaganda against British subjects. But they consider it necessary to warn the Union of Socialistic Soviet Republic in the gravest terms that there are limits beyond which it is dangerous to drive public opinion in a country and that a continuance of such acts, as are here complained of, must sooner or later render inevitable the abrogation of Trade Agreements, stipulations, which have been so flagrantly violated, and even the severance of ordinary diplomatic relations.

H.M. Government trusts that this protest and warning will be received by the Union of Socialistic Soviet Republic with the attention they require and that no further cause of complaint may be given.

Telegram ends.

(Sgd) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS.

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