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BRITISH CONSULATE

Warsaw

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My Lord Marquess,

With reference to your Lordship's despatch to Sir Horace Rumbold, No. 103/T.1645-355-355/ of February 27th, 1920, I have the honour to report that Leon Perelman has again requested me to issue him a British passport to proceed to Canada.

On the receipt of Your Lordship's despatch under reference Sir Horace Rumbold instructed me not to give any assistance to the persons mentioned in it and I have hitherto steadily refused to give Perelman any form of British Passport whatsoever. Perelman is, in my opinion an undesirable immigrant and I hope that he will never succeed in entering Canada again. It would, however, strengthen my position if I could inform him once for all that his naturalization has been cancelled. In the despatch of January 28th 1920, from the Duke of Devonshire to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, which formed the enclosed to Your Lordship's above mentioned despatch, it was stated that the general question of the cancellation of Canadian certificates of naturalization would be taken up at an early date, on which occasion the case of Perelman would be considered. It is possible that His Majesty's Legation here have been informed of the later developments of this question but the search which has been made in the archives has failed to reveal any more recent correspondence on the subject. In these circumstances I would venture to suggest that enquiries be made of the Colonial Office with a view to ascertaining whether the Canadian Government has

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