

3. Supplement to the pamphlet, International Traffic in Arms—laws and regulations administered by the Secretary of State governing the International Traffic in Arms, Ammunition, and Implements of War and Other Munitions of War.

4. Press release issued by Department of State to explain the difference between proclamations 1 and 2.

5. A proclamation by the President of the United States of America prescribing regulations concerning neutrality in the Canal Zone.

6. An Executive Order prescribing regulations governing the passage and control of vessels through the Panama Canal in any war in which the United States is neutral.

A hasty comparison of document No. 1 with the proclamations on neutrality issued by President Wilson at the outbreak of the Great War in 1914, indicates that the present proclamation follows closely the lines of those of twenty-five years ago. The current proclamation, however, is in somewhat stronger terms since it contains a number of prohibitions (see nos. 12-17) not contained in the 1914 proclamations. In the present proclamation, of course, there is no reference as there was in the 1914 proclamations to the intention of the United States to continue with the commercial manufacture and sale of arms or munitions of war.

2. You will observe from the enclosed press clipping of September 6th that the proclamation bringing into effect the embargo on arms, munitions and implements of war, which was drawn up by the State Department, was modified by the President. My information, which I had checked with three officials of the State Department, was to the effect that Canada was to be included. The President deleted the British Dominions beyond the Seas and inserted Australia and New Zealand in his handwriting.

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*Polish Consul General to Under-Secretary of State
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No. 52/136

Ottawa, September 6, 1939

Sir,

According to the telephonic request of today, I have the honour to enclose herewith the answer of my Government to the Peace Appeal¹ of the Right Honourable W. L. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, to the President of Poland Ignacy Moscicki, which I was instructed to convey orally.

I have etc.

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¹ Voir le doc. 1003/see doc. 1003.