

NOTIFICATION EFFECTED BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES (OCTOBER 9, 1935, JANUARY 1 AND 3, 1936) EXTENDING TO CANADA AS FROM FEBRUARY 1, 1936, THE CONVENTION BETWEEN HIS MAJESTY AND THE CHIEF OF STATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA REGARDING LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IN CIVIL AND COMMERCIAL MATTERS SIGNED AT LONDON DECEMBER 22, 1931.

From the Secretary of State for External Affairs of Canada to the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

OTTAWA, October 9, 1935.

No. 252
SIR,

I have the honour to refer to my despatch No. 126,* dated the 17th May, 1935, and to the Civil Procedure Conventions which have been concluded with Estonia, Denmark, Finland, Lithuania and the Netherlands, all of which have been signed and duly ratified.

I have the honour to state that His Majesty's Government in Canada desire that, in accordance with the stipulations therein contained, these Conventions shall be extended to Canada by notification to the respective Governments. Such extension should, if it is possible, come into force from a fixed date and it is desirable that that date should be the first day of January, 1936. If, however, the adoption of a fixed date is impracticable, the date of ratification would be satisfactory; and, further, if the date suggested is not satisfactory, a later date, say the first day of February, 1936, should be adopted.

The authorities to whom judicial and extra-judicial Acts and Commissions Rogatoires are to be transmitted will be, where action is to be taken in any Province in Canada, the Attorney-General of such province; in the North West Territories, the Commissioner of the North West Territories; and in the Yukon Territory, the Gold Commissioner of that territory. The language in which communications to such authorities, and translations, are to be made, will be English, except in the Province of Quebec, where they may be made either in English or in French. In order to insure due execution, Commissions Rogatoires should contain full and complete interrogatories.

I have included a tabulated list of the authorities, together with their addresses, in my despatch No. 251 of even date, herewith.
I shall be obliged, therefore, if steps will be taken to make the necessary notifications to the interested Governments.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

O. D. SKELTON

for the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

* See Nos. 11-19 1935 Treaty Series.