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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Ottawa, 24th December, 1923.

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Sir,-

with Mr. Edwards, in which he asked to be advised with regard to the questions raised by the Consul General of the United States in his personal message to yourself of the 19th instant, I am of opinion that questions 1 and 2 in said letter are to be answered in the negative, and that with regard to question 3, it is to be observed that section 9 makes a foreigner subject to forfeiture for two additional causes which do not apply to Canadian or British vessels, namely (1) preparing to fish and (2) entering territorial waters for a prohibited purpose. It does not in my view relieve British vessels from seizure and forfeiture for breach of any of the provisions of the Treaty or of the other provisions of the Act.

Papers returned.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

SGD. E. L. Newcombe
Deputy Minister of Justice.

Alex. Johnston, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of
Marine and Fisheries,
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