

## ARTICLE 6.

The present Convention shall come into force at midnight on the 23rd-24th April, 1927, and shall remain in force until the expiration of three months from the date on which either of the Contracting Parties shall have denounced it.

In witness whereof the undersigned have signed the present Convention and have affixed thereto their seals.

Done in duplicate at London, this 5th day of April, 1927.

(L.S.) AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.

(L.S.) MARQUES DE MERRY DEL VAL.

## No. 1.

*Sir Austen Chamberlain to the Spanish Ambassador.*

Your Excellency, *Foreign Office, S.W. 1, April 4, 1927.*

I HAVE the honour to state that, it being the desire of His Britannic Majesty's Government in Great Britain and the Spanish Government that trade between the two countries should as far as possible not be impeded by any kind of prohibitions or restrictions, His Britannic Majesty's Government in Great Britain, so long as the Anglo-Spanish Commercial Treaty remains in force, will in general not impose any prohibitions or restrictions on importation, exportation, consumption, storage or use, except on one or other of the following grounds, it being understood that such exceptional prohibitions or restrictions are extended at the same time and in the same way to other foreign countries in which similar conditions prevail:—

- (a) Public safety;
- (b) Sanitary grounds, or for protection of animals and plants against diseases and pests;
- (c) In respect of weapons, ammunition and war material and, under exceptional circumstances, also in respect of other materials needed in war;
- (d) For the purpose of prohibiting the importation of articles where such prohibition is imposed under the Patent Laws of the respective countries or the laws relating to the marking of imported goods;
- (e) For the purpose of extending to foreign goods prohibitions and restrictions which are or may hereafter be imposed by internal legislation upon the production, sale, consumption, or forwarding in Great Britain and Northern Ireland of goods of the same kind produced in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, including, in particular, goods which are or may be the subject of a State monopoly or similar arrangement;