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UNITED KINGDOM AND THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT
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No. 1.

Viscount Halifax to Dr. Aras.

Foreign Office,

Your Excellency,

London, November 22, 1939.

I HAVE the honour to inform your Excellency that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland desire that in future all United Kingdom goods exported to Turkey, other than those exported in pursuance of contracts to which the Guarantee Agreement⁽¹⁾ and the Armaments Credit Agreement,⁽²⁾ signed in London on the 27th May, 1938, apply, shall form the subject of compensation transactions.

2. I have therefore the honour to propose that:—

- (a) As from the 1st December, 1939, no further United Kingdom goods to be paid for by deposit in the Special Account and by transfer through Sub-Account (A) of the Clearing Account in accordance with Article 7 and sub-paragraph (iv) of Article 9 (1) of the Trade and Clearing Agreement signed in London on the 2nd September, 1936,⁽³⁾ shall be permitted to be imported into Turkey, and accordingly, as from that date, Article 1 of the Supplementary Trade and Clearing Agreement of the 27th May, 1938,⁽⁴⁾ shall cease to have effect.
- (b) For the two months ending on the 30th November, 1939, entry shall be permitted for the different classes of United Kingdom goods up to the total c.i.f. values of the quotas which, in accordance with the provisions of Article 1 of the Supplementary Agreement, would otherwise have been available for each class of goods during the three months ending on the 31st December, 1939. In accordance with the provisions of Article 1 of the Supplementary Agreement, these quotas shall include the amounts not utilised during the period of three months ending on the 30th September, 1939.

⁽¹⁾ Cmd. 5754.

⁽²⁾ "Treaty Series No. 49 (1939)," Cmd. 6119

⁽³⁾ "Treaty Series No. 25 (1936)," Cmd. 5274.

⁽⁴⁾ "Treaty Series No. 36 (1938)," Cmd. 5756.

(c) Any balances of quotas which are not utilised in this manner by the 30th November, 1939, shall be available for the importation in the chronological order of registration for entry at the Turkish Customs of such goods falling under other classes as may at that time have been registered for entry, but which have not been imported owing to the exhaustion of the quotas for their appropriate classes.

3. If the Turkish Government agree to these proposals, I have the honour to suggest that the present note and your Excellency's reply in that sense shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments, which shall take effect immediately.

I have, &c.
HALIFAX.

No. 2.

Dr. Aras to Viscount Halifax.

Turkish Embassy,

London, November 22, 1939.

My Lord,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's note of to-day's date in the following terms:—

[As in No. 1.]

In reply I have the honour to inform your Lordship that the Government of the Turkish Republic accept the proposal of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom in this matter, and will regard your Lordship's note and this reply as constituting an agreement between the two Governments, which shall take effect immediately.

I have, &c.
DR. R. ARAS.

