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(1.)

*The Italian Ambassador to His Majesty's Secretary of State for
Foreign Affairs.*

(Translation.)

Londra, li 15 gennaio 1917.

Signor Segretario di Stato,

CON riferimento alla nota del Visconte Grey di Fallodon in data delli 24 luglio 1915 ho l'onore di portare alla conoscenza di Vostra Eccellenza che il Governo del Re ha deciso di aderire alla Convenzione conclusa fra la Gran Bretagna e la Francia il 9 novembre 1914 circa le prede marittime durante la presente guerra europea, non che all'interpretazione che è stata data dai governi britannico e francese all'Articolo 2 della Convenzione stessa, e di cui era cenno nei paragrafi 2 e 3 della nota precipitata.

Nel pregare l'Eccellenza Vostra di voler prender atto, in nome del Governo Britannico, della presente dichiarazione, la prego di gradire, Signor Segretario di Stato, gli atti della mia più alta considerazione, con la quale ho l'onore, &c.

IMPERIALI.

Sir, *London, January 15, 1917.*

WITH reference to Viscount Grey of Fallodon's note of the 24th July, 1915, I have the honour to inform your Excellency that the Italian Government have decided to accede to the Convention concluded between Great Britain and France on the 9th November, 1914,* relating to naval prizes during the present European war, notwithstanding the interpretation which has been given by the British and French Governments to Article 2 of the Convention referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the above-mentioned note.†

In requesting your Excellency to take note, in the name of the British Government, of the present declaration, I have the honour, &c.

IMPERIALI.

(2.)

*His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the Italian
Ambassador.*

Your Excellency,

Foreign Office, January 26, 1917.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's note of the 15th instant, in which you are good enough to inform me

* "Treaty Series, No. 2 (1915)." † See "Treaty Series, No. 5 (1916)."

of the accession of Italy to the Convention between the United Kingdom and France of the 9th November, 1914, relative to prizes captured during the present war, as modified by the extended interpretation which has since been assigned by the Contracting Parties to Article 2 thereof.

His Majesty's Government have taken due note of this communication, a certified copy of which will, in view of Article 9 of the Convention, be forwarded to the French and Russian Governments.

I have the honour, &c.

A. J. BALFOUR.