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in the United Kingdom and the Government of India
and the Greek Government respecting Consular Fees
on Certificates of Origin.**

London, June 21, 1929.

(1.)

Mr. A. Henderson to M. Caclamanos.

Sir,

Foreign Office, June 21, 1929.

I HAVE the honour to inform you on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of India that they learn with satisfaction from your notes of the 23rd February, 1928, and the 11th April, 1929, that the Government of the Hellenic Republic are prepared to conclude with them an arrangement respecting consular fees on certificates of origin, consonant with the provisions of paragraph 8 of article 11 of the Convention for the Simplification of Customs Formalities signed at Geneva on the 3rd November, 1923. His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of India accordingly agree, on condition of reciprocity, as embodied in your corresponding note of to-day's date, that certificates of origin relating to goods the manufacture or produce of Greece exported to Great Britain and Northern Ireland or India shall not, save in exceptional circumstances, require consular endorsement. His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom also agree that the same shall apply to the export of such goods to any British Colony or Protectorate or any mandated area administered by them to which the stipulations of the Commercial Treaty between Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Greece, dated the 16th July, 1926, have been applied in accordance with article 30 or article 31 thereof.

2. Where, however, in exceptional circumstances, such endorsement is required as, for example, where the certificate of origin is issued not by a Chamber of Commerce but by the manufacturer or exporter of the goods, the fee charged for such endorsement shall not exceed 4 gold drachmas.

3. It is further understood that, in the case of goods which are transhipped to Great Britain and Northern Ireland via a port in Greece, the certificates of origin relating to such goods shall, where necessary, be issued by all recognised Chambers of Commerce in Greece, namely, the Chambers of Commerce at Athens, Piræus, Patras, Salonica, Volo, Calamata, Corfu (Kerkyra), Cephalonia, Cavalla, Rhodope, Alexandroupolis (formerly Dedeagatch), Chios, Mytilene, Candia (Herakleion), Syra (or Ermoupolis), Jannina, Edessa, Drama, Cözani, St. Maūra (Leucas), Pyrgos, Xanthi, or

in the case of tobacco, also by the Greek Tobacco Protection Offices at Volo, Salonica, Cavalla. Such certificates may require consular endorsement, the fee charged for which shall not exceed 4 gold drachmas.

4. It is understood that the arrangements constituted by this note and your note of to-day's date on the same subject shall come into force in both countries on the 5th July and be terminable at any time by either party at three months' notice.

I have, &c.

ARTHUR HENDERSON.

(2.)

M. Caclamanos to Mr. A. Henderson.

Greek Legation,

51, Upper Brook Street,

London, W.1, June 21, 1929.

Sir,

IN reply to your note of to-day's date with reference to the conclusion of an arrangement between the Government of the Hellenic Republic on the one hand and His Britannic Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of India on the other hand respecting consular fees and certificates of origin, consonant with the provisions of paragraph 8 of article 11 of the Convention for the Simplification of Customs Formalities signed at Geneva on the 3rd November, 1928, the Government of the Hellenic Republic authorise me to undertake hereby on their behalf, and on condition of reciprocity, as embodied in your note referred to above, that certificates of origin relating to goods the manufacture or produce of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or India exported to Greece shall not, save in exceptional circumstances, require consular endorsement. The same will apply to goods the manufacture or produce of any British Colony or Protectorate or of any mandated area administered by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to which the stipulations of the Commercial Treaty between Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Greece, dated the 16th July, 1926, have been applied in accordance with article 30 or article 31 thereof. Where, however, in exceptional circumstances, consular endorsement is required, as, for example, where the certificate is issued not by a Chamber of Commerce but by the manufacturer or exporter of the goods, the fee charged for such endorsement shall not exceed 3s.

2. It is further understood that, in the case of goods which are transhipped to Greece from a third country via a port in the United Kingdom, the certificates of origin relating to such goods shall be issued by either the London or the Manchester Chamber of Commerce. Where the goods so transhipped are the manufacture or produce of any British Colony or Protectorate or any mandated area administered by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to which the stipulations of the Commercial Treaty between Great

Britain and Northern Ireland and Greece, referred to above, have been applied, no consular endorsement of such certificates of origin shall be required. Where, however, the goods so transhipped are not the manufacture or produce of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or India or of any such Colony, Protectorate or mandated area, consular endorsement of the certificates relating to them may be required. The fee charged for such endorsement shall not exceed 3s.

3. It is understood that the arrangements constituted by this note and your note of to-day's date on the same subject shall come into force in both countries on the 5th July, 1929, and be terminable at any time by either party at three months' notice.

I have, &c.

D. CACLAMANOS.