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No. 1.

*M. Bourcart to the Marquess of Salisbury.—(Received  
November 18.)*

M. le Marquis,

*Londres, le 17 Novembre, 1897.*

SUR l'ordre du Conseil Fédéral j'ai l'honneur d'informer votre Seigneurie que, par note en date du 6 (18) Octobre écoulé, le Ministère des Affaires Étrangères de Serbie lui a fait connaître l'acceptation par son Gouvernement du Protocole III de la Conférence de Madrid de l'Union pour la Protection de la Propriété Industrielle, concernant la dotation du Bureau International.

La République Dominicaine devant être considérée comme adhérente à la suite des démarches que le Conseil Fédéral a faites auprès de son Gouvernement, il en résulte que tous les États de l'Union ont maintenant accepté le Protocole dont il s'agit. Dès lors, je suis chargé d'informer votre Seigneurie que le Protocole III de la Conférence de Madrid du 15 Avril, 1891, est entré en vigueur et recevra son application à partir de l'année 1898.

En priant votre Seigneurie de vouloir bien prendre note de ce qui précède, je saisis, &c.

(Signé) C. D. BOURCART.

(Translation.)

My Lord Marquess,

*London, November 17, 1897.*

I HAVE the honour to inform you, by order of the Federal Council, that, by a note bearing date the 6th (18th) October last,

the Servian Minister for Foreign Affairs has informed the Council of the acceptance by his Government of Protocol III of the Madrid Conference of the Union for the Protection of Industrial Property, respecting the endowment of the International Office.

Since the Dominican Republic must be considered as acceding in pursuance of the communications made by the Federal Council to its Government, it follows, that all the States of the Union have now accepted the Protocol in question. I am therefore instructed to inform your Lordship that Protocol III of the Madrid Conference of the 15th April, 1891, is now in force, and will be of full effect from the year 1898.

While begging your Lordship to take note of the above, I seize, &c.

(Signed) C. D. BOURCART.

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No. 2.

*The Marquess of Salisbury to M. Bourcart.*

Sir,

*Foreign Office, November 22, 1897.*

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 17th instant, in which you are good enough to inform me of the accession of Servia and the Dominican Republic to the Industrial Property Union.

I am, &c.

(Signed) SALISBURY

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