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#### No. 1.

Sir Edward Grey to the German Ambassador.

Your Excellency, Foreign Office, June 7, 1909.

I HAVE the honour to inform you that His Majesty's Government are prepared to renew for one year from the 12th proximo, the date of its expiration, the agreement between the United Kingdom and Germany, providing for the settlement by arbitration of certain classes of questions which may arise between the two Governments, which was signed at London on the 12th July, 1904.

I should be glad to learn from your Excellency that the Imperial Government are equally prepared to renew the agreement for this period, in which case the present note and your Excellency's reply would be sufficient to give logal validity to this understanding

between the two Governments.

I have, &c.

E. GREY.

#### No. 2.

The German Ambassador to Sir Edward Grey.

Kaiserlich Deutsche Botschaft, London, den 9. Juli 1909.

Euer Exzellenz, den 9. Juli 1909.

Beehre ich mich in Erwiderung der geneigten Note vom 7. v.M. im Auftrage der Kaiserlichen Regierung ergebenst mitzuteilen, dass

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dieselbe mit dem Vorschlage der Königlich Grossbritannischen Regierung, das Schiedsabkommen vom 12. Juli 1904 auf ein Jahr zu erneuern, einverstanden ist.

Mit der ausgezeichnetsten Hochachtung, &c.

P. METTERNICH.

### (Translation.)

Imperial German Embassy, London,

Your Excellency, July 9, 1909.

In reply to your note of the 7th ultimo and by instruction of the Imperial Government, I have the honour to inform you that the latter agree to the proposal of the British Government to renew for one year the Arbitration Agreement of the 12th July, 1904.

I have, &c.

P. METTERNICH.