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No. 1.

M. Carlin to the Marquess of Lansdowne.—(Received April 3.)

M. le Marquis, Londres, le 1er Avril, 1903.

Sur l'ordre du Conseil Fédéral Suisse, j'ai l'honneur d'informer votre Seigneurie que, par note du 21 ultimo la Légation de l'Empire Allemand à Berne a fait connaître l'adhésion de son Gouvernement—

1. A la Convention pour la Protection de la Propriété Industrielle, conclue à Paris le 20 Mars, 1883, et au Protocole de Clôture y annexé;

2. Au Protocole concernant la dotation du Bureau International pour la Protection de la Propriété Industrielle, signé à

Madrid le 15 Avril, 1891;

3. A l'Acte Additionnel conclu à Bruxelles le 14 Décembre, 1900, modifiant la Convention du 20 Mars, 1883, et le Protocole de Clôture y annexé. Cette adhésion ressortira ses effets à partir du 1^{er} Mai prochain.

En ce qui concerne la contribution aux dépenses du Bureau International, l'Empire Allemand sera rangé dans la première

classe.

En faisant cette communication et pour éviter tout malentendu, la Légation Impériale Allemande fait ressortir que l'Empire n'entrera dans aucun rapport légal, sur la base de la dite Union, avec ceux des États unionistes qui n'ont pas encore sanctionné l'Acte Additionnel de Bruxelles, aussi longtemps que leur ratification ne sera pas intervenue.

Je serais très vivement obligé à votre Seigneurie de vouloir bien consentir à me donner acte de la présente notification, et je

saisis, &c.

(Signé) CARLIN.

(Translation.)

M. le Marquis,

London, April 1, 1903.

At the request of the Swiss Federal Council, I have the honour to inform your Lordship that, by a note of the 21st ultimo, the Legation of the German Empire at Berne has announced the accession of the German Government—

1. To the Convention, concluded at Paris on the 20th March, 1883, for the Protection of Industrial Property, and to the Final

Protocol annexed thereto;

2. To the Protocol signed at Madrid on the 15th April, 1891, relative to the endowment of the International Bureau for the

Protection of Industrial Property;

3. To the Additional Act concluded at Brussels the 14th December, 1900, modifying the Convention of the 20th March, 1883, and to the Final Protocol annexed thereto. Such accession to take effect from the 1st May next.

As regards its contribution to the expenses of the International

Bureau, Germany will be placed in the first class.

In making this communication, and in order to prevent any misunderstanding, the Imperial German Legation declares that the Empire will enter into no legal obligation, as regards the Union, with such of the States, parties thereto, who have not yet agreed to the Additional Act of Brussels, so long as their ratifications shall not have been deposited.

I should be much obliged if your Lordship would be good

enough to take note of this communication, and I avail, &c.

(Signed) CARLIN.

No. 2.

The Marquess of Lansdowne to M. Carlin.

Foreign Office, April 9, 1903.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 1st instant, in which you inform me that, on the 21st ultimo, the German Legation at Berne notified the accession of Germany, from May 1 next, to (1) the Convention, concluded at Paris on March 20, 1883, for the Protection of Industrial Property and to the Final Protocol annexed thereto; (2) to the Protocol signed at Madrid on April 15, 1891. relative to the endowment of the International Bureau for the Protection of Industrial Property; and (3) to the Additional Act signed at Brussels December 14, 1900, and to the Final Protocol annexed thereto.

You also inform me that Germany will be placed in the first class as regards its contribution to the expenses of the International Bureau.

His Majesty's Government note that the German Government will enter into no legal obligation, as regards the Union, with such of the States, parties thereto, who have not yet agreed to the Additional Act of Brussels, so long as their ratification shall not have been deposited.

I have, &c. (Signed) LANSDOWNE.