

GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET GRÈCE

Dénonciation par la Grèce, à dater du 10 décembre 1924, de tous les Accords commerciaux anglo-grecs et Echange de notes prorogeant la validité de ces accords jusqu'au 31 décembre 1925. Londres, les 10 septembre, 19 et 23 décembre 1924, 21 février, 6 et 17 juin 1925.

GREAT BRITAIN
AND GREECE

Denunciation by Greece as from December 10, 1924, of all Anglo-Greek Commercial Agreements, and Exchange of Notes prolonging the Validity of such Agreements until December 31, 1925. London, September 10, December 19 and 23, 1924, February 21, June 6 and 17, 1925.

No. 941. — DENUNCIATION BY GREECE AS FROM DECEMBER 10, 1924, OF ALL ANGLO-GREEK COMMERCIAL AGREEMENTS AND EXCHANGE OF NOTES PROLONGING THE VALIDITY OF SUCH AGREEMENTS UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1925. LONDON, SEPTEMBER 10, DECEMBER 19, AND 23, 1924, FEBRUARY 21, JUNE 6, and 17, 1925.

*Texte officiel anglais communiqué par le Ministère des Affaires étrangères de Sa Majesté Britannique.
L'enregistrement de cet Échange de notes a eu lieu le 3 août 1925.*

LÉGATION DE GRÈCE,
51, Upper Brook Street,
LONDON, W.1.
No. 2516.

September 10th, 1924.

SIR,

By my note No. 599 of March 3rd, 1919, I had the honour to inform you of the decision arrived at by the Greek Government to denounce from March 3rd, 1919, all commercial agreements with the British Empire mentioned in my note No. 1640 of May 2nd, 1919, and that pending the conclusion of a new commercial agreement it was the intention of the Greek Government that, failing three months' notice, those instruments should be tacitly renewed for successive periods of three months.

In reply you were good enough to state by your note No. 81499/C/119 of June 11th, 1919, that His Majesty's Government had taken note of the intimation conveyed in my aforesaid Note and that they concurred in the proposal of the Greek Government concerning the tacit renewal of the commercial agreements.

I am now instructed by my Government to bring to your knowledge that the Greek Government have decided to terminate the tacit renewal of the commercial instruments in question and to denounce definitely all the above-mentioned commercial agreements which will cease to be in force as from December 10th, 1924.

I have the honour to add that the Greek Government are willing to start at once negotiations with a view to concluding a new Treaty of Commerce and Navigation, and that in these negotiations they will be guided by the sincere desire to arrive at a satisfactory end for both countries.

¹ TRADUCTION — TRANSLATION.

No 941. — DÉNONCIATION PAR LA GRÈCE, A DATER DU 10 DÉCEMBRE 1924, DE TOUS LES ACCORDS COMMERCIAUX ANGLO-GRECS, ET ÉCHANGE DE NOTES ENTRE LES GOUVERNEMENTS BRITANNIQUE¹ ET HELLÉNIQUE PROROGÉANT LA VALIDITÉ DE CES ACCORDS JUSQU'AU 31 DÉCEMBRE 1925. LONDRES, LES 10 SEPTEMBRE, 19 ET 23 DÉCEMBRE 1924, 21 FÉVRIER, 6 et 17 JUIN 1925.

English official text communicated by His Britannic Majesty's Foreign Office. The registration of this Exchange of Notes took place August 3, 1925.

LÉGATION DE GRÈCE,
51, Upper Brook Street,
LONDRES, W. 1.,
N° 2516.

Le 10 septembre 1924.

MONSIEUR LE MINISTRE,

Par ma note N° 599, en date du 3 mars 1919, j'ai eu l'honneur de porter à votre connaissance la décision prise par le Gouvernement hellénique de dénoncer, à partir du 3 mars 1919, tous les accords commerciaux conclus avec l'Empire Britannique mentionnés dans ma note N° 1640, en date du 2 mai 1919. J'ajoutais qu'en attendant la conclusion d'un nouvel accord commercial, le Gouvernement hellénique désirait que, sous réserve d'un préavis de trois mois, la validité de ces accords fût tacitement prorogée pour des périodes successives de trois mois.

En réponse à cette communication, vous avez bien voulu déclarer, par votre note N° 81499/C/119, en date du 11 juin 1919, que le Gouvernement de Sa Majesté avait pris acte de la notification rappelée ci-dessus, et qu'il accédait à la proposition du Gouvernement hellénique relative à la prorogation tacite des accords commerciaux.

D'ordre de mon Gouvernement, j'ai l'honneur de vous informer que le Gouvernement hellénique a maintenant décidé de mettre fin à la prorogation tacite des conventions commerciales en question, et de dénoncer définitivement tous les accords commerciaux mentionnés ci-dessus, lesquels cesseront d'être en vigueur à partir du 10 décembre 1924.

J'ai l'honneur d'ajouter que le Gouvernement hellénique est disposé à engager immédiatement des pourparlers en vue de conclure un nouveau Traité de Commerce et de Navigation, et qu'il s'inspirera, dans ces négociations, du désir sincère de parvenir à une solution satisfaisante pour les deux pays.

¹ Traduit par le Secrétariat de la Société des Nations.

¹ Translated by the Secretariat of the League of Nations.

I should be grateful to you if you would be good enough to bring the aforesaid to the knowledge of the Governments of such Dominions, Colonies, Protectorates and Dependencies of the British Empire who have adhered to the above-mentioned Commercial Agreements.

I have, etc.,

(Signed) D. CACLAMANOS.

The Right Honourable
James Ramsay MACDONALD, M.P.,
H.M. Prime Minister,
Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs,
etc., etc., etc.,
Foreign Office,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

FOREIGN OFFICE,
S.W.1.

No. C. 18822/1867/19.

19th December, 1924.

SIR,

With reference to your note No. 3595/A/24 of the 9th instant, relative to the application of the new Greek Customs tariff, I have the honour to state that His Majesty's Government agree that the commercial agreements between the two countries which were to have ceased to operate on the 10th instant shall continue in force until 1st March next, and that, accordingly, currants of Greek origin shall not be subject to duty at a rate higher than two shillings (2/-) per hundred-weight on importation into this country, and goods of British origin shall enjoy on importation into Greece the benefit of the special rates of duty incorporated in the commercial agreements in question.

I have the honour, etc.,

For the Secretary of State:
(Signed) MILES W. LAMPSON.

Monsieur D. CACLAMANOS,
etc., etc., etc.

LÉGATION DE GRÈCE,
51, Upper Brook Street,
LONDON, W.1.
No. 3755/S/24.

23rd December, 1924.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. C. 18822/1867/19 by which you were kind enough to inform me that His Britannic Majesty's Government agree that the Commercial Agreements between Great Britain and Greece which were to have ceased to operate on the 10th instant, shall continue in force until 1st March, 1925.

It is understood that the validity of the existing agreements will be prolonged until the above mentioned date, for British goods imported into Greece and Greek goods imported into Great

Britain and such Dominions, Colonies, Protectorates, Dependencies as have adhered to these Commercial Agreements without any modification by either Party.

I have, etc.,

(Signed) D. CACLAMANOS.

The Right Honourable
Austen CHAMBERLAIN, M.P.,
His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for
Foreign Affairs,
etc., etc., etc.

LÉGATION DE GRÈCE,
51, Upper Brook Street,
LONDON, W.1.
No. 620. S. 25.

21st February, 1925.

SIR,

With further reference to Monsieur Caclamano's note No. 3755/S/24 of December 23rd, 1924, I have the honour to inform you that acting upon authorisation from the National Assembly, the Greek Government have, by Decree of the 17th instant, prorogated the validity of existing Commercial Agreements between Great Britain and Greece for a further period of three months.

Existing Agreements will, therefore, continue to be in force, on the grounds of reciprocity until the 1st June, 1925.

I have the honour to be, with the highest consideration,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) GEORGE V. MELAS

The Right Honourable
Austen CHAMBERLAIN, M.P.,
H.M. Principal Secretary of State
for Foreign Affairs,
etc., etc., etc.

LÉGATION DE GRÈCE,
51, Upper Brook Street,
LONDON, W.1.
No. 1547/S/25.

6th June, 1925.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you that according to a telegraphic message which has reached me from Athens, in order to facilitate the negotiations for the elaboration of a definitive treaty of commerce, a Decree was issued by the National Assembly on 27th May, empowering the Government to proceed to a last prorogation of the conventional regime now in force, the present tariff remaining valid until 31st December, 1925.

2. It is, however, stated that that time limit will be final, no previous denunciation being required for the ceasing of the operation of the aforesaid regime on the date mentioned. Of course the Greek Government are prolonging the application of the system now in force on condition of reciprocity.

I have, etc.

(Signed) GEORGE V. MELAS.

The Right Honourable
Austen CHAMBERLAIN, M.P.,
H.M. Principal Secretary of State
for Foreign Affairs,
etc., etc., etc.

FOREIGN OFFICE,
S.W.I.

No. C. 7663/2170/19.

17th June, 1925.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge with an expression of my thanks the receipt of your note No. 1547/S/25 of June 6th last informing me of the issue of a decree by the National Assembly on May 27th last by which the existing Customs tariff is extended until December 31st, 1925.

I have the honour to be, with high consideration,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

For the Secretary of State :
(Signed) HAROLD NICOLSON.

Monsieur George V. MELAS, C.V.O.,
etc., etc., etc.