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New Zealand, Dominions No. 244.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 18th April, 1917.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 706, of the 7th September, 1916, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies of an extract from the *London Gazette* of the 6th April, containing a notice issued by the Foreign Office giving lists of alterations and additions, made by an order of the German Imperial Chancellor dated the 9th January, in the German lists of contraband.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
G.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

ALTERATIONS IN GERMAN CONTRABAND LIST.

Foreign Office, 3rd April, 1917.

AN order of the German Imperial Chancellor, dated the 9th January, 1917, makes the following additions to and alterations in the Prize Regulations of the 30th September, 1909, as amended 22nd July, 1916.

A translation of the Ordinance of the 22nd July, 1916, containing the full list, appeared in the *London Gazette* of the 1st September, 1916.

Absolute Contraband. (Article 21.)

The following new items are added:—

- 40. Insulating-material, raw and manufactured.
- 41. Silk of all kinds and silk stuffs; silk cocoons; artificial silk and goods made therefrom.
- 42. All kinds of wax; sebacie acid.
- 43. Quillaya bark.
- 44. Tale, emery, corundum, carborundum, and all other polishing-materials, natural and artificial, and articles prepared therefrom. Diamonds for industrial purposes.
- 45. Albumen.
- 46. Glass and glass articles of every kind. All kinds of bottles.

The following alterations are made:—

- In No. 3, between "quicksilver" and "pitch," insert "asphalt" and "mineral pitch."
- In No. 20, after "electrical articles adapted for military uses" add "and their constituent parts."
- In No. 26, after "casks" add "and tanks."
- No. 27 is amended to read—"Gold, silver, paper money, securities, negotiable trade papers, every kind of cheque, draft, order of payment, dividend coupons, interest and annuity certificates, letters of credit, of transfer and of advice, notifications of credit and debit, or other documents which, whether in themselves or on completion or by virtue of an undertaking on the part of the recipient, empower, confirm, or effect the transfer of sums of money, credits, or securities."
- In No. 34, add "cadmium ore."
- In No. 38, add "zinc; cadmium and its alloys; zirconium, cerium, thorium, and their alloys and compounds; oxide of zirconium, monazite sand."

Conditional Contraband. (Article 23.)

The following new items are added:—

- 12. Sponges, raw or prepared.
- 13. Glue, gelatine, and materials used in their manufacture.

The following alteration is made:—

- In No. 2, add "yeast."

Free List. (Article 27.)

The following alterations are made:—

- Nos. 1 and 6: Raw silk, porcelain, and glass are deleted.
- In No. 2 resin is omitted.
- No. 11 is amended to read as follows: "Precious stones, with the exception of diamonds used for industrial purposes, semi-precious stones, pearls, mother-of-pearl, and coral."