

## No. 24.

New Zealand, No. 47.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 30th March, 1917.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that on and after the 1st April all persons travelling to Spain must be in possession of passports *visé* by a competent Spanish diplomatic or consular officer.

I have, &amp;c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

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

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## No. 25.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 212.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 4th April, 1917.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Board of Trade have had under consideration the question of the treatment which should be given in this country and in ports of British self-governing Dominions, colonies, and possessions to British and foreign vessels provided only with provisional load-line certificates issued in British overseas ports.

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2. It has been the practice of certain overseas Dominions to issue load-line certificates to vessels, though not registered in the Dominion, for use in the local ports. Such certificates have not hitherto been officially recognized in other British ports, but the Board of Trade now think it desirable as a temporary measure that such certificates issued to British or foreign vessels should be recognized in all British ports.

3. I should be glad to learn whether your Government concur in this policy.

I have, &amp;c.

WALTER H. LONG.

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

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## No. 26.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 231.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 13th April, 1917.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 703, 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 3rd April, containing a notice issued by the Foreign Office which gives a translation of certain additions to and modifications in the list of goods declared by the Italian Government to be contraband of war on the 27th February, 1916.

I have, &amp;c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,  
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## Enclosure.

Foreign Office, 30th March, 1917.

THE Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from His Majesty's Ambassador at Rome the following translation of certain additions to and modifications in the list of goods declared by the Italian Government to be contraband of war on the 27th February, 1916. The decree proclaiming the present alterations is dated the 22nd February, 1917, and was published in the Italian official *Gazette* on the 17th March, 1917.