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EXCHANGE OF NOTES ARRANGING MUTUAL MOST-FAVOURED-NATION TREATMENT BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND JAPAN IN MATTERS OF COMMERCE, CUSTOMS AND NAVIGATION. JULY 24TH, 1928.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency,

No. 1.

The PRIME MINISTER OF NEW ZEALAND to the JAPANESE CONSUL-GENERAL. Dominion of New Zealand, Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, July 24th, 1928.

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SIR,-

I have the honour to inform you that pending the eventual adhesion of New Zealand to the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Great Britain and Japan and the Supplementary Convention thereto, signed at London on April 3rd, 1911, and July 30th, 1925, respectively, the New Zealand Government are prepared to accord to Japan, on and after August 9th, 1928, the same treatment in matters of commerce, customs and navigation as is or may be accorded to the most favoured foreign country, provided that the Japanese Government grant to New Zealand the same treatment in matters of commerce, customs and navigation.

It is understood that the aforesaid treatment shall continue in force until the expiration of three months from the date on which the New Zealand Government shall have denounced it.

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> > Prime Minister.

Iyemasa Tokugawa, Esq., O.B.E., Japanese Consul-General.

No. 2.

The Japanese Consul-General to the Prime Minister of New Zealand. Wellington, New Zealand, July 24th, 3 Shōwa (1928).

SIR,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note dated the 24th instant, on the subject of the treatment to be accorded by the New Zealand Government to Japan in matters of commerce, customs and navigation, pending the eventual adhesion of New Zealand to the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Japan and Great Britain and the Supplementary Convention thereto, signed at London on April 3rd, 1911, and July 30th, 1925, respectively.

Under instructions from my Government, I beg to inform you that the Japanese Government are prepared on their side to accord to New Zealand, on and after August 9th, 1928, the same treatment in matters of commerce, customs and navigation as is or may be accorded to the most favoured foreign country, provided that the New Zealand Government grant to Japan the same treatment in matters of commerce, customs and navigation, it being understood that the aforesaid treatment shall continue in force until the expiration of three months

from the date on which the Japanese Government shall have denounced it.

IYEMASA TOKUGAWA,

Japanese Consul-General.

The Right Hon. J. G. Coates, P.C., M.C., Prime Minister, Wellington, New Zealand.

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