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Downing Street,

24th October, 1916.

Sir,

In my Circular despatch of the 25th of September last I had the honour to invite your attention to the recommendations of the Economic Conference of the Allies, and to request an expression of your views on the question of the commercial and industrial policy to be adopted after the War.

2. Since this despatch was addressed to you I have received communications from the Governments of certain Colonies and Protectorates expressing the views of those Governments, or forwarding resolutions adopted by their Legislatures, in regard to the trade policy which should be pursued after the War and other kindred questions.

3. I anticipate that it will be necessary to communicate the answers to my Circular despatch of the 25th of September to various other Government Departments, and it would, therefore, be of much assistance if your reply may be so drafted as to cover the whole ground and avoid, so far as possible, any reference to previous despatches in which future trade policy has been wholly or partially discussed. Copies of any resolutions or debates of Colonial Legislatures which are pertinent to these questions should therefore be enclosed in your reply to my Circular despatch, even though they may have been sent to me in earlier despatches, and the substance of any communications which you may previously have addressed to me on this subject should also be embodied therein.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

A. BONAR LAW.

The Officer Administering

the Government of the Falkland Island.

EXTRACT FROM THE DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON 30th JANUARY, 1917.

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The Governor laid before the M.P. 48/17 and p.p. 6. Council Circular despatches from the Secretary of State dated the 25th September and 24th October, 1916, the former of which had been previously circulated amongst The despatches dealt with the recommendthe Members. ations of the Economic Conference of the Allies and the commercial and Industrial policy to be adopted after the The Council considered that as the bulk of the War . trade of the Colony is with the United Kingdom the interests of the Colony will be amply protected in any action taken in the Imperial cause, and that the circumstances of the Colony did not call for any special attention in connexion therewith .

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I have the bonour to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Bonar Law's Circular despatches of the 25th Septe ber and 24th October, 1916, with reference to the recommendations of the Feenomic Conference of the Allico, and the Conversial and Industrial policy to be adopted after the war.

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