

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the High Commissioner.
No. 23 of 1915.

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WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Bechuanaland Protectorate Trading with the Enemy Proclamation 1914 (herein after referred to as "the said Proclamation");

Now therefore under and by virtue of the powers in me vested I do hereby declare proclaim and make known as follows:—

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in the proviso to section *five* of the said Proclamation, transactions hereafter entered into by persons firms or companies resident carrying on business or being in the Bechuanaland Protectorate—

- (a) in respect of banking business with a branch situated outside British territory in South Africa of an enemy person firm or company; or
- (b) in respect of any description of business with a branch situated outside British territory in South Africa of an enemy bank;

shall be considered as transactions with an enemy.

This section shall not be construed as prohibiting bona fide commercial transactions merely on the ground that they may involve some financial operation which technically comes within the meaning of the words "banking business" if such operation is incidental only to the transaction and does not affect the general character thereof as a commercial, as distinguished from a banking transaction; nor shall it be construed as prohibiting transactions of British banks or their branches with persons, firms, or companies which do not undertake banking business, or which, in carrying out the special transaction, are acting in the ordinary way of commerce and not as bankers, provided such transactions are permissible independently of this Proclamation.

2. This Proclamation shall have force and take effect from the date of its publication in the *Gazette*.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Pretoria this Fourth day of August One thousand Nine hundred and Fifteen.

BUXTON,
High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency the
High Commissioner.

C. H. RODWELL,
Imperial Secretary.