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No. 48
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PROCLAMATION

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER.

No. 48 of 1915.

WHEREAS owing to the King of the Bulgarians, an Ally
of the Central Powers, being in a state of war with the King

of Serbia, an Ally of His Majesty the King, a state of war has existed between His Majesty the King and the King of the Bulgarians as from the 16th day of October, 1915;

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And whereas it is therefore expedient to prohibit persons resident carrying on business or being in the Bechuanaland Protectorate from trading or having commercial intercourse with persons residing or carrying on business in the Dominions of the King of the Bulgarians;

And whereas it is for that purpose necessary to extend the Bechuanaland Protectorate Trading with the Enemy Proclamation 1914 (No. 69 of 1914) as amended by the Bechuanaland Protectorate Trading with the Enemy (Occupied Territory) Proclamation 1915 (No. 12 of 1915) and Proclamations No. 23 of 1915 and No. 35 of 1915 (all of which Proclamations are herein after collectively referred to as the said Proclamations) so as to cover the state of war between His Majesty the King and the King of the Bulgarians;

And whereas it is further expedient to amend the said Proclamations by providing that transactions between British subjects and persons of enemy nationality resident or carrying on business in Liberia or Portuguese East Africa shall be restricted in the manner herein after provided;

And whereas it is also expedient to amend the said Proclamations in certain other respects;

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

1. The said Proclamations shall apply to the state of war between His Majesty the King and the King of the Bulgarians as from the 16th day of October 1915.

2. As from the said 16th day of October 1915 the expression "enemy country" in the said Proclamations shall be deemed to include the Dominions of the King of the Bulgarians, the words "persons of enemy nationality" in the said Proclamations shall be deemed to include subjects of the King of the Bulgarians, and the expression "outbreak of war" in the said Proclamations shall mean the said 16th day of October 1915 in relation to the Dominions of the King of the Bulgarians.

3. The said Proclamations shall as from the 10th day of December 1915 apply to any person or body of persons of enemy nationality resident or carrying on business in Liberia or Portuguese East Africa in the same manner as they apply to persons or bodies of persons resident or carrying on business in an enemy country, and where an enemy has a branch locally situated in Liberia or Portuguese East Africa nothing in the proviso to section *five* of the Bechuanaland Protectorate Trading with the Enemy Proclamation 1914 shall be construed so as to prevent transactions by or with that branch being treated as transactions by or with an enemy; provided always

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No. 48 which may be specially permitted by any licence given by the
1915 High Commissioner or on his behalf by an officer authorized
by notice in the *Gazette* to grant licences under the said Proclamations.

4. For the purpose of the said Proclamations the expression "enemy" notwithstanding anything in the said Proclamations is hereby declared to include and to have included any incorporated company or body of persons (wherever incorporated) carrying on business in an enemy country or in any territory for the time being in hostile occupation.

5. This Proclamation shall be read as one with the said Proclamations and shall have effect as herein provided.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Capetown this Eighth day of December One thousand Nine hundred and Fifteen.

BUXTON,

High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency the
High Commissioner.

C. H. RODWELL,

Imperial Secretary.