

RECOGNITION OF LOAD-LINE CERTIFICATES

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The Danish Minister to the Secretary of State

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SIR,

In a note of November 24, 1930, to the Danish Minister for Foreign Affairs the American Chargé d'Affaires in Copenhagen has inquired whether the Icelandic Government would be willing to enter into negotiations for a reciprocal agreement regarding load lines of vessels.

In reply the Minister for Foreign Affairs has informed the American Minister by a note of March 12, 1931, that the Government of Iceland would view with pleasure the conclusion of an agreement such as proposed by the Government of the United States. It was further stated in the latter note that there do not exist any special Icelandic laws and regulations concerning load lines of vessels, such lines being fixed for Icelandic vessels in conformity with the Danish provisions in force regarding load lines.

With reference to the above, I had the honor by my note of April 20, 1931, to inquire whether the Government of the United States would be ready for the intervening time until the International Convention regarding Load Lines concluded at London on July 5, 1930, shall come into force in both Iceland and the United States, to enter into an agreement to the effect of reciprocally recognizing the Danish load line laws and rules as applied to Icelandic vessels and the load line laws and rules of the United States to be equivalent and therefore until then also reciprocally to recognize the free-board certificates of Iceland and the United States.

¹ Upon entry into force for Iceland and the United States of the international load-line convention of July 5, 1930 (TS 858, *ante*, vol. 2, p. 1076).