RELEASE OF PROPERTY SEIZED UNDER TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACTS

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The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

AMERICAN EMBASSY, London, January 4, 1927

No. 1008

Sir:

In connection with the recent discussions between the British Administrator of German Property and Mr. Ralph Hill of the Department of State, with a view to reaching an arrangement between the Governments of Great Britain and the United States for the reciprocal release by them of property sequestrated in both countries under Trading with the Enemy Acts, I have the honor to enclose a memorandum indicating the position of the American Government with regard to the release of property to British subjects held by the Alien Property Custodian under the American Trading with the Enemy Act, and of its understanding of the position of the British Government with regard to the release to American citizens of property held by the British Administrator of German Property.

I shall appreciate it if you will be good enough to advise me whether the understanding of the competent American authorities, as set forth in the attached memorandum, concerning the position of the British authorities on the subject of reciprocity in connection with the administration of the British Trading with the Enemy Act is correct, and, if so, whether on the basis of his understanding of the position of the American Government the British Administrator is prepared to release to American citizens property held by him in cases falling within the limits outlined in the memorandum.

On behalf of my Government I am directed to state that the competent American authorities are prepared to assure reciprocal treatment (as defined

¹41 Stat. 977.