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(1.)

Mr. A. Henderson to Jonkheer R. de Marees van Swinderen.

Sir, I HAVE the honour to inform you that, in consequence of an exchange of views which has taken place between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of India. the question of the establishment of a Royal Netherlands air mail service between the Netherlands and Batavia has been subjected to review with the following result, which I trust will not fail to give satisfaction to the Netherlands Government and to assure them of the desire of His Majesty's Government and of the Government of India to offer every possible facility to this important enterprise.

2. The conditions under which the Government of India are able and ready to permit this service to operate are as follows :----

- (1) Permission will be granted for the establishment of a regular Netherlands commercial air service to Calcutta as from the 1st April, 1930;
- (2) The extension of this service to Batavia will be permitted from the 1st October. 1930, on the understanding that the service shall be suspended if monsoon conditions render the landing grounds unfit for use;
- (3) In return for these facilities the Netherlands Government shall undertake to grant reciprocal facilities, when applied for later, for a British service across Netherlands territory to Australia; and
- (4) The embarking of passengers or goods on board foreign airoraft at one point in India for conveyance to another point in India will not be permitted;
- (5) Pending further consideration of the question by the Government of India, the carriage by Netherlands aircraft of mails across India in transit to places beyond India, in either direction, will be permitted, but air mails for delivery in India must be handed over to the Indian authorities at Karachi, in the case of east-bound aeroplanes, and at any such place in Burma, or on the east coast of India, as may be fixed by the Government of India, in the case of west-bound aeroplanes.

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3. I shall be glad to be informed at an early date whether the above-mentioned conditions meet with the acceptance of the Netherlands Government.

I have, &c. ARTHUR HENDERSON.

(2.)

Jonkheer R. de Marees van Swinderen to Mr. A. Henderson.

Netherlands Legation,

Sir,

· London, June 3, 1930.

WITH reference to your letter of the 7th April last, I have the honour to inform you, under instructions received, that the Netherlands Government agree to the conditions mentioned in that letter for the establishment of a Royal Netherlands Air-Mail Service between the Netherlands and Batavia. The Netherlands Government further agree to grant the same facilities as are now accorded to the Netherlands-Batavia service for a British service across Netherlands territory to Australia.

I have, &c.

R. DE MAREES VAN SWINDEREN.