

RECOGNITION OF SHIP MEASUREMENT CERTIFICATES: FREE CITY OF DANZIG

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The Polish Ambassador to the Secretary of State

[TRANSLATION]

EMBASSY OF POLAND

December 4, 1937

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MR. SECRETARY OF STATE:

Under instructions from my Government, I have the honor to communicate to Your Excellency the following proposal:

The Polish Government which is entrusted with the conduct of the foreign affairs of the Free City of Danzig by virtue of Article 104 of the Treaty of Peace, signed at Versailles, June 28, 1919,² and of Articles 2 and 6 of the Convention between Poland and the Free City of Danzig, signed at Paris, November 9, 1920, acting for the Free City of Danzig, proposes to the Government of the United States of America, the adherence of the Free City of Danzig to the agreement between Poland and the United States of America for the mutual recognition of ship measurement certificates, effected by exchange of notes signed January 17, March 14, and April 22, 1930, and October 5, 1934,³ this adherence to become effective from the fifteenth day following the date of the notification whereby the Government of the United States shall have declared its acceptance of the aforementioned proposal.

¹ See footnote 1, *ante*, p. 213.

² *Ante*, vol. 2, p. 100.

³ EAS 71, *ante*, p. 229.

I should be appreciative if Your Excellency would be good enough to inform me whether the Government of the United States accepts this proposal.

Accept, Mr. Secretary of State, the assurances of my highest consideration.

JERZY POTOCKI

His Excellency

Mr. CORDELL HULL
Secretary of State

The Secretary of State to the Polish Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON, *December 4, 1937*

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of today's date, a translation of which reads as follows:

[For text of Polish note, see p. 269.]

In view of the following (1) that the tonnage measurement regulations adopted by Danzig have been found by the competent American authority to be substantially the same as those of the United States, (2) that reciprocity now exists between the United States and the Free City of Danzig in the recognition of the tonnage noted in the certificates of registry or other national papers of the vessels of each, and (3) that the present regulations in force in Danzig are not substantially different from those which formed the basis of the present informal arrangement I have the honor on behalf of the Government of the United States to accept the proposal contained in your note of this date. Accordingly, the adherence of the Free City of Danzig to the agreement between the United States of America and Poland for the mutual recognition of ship measurement certificates is recognized as becoming effective from December 19, 1937, the fifteenth day following the date of this note.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

CORDELL HULL

His Excellency

Count JERZY POTOCKI
Ambassador of Poland