

# MERCHANTS HEED ARMS EXPORT BAN

Ottawa Has No Applications for Shipments to Portugal

FAR EAST NOT INCLUDED

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Ottawa, Aug. 23.—So severe are the penalties prescribed and so close the scrutiny exercised by officers of the Department of National Revenue that in the first three weeks the arms export control regulations have been effective no applications have been made by Canadian exporters for permits to ship war munitions to Spain directly or indirectly through other countries.

Near the end of July the Cabinet passed an Order-in-Council proclaiming effective the enlargement of the customs law and approving drastic regulations to prevent arms shipment to Spain. Exports of munitions of war to Spain were plainly prohibited and it was determined also to see that these supplies did not reach Spain indirectly through Portugal or some other country.

## No Applications.

Canadian firms desiring to export arms to any country must apply for a license from the Department, but in the case of Spain being the avowed destination no license would be issued. If a license to ship arms to Portugal were made that license would not be issued unless the Department were fully satisfied that the shipment was going only to Portugal and was to be used only in that country.

Up to date no one has applied for a license to export arms even to Portugal so that there is not even a remote possibility of the Government of Portugal being at odds with

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Canada because of refusal to permit a shipment of arms to that country on the suspicion that it would eventually reach the war zone in Spain. A few days ago Portugal severed friendly relations with Czecho-Slovakia because of the latter's refusal to allow a war shipment to go to Portugal.

In June of this year Canadian exports to Spain completely stopped but exports to Portugal at the same time quadrupled, a fair assumption being that goods previously reaching Spain directly were now reaching that country through Portugal. It was stated today that if trade returns for the month of August disclosed any continuance of this abnormal movement to Portugal a much closer check would be made of these exports. Which consisted largely of airplanes and airplane parts and tires for trucks. The very fact, however, that there have been no applications for export licenses is regarded as a good promise that the large movement to Portugal is not continuing.

## Sales to Japan.

For the past two years Canada has been selling large quantities of the raw materials of war munitions to Japan but the raw materials for war instruments are not yet included in the categories for the export of which licenses are required. Moreover, the attitude of the Canadian Government at present is that the Spanish conflict is more or less a private war, even though such countries as Italy, Germany and Russia have been having a hand in it indirectly, while the Sino-Japanese is international.

Canada has, according to Premier King's declaration, decided to preserve strict neutrality so far as the Spanish civil war is concerned, and the regulations are designed to prevent men or munitions from reaching that country, but if this neutrality policy were to be applied in the Far East it would be necessary to curb the export of munitions or their raw materials both to China

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