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Article III. His Majesty the Emperor Menelek II, King of Kings of Ethiopia, engages himself towards the Government of His Britannic Majesty not to construct, or allow to be constructed, any work across the Blue Nile, Lake Tsana, or the Sobat which would arrest the flow of their waters into the Nile except in agreement with His Britannic Majesty's Government and the Government of the Sudan.

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14. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT[1] BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ETHIOPIA AMENDING THE DESCRIPTION OF THE KENYA-ETHIOPIA BOUNDARY. ADDIS ABABA, 29 SEPTEMBER 1947[2]

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I

Mr. H. L. Farquhar to Blatta Zeoudie Belaineh

BRITISH LEGATION

Addis Ababa, 29th September, 1947

Your Excellency,

In accordance with instructions from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland have considered the *Procès-Verbal* of the Fifth Meeting between Delegations from Ethiopia and Kenya held at Addis Ababa on 14th May, 1947, embodying the agreed recommendations of the two Delegations for the amended description of the boundary between Ethiopia and Kenya as originally described in the Agreement signed at Addis Ababa on 6th December, 1907.

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3. His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom also confirm their acceptance of the following understandings agreed by the Delegations:

(i) *Malka Murri.*—As stated in the minutes of the fourth meeting of the Delegates on 13th May, the Boundary Commissioners, in making their decision with regard to the demarcation of the boundary at Malka Murri, will take into account the most suitable arrangements for the supply of water to the Police Posts on both sides, and for the watering of the stock of the tribesmen from both Ethiopian and British territory.

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(iv) *Grazing and Watering.*—In accordance with the understanding expressed at the meeting of the Delegations on 10th May, the provisions of the 1907 Agreement with regard to grazing and watering shall be abrogated.

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5. I have the honour to request that Your Excellency will inform me whether the Ethiopian Government likewise approve and confirm their acceptance of the understandings set forth in paragraph 3 and of the proposals in paragraph 4 of this Note. In that event, the present Note and Your Excellency's reply in this sense will be regarded as constituting an agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Ethiopia to this effect. . . .

II

Blatta Zeoudie Belaineh to Mr. H. L. Farquhar

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Addis Ababa, 29th September 1947

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Note of even date, in which you inform me that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have considered the *Procès-Verbal* of the Fifth Meeting between the Delegations of Ethiopia and of Kenya held at Addis Ababa on 14th May, 1947, and approve the recommendations of the Delegations which are set forth in the initialled annex hereto as replacing the description of the boundary line embodied in the Agreement signed at Addis Ababa on 6th December, 1907.

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[*See note I, paragraph 3*]

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5. It is, therefore, understood that the present Exchange of Notes constitutes an agreement between the Imperial Ethiopian Government and His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom. . . .

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France—Spain

15. CONVENTION[1] ENTRE LA FRANCE ET L'ESPAGNE POUR LA DÉLIMITATION DES POSSESSIONS FRANÇAISES ET ESPAGNOLES SUR LA CÔTE DU SAHARA ET SUR LA CÔTE DU GOLFE DE GUINÉE, SIGNÉE À PARIS, LE 27 JUIN 1900[2]

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[1] Came into force on 29 September 1947, by the exchange of the said notes.
[2] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 82, p. 192.

[1] Les instruments de ratification ont été échangés à Paris, le 22 mars 1901.
[2] *British and Foreign State Papers*, vol. 92, p. 1014.