



WAR OFFICE,
WHITEHALL,
S.W.

9th February 1915.

Dear Lord Moulton,

You will see from this telegram that Russia wants 1,000 tons of toluol in 5 months and the answer I have given them. I do not see how we can guarantee 900 tons (i.e. 1,000 - 100) in 5 months. I would, therefore, ask you to make out a project to give an equivalent amount of explosive of a different character, such as ammonal, to meet the Russian request by end of July. Of course our own requirements must not be endangered.

Yours very truly,

The Rt. Hon. Lord Moulton,

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Kitchener, Horatio Herbert, First Earl