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IT is hereby notified that the Marquess of Salisbury, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received a Telegraphic Despatch from Rear-Admiral Harris, Commanding Her Majesty's Naval Forces in Cretan Waters, addressed to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and dated the 18th of March, announcing that the Admirals in command of the British, Austro-Hungarian, French, German, Italian, and Russian Naval Forces have decided to put the Island of Crete in

a state of Blockade, commencing 21st of March, eight A.M.

The Blockade will be general for all ships under the Greek flag.

Ships of the Six Powers or Neutral Powers may enter into the ports occupied by the Powers and land their merchandize, but only if it is not for the Greek troops or the interior of the Island. These ships may be visited by the ships of the International Fleets.

The limits of the Blockade are comprised between 23° 24' and 26° 30' longitude East of Greenwich and 35° 48' and 34° 45' North latitude.