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No. 1.

Mr. Kennedy to Viscount Palmerston.—(Received May 13.)

MY LORD,

Naples, April 28, 1839.

I HAVE the honour of enclosing to your Lordship a copy of the Official Journal of Naples, of the 20th April, 1839, in which the Convention of the 14th February, 1833, by which the King of Naples accedes to the former Conventions between England and France, for the suppression of the Slave Trade, is published and sanctioned by law.

As no penalty, however, for its violation has yet been ordained, the law may still be considered incomplete.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

J. KENNEDY.

The Right Hon. Viscount Palmerston, G.C.B.,

&c. &c. &c.

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(Translation.)

Naples, April 20, 1839.

Ferdinand II., by the grace of God, King of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, of Jerusalem, &c., Duke of Parma, Piacenza, Castels, &c., Hereditary Prince of Tuscany, &c. &c. &c.

IN order to show our abhorrence for the inhuman traffic in slaves, we have determined to accede to the following Conventions entered into by the Royal Courts of France and England.

(Convention of Accession recited.)

We having formally acceded to the above-written Convention, of which the respective ratifications have been already exchanged, and it being our sovereign will that the same should have full effect.

On the proposal of our Minister, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs :

With the advice of our ordinary Council of State, we have resolved to sanction, and do sanction, the following law :—

ART. I.

All the Articles of the above-written Convention shall word for word be exactly and religiously observed, and followed.

We will and command, that this our law, signed by us, recognised by our Minister, Secretary of Grace and Justice, furnished with our great seal, and countersigned

by our Councillor, Minister of State, President of the Council of Ministers, and registered and deposited in the Ministry, and Royal Office of the Secretary of State, of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, be published, with the ordinary solemnities, throughout all our royal dominions, by means of the proper authorities, who shall take particular registry thereof, and ensure its fulfilment.

Our Councillor, Minister of State, President of the Council of Ministers, is specially charged to watch over its publication.

Naples, August 17, 1838.

(Signed) FERDINAND.

The Minister Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

(Signed) PRINCE DI CASSARO.

The Minister, Secretary of State for Clemency and Justice,

(Signed) NIC. PARISIO.

The Councillor, Minister of State President of Council of Ministers,

(Signed) MAR. RUFFO.