

*Article 10.*

Vessels which were laid down before the date of the coming into force of the present Agreement, the standard displacement or armament of which exceeds the limitations or restrictions prescribed in this Part of the present Agreement for their category or sub-category, or vessels which before that date were converted to target use exclusively or retained exclusively for experimental or training purposes under the provisions of any previous international agreement, shall retain the category or designation which applied to them before the said date.

**Part III.****Advance Notification and Exchange of Information.***Article 11.*

(1) Each Contracting Government shall communicate every year to the other Contracting Governments information, as hereinafter provided, regarding its annual programme for the construction and acquisition of all vessels of the categories and sub-categories mentioned in Article 12 (a), whether or not the vessels concerned are constructed within its own jurisdiction, and periodical information giving details of such vessels and of any alterations to vessels of the said categories or sub-categories already completed.

(2) For the purposes of this and the succeeding Parts of the present Agreement, information shall be deemed to have reached a Contracting Government on the date upon which such information is communicated to its diplomatic representative accredited to the Contracting Government by which the information is given.

(3) This information shall be treated as confidential until published by the Contracting Government supplying it.

*Article 12:*

The information to be furnished under the preceding Article in respect of vessels constructed by or for a Contracting Government shall be given as follows; and so as to reach the other Contracting Governments within the periods or at the times mentioned:—

- (a) Within the first four months of each calendar year, the Annual Programme of construction of all vessels of the following categories and sub-categories, stating the number of vessels of each category or sub-category and, for each vessel, the calibre of the largest gun. The categories and sub-categories in question are:—

Capital Ships—

Sub-category (a).

Sub-category (b).

Aircraft-Carriers—

Sub-category (a).

Sub-category (b).