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**AMERICAN CONSULATE,**

Tunis, Tunisia, May 28, 1925.

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**SUBJECT: Copy of Laws Governing Entry of Plants  
and Plant Products into Tunisia.**

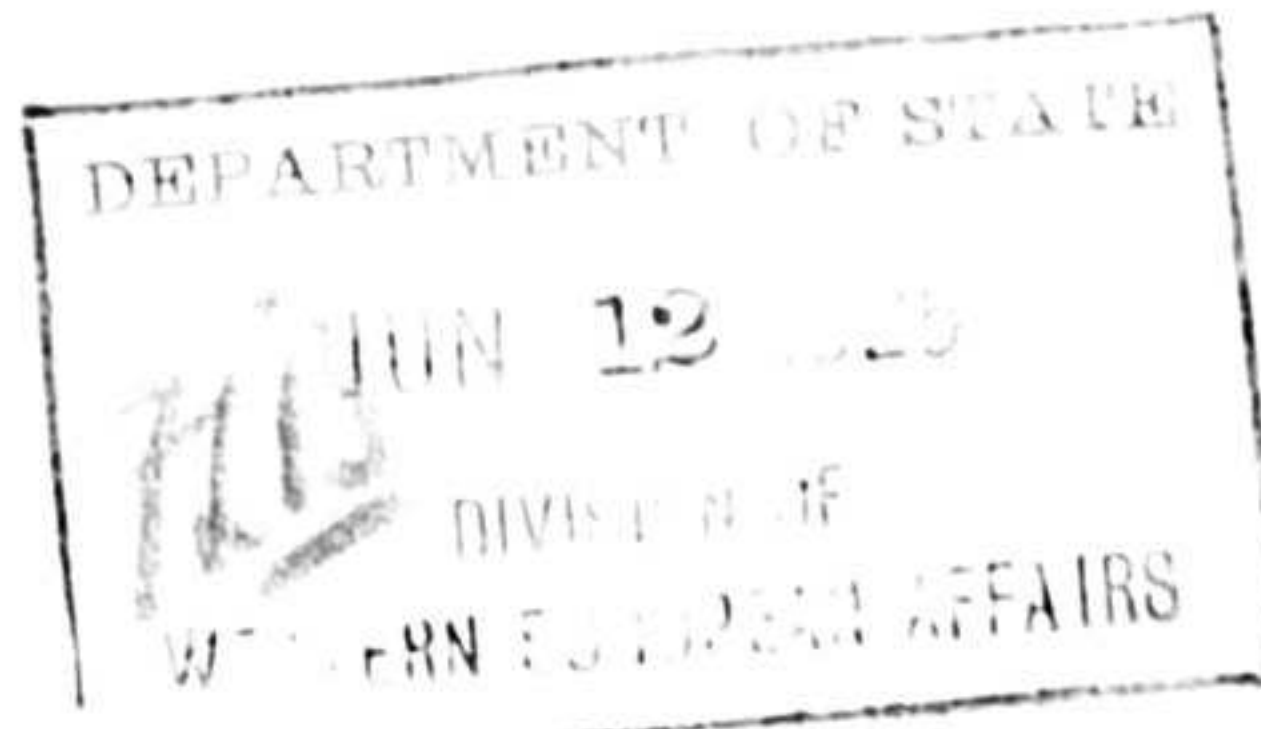
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**THE SECRETARY OF STATE,**

**WASHINGTON.**



**SIR:**

I have the honor to enclose a copy of the laws of the Regency of Tunisia governing the entry of plants and plant products into the country, as requested by Department's instructions No. 800.612/6 of February 17, 1925.

The French "Services Agricoles" have requested that they be placed on the list of United States publications re. quarantine regulations. It is requested that the regulations be forwarded through this Consulate so that they may reach the right office.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Leland L. Smith*  
Leland L. Smith,  
American Consul.

Enclosure:  
One copy of laws.  
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The Honorable,  
The Secretary of State.

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Your communication of June 17 (File FA-851 S.612-Orig.), addressed to the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting copy of letter from Mr. Leland L. Smith, American Consul at Tunis, Tunisia, together with the enclosures referred to therein, has been received.

This Department heartily appreciates receiving the copy of the laws of the Regency of Tunisia, governing the entry of plants and plant products into that country, and will be very glad to place the French "Services Agricoles" (Care of the American Consulate, Tunis, Tunisia) on our mailing list to receive copies of similar laws issued by the United States in the future. A set of our foreign quarantine and regulatory orders now in force is being sent you under separate cover for transmission to the French "Services Agricoles" through the American Consulate.

Very truly yours,

*W. G. Campbell*  
Director of Regulatory Work.

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July 25, 1925.

Leland S. Smith, Esquire,  
American Consul,  
Tunis, Tunis.

Sir:

The articles listed below and transmitted here-  
with were requested by your office in despatch No. 36  
dated May 28, 1925.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

For the Secretary of State:

WILBUR J. CARR.

Enclosures:

Set of Foreign Quarantine and  
regulatory orders for delivery to  
Services Agricoles, which office  
has been placed on mailing list of  
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copies of similar laws issued in  
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THE INVASION OF RATS IN TUNISIA

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From Vice Consul Charles B. Beylard, *Charles B. Beylard*  
 Tunis, Tunisia. Date of preparation: December 16, 1929.  
 date of mailing: December 21, 1929.

The damages done by the rats in the southern portion of Tunisia (the most important olive producing center) are now reaching alarming proportions.

Every precaution and means are being employed to exterminate the rats, and the army has been called upon for assistance in the work.

Bait poisoned with nux-vomica is being employed; at Djerba gasoline fires have been also used to exterminate the large quantity of rats and mice.

An agricultural specialist from the Governmental Agriculture Service at Tunis, has been sent to the Sfax region to investigate and study the situation.

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After having devoured a good portion of the cereal crops in southern Tunisia the rats attacked the olive trees tearing off the barks. For the moment, however, they have not attacked the young wheat sprouts, but, the effect of the tunnels they have made in the earth are very much to be feared for this culture.

The invasion of the rats commenced at Sfax and is now advancing to the north of Sfax, notably at Bou-Thadi, and to the center of the Regency at Paviller and Kairouan.

It is to be hoped that with the means now being employed that, this most disastrous enemy to agriculture, may be exterminated.

(The data for this report were compiled from newspaper reports and personal information).

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