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Sweden seems to have decided to keep its position to remain a neutral country. Fears have been expressed several times that Sweden might become involved in the war and stand on the side of the Central Powers. This doesn't seem feasible when you consider that especially Germany over and over has insulted Sweden. One thing that surely will support Sweden to remain neutral is the friendly agreement that has come about between Sweden on one hand and the European west powers and our country on the other. This agreement was signed in London May 29th of this year. We will share this excerpt from Sweden Kuriren:

Due to this Sweden has been insured to receive enough grains that can be collected in Argentina or Australia; also feed, oil, kerosene, leather, hides, wool (from South America), cotton, metals and other raw materials for Sweden's industry etc.

In exchange Sweden will deliver Swedish industrialists and about 400,000 tons (dead weight) of Swedish tonnage and will agree to such relief and consent for the United States and the Allies that they are able to deliver.