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PROPOSED TERMINATION OF CANADA-  
WEST INDIES TRADE AGREEMENT.

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Under the Canada - West Indies Agreement of 1925, Canada undertakes to give the West Indies tariff preferences on sugar, cocoa, coffee, bananas, etc., and to contribute to the maintenance of the shipping service of the Islands. In return, we get guaranteed margins of preference on practically all important Canadian export products. The preferences we receive take two forms:-

a. Fixed margins of preference on particular products in particular Colonies, which cannot be modified without our consent.

b. "Percentage" preferences which vary with the individual Colonies but which apply to all goods imported to Canada, e.g., in Barbadoes, apart from such fixed margins as there are in favour of Canada, the duty on any Canadian article is to be not more than 50 p.c. of the duty on a similar foreign product.

2. The preferences exchanged between Canada and the West Indies in 1925 were enlarged and supplemented in Schedules D and F of the Canada - United Kingdom Agreement of 1932, when the United Kingdom, acting on behalf of the Colonial Empire as a whole, secured in its favour certain additional bound preferences in Canada and guaranteed Canada a number of additional fixed preferences in the West Indies, as well as in other parts of the Colonial

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