

Senator POULIOT: Who was he at the time?

Dr. HUDSON: Mr. Heeney.

Senator POULIOT: When was it signed?

Senator ASELTINE: I gave that information in the house.

Dr. HUDSON: April 22.

Senator POULIOT: Of this year?

Dr. HUDSON: Yes.

The ACTING CHAIRMAN: May I suggest that Dr. Hudson proceed for a little while, and then he will be in a better position to answer questions when he has finished his statement.

Senator POULIOT: Mr. Chairman, I was just following the line of questions, and I am sorry to have interrupted.

The ACTING CHAIRMAN: It is all right; you did not commence the questioning; but I would think that after the witness has finished his statement he would be in a better position to answer questions more fully and quickly.

Senator MACDONALD: Now that the witness has put on the record the name of the exporting countries, would it not be valuable if the names of the importing countries were added at the same time?

The ACTING CHAIRMAN: I had that in mind, that they could be put together.

Senator MACDONALD: They appear on pages 493r and 493s of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate for June 23.

Senator ASELTINE: They appear in the annex to the agreement.

Senator MACDONALD: Yes.

Dr. HUDSON: Mr. Chairman, would you like me to read the names into the record?

The ACTING CHAIRMAN: Yes, I think so, if the members of the committee would like to have them. If not, they could be put on the record without reading them.

Senator POULIOT: Mr. Chairman, I am sorry to interrupt the witness, but I would like to know who establishes the quotas and if the Canadian Ambassador to the United States—

Senator ASELTINE: There is no quota under this agreement.

Senator POULIOT: Thank you.

The ACTING CHAIRMAN: Senator Aseltine, what do you think, that we should have the names read?

Senator ASELTINE: I think the witness might give the names now. We have the exporting countries, and I think we should have the importing countries now.

Dr. HUDSON: Mr. Chairman, would it be of interest when reading these names also to indicate the percentages which each country has agreed to?

The ACTING CHAIRMAN: Yes.

Dr. HUDSON: Mr. Chairman, and honourable senators, I now give the present signatories to the International Wheat Agreement, 1959. I might say that as in the case of Canada all of these signatories were on the basis that they would be ratified by their own governments, and this ratification has to be by the middle of July of this year. If I might just read the names of the countries that have signed the agreement at the present time, I would also indicate the percentage of their commercial import requirements which they have agreed to take from exporting countries. Now, I would emphasize