

Foreign Exchange Conservation

SCHEDULE II

The following items to be added to category 4:

- 228 Soap powders, powdered soap, mineral soap, and soap, n.o.p.
- 230 Castile soap.
- 252 Shoe blacking; shoemakers' ink; shoe, harness and leather dressing, and knife or other polish or composition, n.o.p.
- 362 Articles consisting wholly or in part of sterling or other silverware, n.o.p.; manufactures of gold or silver, n.o.p.

- 652 Toilet or dressing combs, n.o.p.; fancy combs, not being jewelry.

The following items to be added to category 5:

- 26 Coffee, roasted or ground, and all imitations thereof and substitutes therefor, including acorn nuts, n.o.p.
- 29 Coffee, green, n.o.p. (not imported direct from the country of growth and production).

SCHEDULE III

The following item to be added at the commencement of the schedule:

- x 238a Cinematograph or moving picture film negatives one and one-eighth of an inch in width or over.

The items identified by numbers below to be deleted and the items set opposite them to be substituted:

Deletions		Substituted items
ex 415	ex 415	Electric vacuum cleaners and attachments therefor; hand vacuum cleaners; and complete parts of all the foregoing for production use.
exx427h	ex 427h	Motion picture projectors for use with film one and one-eighth of an inch in width or over; electric rectifiers or generators designed for use with such motion picture projectors; arc lamps for motion picture work, motion picture or theatrical spot lights, light effect machines not to include electric light bulbs, tubes or exciter lamps; complete parts for production use of motion picture projectors, arc lamps for motion picture work, motion picture or theatrical spot lights, light effect machines, motion picture screens, portable motion picture projectors with or without sound equipment, and electric rectifiers or generators designed for use with motion picture projectors.

Mr. LOCKHART: Have any of the quotas been increased?

Mr. ABBOTT: No.

Mr. MACDONNELL (Muskoka-Ontario): I am afraid I did not make myself clear in what I was asking the minister. I assume the statement he has placed on *Hansard* will not have the relevant amounts which he is to give us. Those will be furnished separately, I take it?

Mr. ABBOTT: No; the statement will not give any indication as to what change, if any, there would be in the estimate I gave earlier as a result of these restrictions.

Mr. MACDONNELL (Muskoka-Ontario): I am sorry; I have not yet made myself clear. I understand that the minister is to give us the expected saving with regard to each item in the schedule as it is now. Do I understand correctly?

Mr. ABBOTT: That can be done. My assistant deputy minister advises me that this will cover at least fifteen pages of double foolscap. That can be made available, and I would gladly make it available if the committee wants it, but I hope I shall not have to read it all. That data is all available.

Mr. MACDONNELL (Muskoka-Ontario): I do not want to ask for anything that will mean a lot of unnecessary work. I thought we were to get that. I have before me schedule I, which is quite short, covering only seven or eight pages. I do not understand why it should be such a tremendous affair.

Mr. ABBOTT: It is not. I have all the data here, but it is of considerable length. I have [Mr. Abbott.]

here schedule I, the prohibited list, with the estimated total savings. It covers eight of these large sheets, with items varying from \$3,000, for instance, under item 7, beef and veal fresh, to \$1,611,000 under items 9 and 9a. It goes all through a long list of tariff items, with the estimated savings, those savings being computed purely on the assumption that imports this year would be at exactly the same rates for these items as they were last year.

Mr. MACDONNELL (Muskoka-Ontario): Well, I have one or two other questions I should like to ask the minister. He gave us some figures with respect to the results to date which certainly sounded encouraging. He told us that the holdings of United States dollars and gold, while, I think, going down to a low in December, had come up at the end of January. That leads me to ask these questions. Of course it is very natural that there would have been a bit of a breather after the virtual run on United States exchange which took place before November 17. These are the questions I wish to ask: the exports and imports to and from the United States in December, 1946, in December, 1947, and in January, 1948. The reason I ask for this information will be obvious; to show whether exports and imports in the two relevant months, December, 1947, and January, 1948, look normal or whether they look in any way abnormal. It seems to me that will help us make up our minds as to exactly what the situation is.

Mr. ABBOTT: As my hon. friend knows, the December figures were published about a