

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS (3) (DECEMBER 21, 1967) BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND MODIFYING THE TRADE AGREEMENT CONCLUDED IN 1932 BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES

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The Minister for External Affairs of Ireland to the Canadian Ambassador to Ireland

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Dublin, 21st December, 1967.

EXCELLENCY,

I have the honour to refer to the negotiations which have taken place with the object of modifying the Trade Agreement concluded in 1932 between the Governments of Ireland and Canada⁽¹⁾ in the light of the Free Trade Area Agreement between Ireland and the United Kingdom which came into force on July 1, 1966, and in accordance with arrangements made in the course of those negotiations to propose that Article I of the Trade Agreement of 1932 be deleted and be replaced by the following:

"Goods grown, produced or manufactured in Canada, on importation into Ireland—

- (i) shall not be subject to other or higher duties than those paid on similar goods the growth, produce or manufacture of any country other than the United Kingdom;
- (ii) shall continue to be entitled to admission at special preferential rates of duty where they were so entitled on June 30, 1966.
- (iii) shall continue to be accorded the proportionate margin of preference between full and special preferential rates of duty as shown in the Customs and Excise Tariff of Ireland on June 30, 1966, except where a rate of duty is increased, in which case they shall be accorded a margin of preference not less than the existing absolute margin between the two rates."

If these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Canada, I have the honour to suggest that this letter and your reply to that effect (to be known as the First Exchange of Letters) shall be regarded as constituting an agreement modifying the Trade Agreement of 1932 which shall enter into force upon the date of your reply.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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⁽¹⁾ Canada Treaty Series 1933 No. 2.