Exchange of Notes Regarding Commercial Relations Between Canada and Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, December 4, 1931

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Monsieur Le Ministre,—In order to regulate the commercial relations between Canada and Brazil, I have the honour, at the instance of His Majesty's Government and Brazil, I have the honour, at the instance of His Majesty's Government in Canada, to inform Your Excellency that that Government is desirous of the Canada, to inform Your Excellency that the Brazilian Government. desirous of concluding a commercial agreement with the Brazilian Government. Inasmuch, however, as under Canadian law parliamentary authority is required for the Canadian law parliamentary authority is required to the control of the canadian law parliament to foreign countries and for the extension of most-favoured-nation treatment to foreign countries and since the consistence of most-favoured-nation treatment to foreign countries and since the consistence of most-favoured-nation treatment to foreign countries and the consistence of th since the extension of most-favoured-nation treatment to loreign countries the Canadian Parliament will not be in session for several weeks, the Canadian Parliament will not be in session for several following of the Canadian Government is prepared to enter into a temporary agreement to the following effect:—

(a) Goods, the produce or manufacture of Brazil, imported into Canada (whether for consumption, re-export or transit) will receive treatment according to the Canadian Intermediate Tariff.

(b) Goods, the produce or manufacture of Canada, imported into Brazil (whether for consumption, re-export or transit) will receive treatment not less favourable than that granted to goods the produce or manufacture of any other

(c) Nothing in this agreement, however, shall affect the rights of the Government of Cornection of the Government of Cornection of the Government of Cornection of Cornect ernment of Canada to modify, maintain, or extend preferential treatment accorded to Canada to Politich Commonwealth of Nations. accorded to any State of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

(d) It is agreed that the above provisions of this temporary agreement not got agreed that the above provisions of this temporary agreement and to adjacent countries in order to shall not extend to advantages now accorded to adjacent countries in order to a distance from the shall not extend to advantages now accorded to a third country in virtue of facilitate extend to advantages now accorded to adjacent countries in order a customs union traffic or to advantages granted to a third country in virtue of a customs union which has already been or may hereafter be concluded.

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