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From the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of Hayti to the
British Minister at Port-au-Prince.

(Translation)

REPUBLIC OF HAYTI

PORT-AU-PRINCE, April 13, 1935.

MONSIEUR LE MINISTRE,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 12th last by which you were good enough to record the mutual understanding arrived at between our Governments respecting duties or charges affecting commerce and transit, warehousing and other facilities and the treatment of commercial travellers' samples. It is understood that in view of such understanding and what constitutes its object, Hayti will accord to Canada and Canada will accord to Hayti unconditional most-favoured-nation treatment, and that in matters of licensing or prohibitions of import or export, each country, as far as it at any time maintains such a system, will accord to the commerce of the other treatment as favourable with respect to commodities, valuations and quotas, as that which may be accorded to the commerce of any other foreign country.

It is particularly understood that no higher duties or other charges shall be imposed on the importation into or sale in Canada of any articles the produce or manufacture of Hayti, than are or shall be payable on like articles the produce or manufacture of any other country.

No higher duties or other charges shall be imposed on the importation into or sale in Hayti of any articles the produce or manufacture of Canada, than are or shall be payable on like articles the produce or manufacture of any other country. Similarly, no higher or other duties shall be imposed in Canada or in Hayti on the exportation of any articles from one country to the other than are payable on the exportation of like articles to any other foreign country.

Every concession with respect to any duty, charge or regulation affecting commerce now accorded, or which may hereafter be accorded by law, proclamation, order, decree or commercial treaty or agreement of Hayti or of Canada, shall become immediately applicable, without request and without compensation to the commerce of Hayti and of Canada.

The present arrangement does not, however, apply to:

- (1) Prohibitions of a sanitary character or designed to protect human, animal or plant life, or regulations for the enforcement of police or customs laws;
- (2) The treatment which Hayti accords or may hereafter accord to the commerce of the Dominican Republic.

The present provisional arrangement shall become operative on April 15th, 1935, and unless terminated by mutual agreement, shall continue in force for three months during which the parties to the present *Modus Vivendi* shall come to an understanding looking to the conclusion of a definitive convention.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, sir, the assurances of my high consideration.

YRECH CHATELAIN