

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
NEGOTIATIONS 1932

A. Tariff Adjustments requested by Australia.

1. Raisins and Dried Currants (Tariff Item No. 99C.)

Preferential - free; Intermediate and General Tariffs - 4¢ per pound for a period of two years until August, 1933; thereafter 3¢ per pound.

Proposal. Australia would like to have the two year limitation cancelled and to have the intermediate and general rates remain permanently at 4¢ per pound.

2. Canned Fruit (Tariff Item No. 106)

Present tariff rates as follows:-

	<u>Australia</u>	<u>British Preferential</u>	<u>Inter-mediate</u>	<u>General</u>
(a) Apricots, peaches & pears, per pound	1¢	2¢	4¢	5¢
(b) Pineapples, per pound	1¢	3¢	4¢	5¢
(c) N.O.P., per pound	1¢	2¢	4¢	5¢

Proposal. Australia requests free entry for canned fruits in consideration of the setting up by the Australian Canned Fruits Control Board of an export quota for Canada and an agreement to fix prices. The quota could be annually determined in agreement with Canadian canners and controlled by the Australian authorities.

It is pointed out that Australia chiefly packs Bartlett pears and Canada Keifers. Hence Australia would also like a quota for pears but would probably give way on this point if duty free quotas could be established in peaches, apricots, and pineapples.

3. Canned Meats (Tariff Item No. 8)

<u>Australia</u>	<u>British Preferential</u>	<u>Intermediate</u>	<u>General</u>
15%	15%	30%	35%

Proposal. Present preference not sufficient to meet Argentine competition. Australia requests that corned beef, canned mutton and canned rabbits should be specified separately and free entry granted from Australia.

4. Fresh Meat (Tariff Item No. 7.)

	<u>Australia</u>	<u>British Preferential</u>	<u>Inter-mediate</u>	<u>General.</u>
(a) Beef & veal per pound	3¢	4¢	6¢	8¢
(b) Lamb & mutton, per pound	3¢	4¢	6¢	8¢
(c) N.O.F., per pound	-	2¢	2½¢	5¢