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The Acting High Commissioner for Canada
to the Secretary for External Affairs
of the Union of South Africa

Pretoria, July 31, 1946.

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of July 31, 1946, reading as follows:—

"I have the honour to refer to your letter of the 12th July, 1946, wherein you advised me of the Canadian Government's desire that the preference of 35 cents per cubic foot on oranges which is guaranteed to the Union by virtue of the Trade Agreement concluded between the Union and Canadian Governments at Ottawa on the 20th August, 1932, should be further suspended during the period 1st August to 31st December, 1946, inclusive.

I now have the honour to inform you that the Union Government agree to the further suspension of this duty during the period 1st August to 31st December, 1946, inclusive.

This Note and your confirmatory reply thereto will be regarded as constituting an agreement between our two Governments in the matter, it being understood that this Agreement shall lapse if not approved by resolution of both Houses of Parliament of the Union of South Africa in terms of the Union's Customs Legislation."

I am authorized by my Government to inform you that they accept the arrangement set out in the above Note and agree that your Note and this reply shall constitute an agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Union of South Africa, which shall enter into force with effect from August 1, 1946, subject to the condition mentioned, and which may be subject to renewal by mutual accord.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

> A. J. Pick, Acting High Commissioner for Canada.