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The Department of External Affairs announced today that Instruments of Ratification of the Trade Agreement between Canada and Portugal were exchanged by the Charge d'Affaires of Portugal, Mr. G. Caldeira Coelho, and the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. L. B. Pearson.

This Agreement, which is the first trade agreement between these two countries, was signed at Lisbon May 28, 1954. It has been provisionally in effect since July 1 of last year. The Agreement provides for the continued exchange of most-favoured-nation treatment with respect to customs duties and related matters.

The exchange of the Instruments of Ratification bringing into force the Trade Agreement reflects the continuing close and friendly relations between Canada and Portugal.

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