

measures, if any, to take under their respective laws and obligations in order to stimulate trade.

This, we hoped, would satisfy Ecuador's desire, without committing us to anything other than m.f.n. treatment pure and simple.¹³

On receipt of your final cable, the press release was mimeographed for issue that same afternoon.¹⁴

We shall be sending you copy of a similar draft release for Costa Rica† by separate mail, and wish you the best of luck.

Yours faithfully,
E.P. WEEKS

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*Le chef de la délégation du commerce
au directeur par intérim de la Direction des Relations
internationales du commerce du ministère du Commerce*

*Head of Trade Delegation
to Acting Director, International Trade Relations Division,
Department of Trade and Commerce*

San Jose, November 14, 1950

Dear Dr. Weeks:

PROJECTED MODUS VIVENDI WITH COSTA RICA

We arrived here on Sunday, Nov. 12, midday, and after discussion among ourselves, concerted with Mr. Depocas,¹⁵ and taking into account what we gathered of the position here, we decided to prepare a new draft modus vivendi based on the drafts of modus vivendi and of trade agreement sent to you from Caracas, which in turn were based on the present Mexican agreement and the former modus vivendi with Venezuela. I enclose three copies of this composite document.† For your ease of reference it is made up as follows:

Article I	-	Article I	of draft trade agreement.
" II	-	" II	of draft modus vivendi.
" III	-	" III	of draft modus vivendi.
" IV	-	" IV	of draft modus vivendi.
" V	-	" IV	of draft trade agreement.
" VI	-	V,	Paragraph 4, of draft trade agreement. (Word for word from GATT)

¹³ Voir Canada, *Recueil des traités*, 1950, N^o. 21./See Canada, *Treaty Series*, 1950, No. 21.

¹⁴ Voir/See Canada, Department of Trade and Commerce, *Foreign Trade*, Volume VIII, No. 203, November 18, 1950, p. 850.

¹⁵ J.C. Depocas, délégué commercial résident à Guatemala, responsable du Guatemala, du Costa Rica, du Salvador, du Honduras et du Nicaragua.

J.C. Depocas, Trade Commissioner resident in Guatemala City, responsible for Guatemala, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua.