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The Acting High Commissioner for Canada in Australia to the Secretary of State for External Affairs of Australia

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA

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I have the honour to refer to your letter No. ER, 45/2/4/11, of July 20, 1945, in which you were good enough to convey the agreement of the Australian Government to the suspension of the Canadian custom duty of 35 cents per tubic foot imposed upon oranges from the United States and to state that the Canadian Government proposes again to suspend this duty on oranges from Non-British Empire countries for the further temporary period from August 1 to December 31 of this year.

2. The Canadian Government is aware that the Canadian Australian Trade Agreement* provides for a margin of preference during these months but it is pointed out that exports of oranges from Australia to Canada practically ceased during the war and there seems little likelihood of oranges from Australia or other duty-free sources being available during the six months referred to above. As oranges are pressing closely against the price ceiling in Canada, it is the desire of the Canadian Government to suspend the duty temporarily in order to prevent a rise of prices during the months concerned. It would be appreciated attion.

3. I would be glad if you could let me have an early reply in this matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. M. CROFT,

Acting High Commissioner for Canada.

*For the text of the Agreement, see Canada Treaty Series, 1931, No. 5.



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The Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs of Australia to the Acting High Commissioner for Canada

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Canberra, 13th August, 1946.

Sir,

I have the honour by direction, to refer to your letter of 19th July, concerning suspension of the Canadian Customs duty on oranges during the period August to December of this year.

In reply, I have to advise that the Commonwealth Government concurs in the proposed suspension. This concurrence is, however, subject to the qualification that suspension is not to be interpreted in any way which would prejudice Australia's bargaining position in the forthcoming international trade negotiations.

In concurring in the proposed suspension, I am directed to express the wish of the Commonwealth Government that the Canadian Government will not press for any further suspension of the foreign import duty on oranges beyond 31st December, 1946.

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Your obedient servant,

A. S. WATT, Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs.