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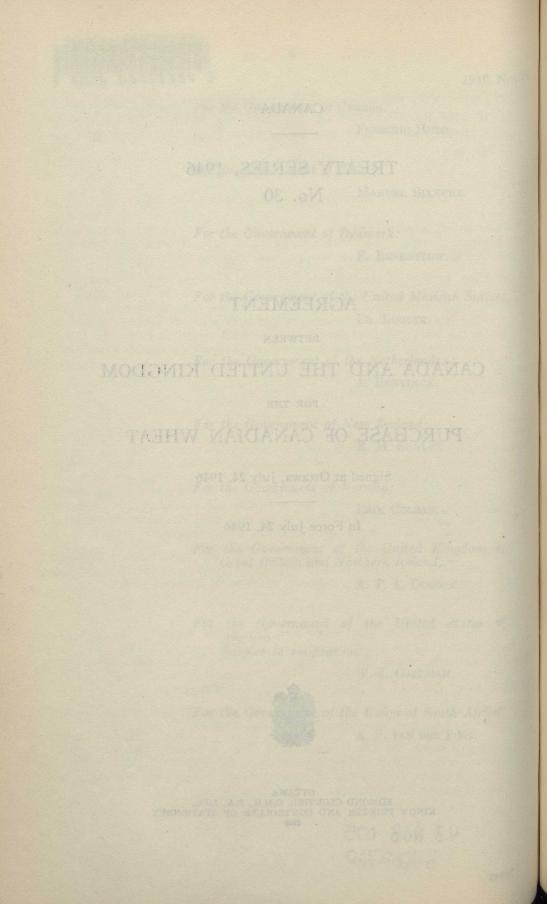
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The Government of Canada and the Government of the United Kingdom, ^{recognising} that their mutual interest in the maintenance of reasonable prices ^{and} adequate supplies of wheat for consumers and of steady and remunerative ^{prices} for producers can best be met by international co-operation in the ^{expansion} of world trade and employment, have entered into the following ^{arrangements} designed to ensure a measure of security in the supply and of ^{stability} in the price of wheat supplied by Canada to the United Kingdom:—

1. (a) The United Kingdom Government undertakes to purchase and the Canadian Government undertakes to sell the following quantities of Canadian wheat, which quantities include wheat to be processed into flour for sale to the United Kingdom Government:

- (i) within the crop year 1946-47, 160,000,000 bushels;
- (ii) within the crop year 1947-48, 160,000,000 bushels;
- (iii) within the crop year 1948-49, 140,000,000 bushels;
- (iv) within the crop year 1949-50, 140,000,000 bushels.

A bushel shall be of the weight of 60 pounds avoirdupois.

(b) In the event of the United Kingdom requiring from Canada any additional quantities of wheat that the Canadian Government is prepared to make available, such additional quantities which the Canadian Government offers and the United Kingdom Government accepts shall in all respects be subject to the provisions of this Agreement.

(c) Of the total quantity of wheat specified above for each crop year, the United Kingdom Government agrees to take the following quantity in long tons in the form of flour:

- 1946-47 500,000 tons as a minimum, with an additional quantity not exceeding 140,000 tons to be determined by negotiations in the light of the out-turn of the crop.
- 1947-48 400,000 tons as a minimum, with an additional quantity not exceeding 140,000 tons to be determined by negotiations in the light of the out-turn of the crop.
- 1948-49 300,000 tons as a minimum, the actual tonnage to be negotiated by the 1st July, 1947.
- 1949-50 300,000 tons as a minimum, the actual tonnage to be negotiated by the 1st July, 1948.

(d) The rate and place of deliveries of wheat and flour shall be deternined from time to time by mutual agreement.

2. (a) The prices per bushel to be paid by the United Kingdom Government to the Canadian Government, on the basis Number One Manitoba Northern, store Fort William/Port Arthur, Vancouver or Churchill, shall be as follows:—

(i) In respect of wheat bought and sold in the crop year 1946-47, \$1.55.

(ii) In respect of wheat bought and sold in the crop year 1947-48, \$1.55.

(iii) In respect of wheat bought and sold in the crop year 1948-49, not less than \$1.25.

(iv) In respect of wheat bought and sold in the crop year 1949-50, not less than \$1.00.

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(b) The actual prices to be paid for wheat to be bought and sold within the crop year 1948-49 shall be negotiated and settled between the United Kingdom Government and the Canadian Government not later than the 31st December, 1947, and prices for wheat to be bought and sold within the crop year 1949-50 shall be negotiated and settled not later than the 31st December, 1948. In determining the prices for these two crop years, 1948-49 and 1949-50, the United Kingdom Government will have regard to any difference between the prices paid under this Agreement in the 1946-47 and 1947-48 crop years and the world prices for wheat in the 1946-47 and 1947-48 crop years.

(c) The prices to be paid for grades other than Number One Manitoba Northern to be delivered under this Agreement shall be determined yearly in consultation between the United Kingdom Government and the Canadian Government.

(d) In addition to the prices detailed in Section (a) of this Article, the United Kingdom Government undertakes to pay such carrying and forwarding charges as may be mutually arranged.

(e) Payment shall be made in full in Canadian funds at par Winnipeg by the United Kingdom Payments Office against presentation of completed statements of claim or otherwise as may be mutually agreed.

3. It is agreed that the United Kingdom Government may sell or dispose of the wheat and flour purchased under this Agreement in whatsoever manner the United Kingdom Government may deem expedient both in regard to destination and price.

4. (a) The Canadian Government will use its best endeavours to arrange that the quantities of wheat set out in Article 1 (a) shall at all times be available and at the disposal of the United Kingdom Government within the stipulated dates and in accordance with the rates and places of delivery determined under Section (d) of Article 1 of this Agreement.

(b) The United Kingdom Government will use its best endeavours to arrange for the provision of the required ocean tonnage within the stipulated dates and in accordance with the rates and places of delivery determined under Section (d) of Article 1 of this Agreement.

5. It is agreed that the detailed terms and conditions relating to such matters as carrying and forwarding charges, grades, routeing of shipments and all other matters incidental to the fulfilment of this Agreement shall be discussed and settled from time to time and incorporated in documents to form annexures to this Agreement.

6. It is mutually understood that matters arising from, or incidental to, the operation of this Agreement may at the instance of either party become subjects of discussion between the parties to this Agreement.

7. Having in mind the general purposes which this Agreement is designed to serve, the two Governments have agreed that its terms and conditions shall be subject to any modification or amendment which may be necessary to bring it into conformity with any international agreements or arrangements hereafter entered into to which both Governments are parties.

Done in duplicate, in Ottawa, on the twenty-fourth day of July, 1946.

For the Government of Canada: JAS. A. MACKINNON.

For the Government of the United Kingdom: P. A. CLUTTERBUCK.