ETATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE ET UNION ÉCONOMIQUE BELGO-LUXEMBOURGEOISE

Echange de notes comportant un accord concernant les relations commerciales entre les Etats-Unis d'Amérique et l'Union économique belgo-luxembourgeoise, avec annexes. Washington, le 27 février 1935.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND ECONOMIC UNION OF BELGIUM AND LUXEMBURG

Exchange of Notes constituting a Reciprocal Trade Agreement between the United States of America and the Economic Union of Belgium and Luxemburg, with Annexes. Washington, February 27th, 1935.

No. 3681.—EXCHANGE OF NOTES¹ CONSTITUTING A RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE ECONOMIC UNION OF BELGIUM AND LUXEMBURG. WASHINGTON, FEBRUARY 27TH, 1935.

Nº 3681. — ÉCHANGE DE NOTES 1 COMPORTANT UN ACCORD CONCERNANT LES RELATIONS COMMERCIALES ENTRE LES ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE ET L'UNION ECONOMIQUE BELGO-LUXEMBOURGEOISE. WASH-INGTON, LE 27 FÉVRIER 1935.

English and French official texts communicated by the Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of America at Berne. The registration of this Exchange of Notes took place June 25th, 1935.

Textes officiels anglais et français communiqués par l'envoyé extraordinaire et ministre plénipotentiaire des Etats-Unis d'Amérique à Berne. L'enregistrement de cet échange de notes a eu lieu le 25 juin 1935.

I.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

MR. MINISTER,

WASHINGTON, February 27th, 1935.

The undersigned, Acting Secretary of State of the United States of America, being duly empowered thereto by the President of the United States of America, in pursuance of the authority conferred upon him by the Act of Congress of the United States of America, approved June 12, 1934, entitled "An Act to amend the Tariff Act of 1930", has the honor to advise you that the Government of the United States of America, being desirous of strengthening the traditional bonds of friendship with the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union, agrees (1) to accord unconditionally to the commerce of the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union, the treatment now or hereafter accorded to the commerce of the most favored foreign nation, the Republic of Cuba excepted; and (2) to exempt the products of the soil or industry of the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union, listed in Schedule II annexed hereto, on their importation into the Customs territory of the United States of America, from ordinary Customs duties in excess of those specified in the said Schedule.

It is understood that the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union, on its part, agrees (1) to accord unconditionally to the commerce of the United States of America the treatment now or hereafter accorded to the commerce of the most favored foreign nation; (2) to exempt the products of the soil or industry of the United States of America listed in Schedule I annexed hereto, on their importation into the Customs territory of the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union, from ordinary Customs duties in excess of those specified in the said Schedule; (3) with respect to products for which import quotas are specified in the said Schedule, to permit the importation of quantities not less than those specified therein; and (4) with respect to products for which luxury or license taxes are specified in the said Schedule, to exempt such products from taxes in excess of those specified therein.

In the event that the Government of either country adopts any measure which, even though it does not conflict with the terms of this Agreement, is considered by the Government of the other

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country to have the effect of nullifying or impairing any object of the Agreement, the Government which has adopted any such measure shall consider such representations and proposals as the other Government may make with a view to effecting a mutually satisfactory adjustment of the matter.

The present Agreement shall come into force on the thirtieth day following proclamation thereof by the President of the United States of America and the simultaneous publication of the said Agreement in the *Moniteur Belge*; and, except as hereinafter provided, shall remain in force and effect until six months from the day on which either Government shall give notice of its intention to terminate it. It is understood, however, that:

- (r) In the event that a wide variation occurs in the rate of exchange between the currencies of the United States of America and the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union, the Government of either country, if it considers the variation so substantial as to prejudice the industries or commerce of the country, shall be free to propose negotiations for the modification of this Agreement or to terminate it on thirty days' written notice.
- (2) The Government of each country reserves the right to withdraw the concession granted on any article under this Agreement, or to impose quantitative restrictions on any such article, if at any time there should be evidence that, as a result of the extension of such concession to third countries, such countries will obtain the major benefit of such concession and in consequence thereof an unduly large increase in importations of such article will take place: Provided that before the Government of either country shall avail itself of the foregoing reservation, it shall give notice in writing to the other Government of its intention to do so, and shall afford such other Government an opportunity within thirty days after receipt of such notice to consult with it in respect of the proposed action; and if an agreement with respect thereto is not reached within thirty days following receipt of the aforesaid notice, the Government which proposes to take such action shall be free to do so at any time thereafter, and the other Government shall be free within fifteen days after such action is taken to terminate this Agreement in its entirety on thirty days' written notice.

The provisions of this Agreement shall be supplemented as soon as possible by provisions of a general character concerning the treatment to be accorded in each country to the commerce of the other.

As long as the present Agreement shall remain in force, it shall supersede any provisions of the Treaty ¹ of Commerce and Navigation between the United States of America and His Majesty the King of the Belgians, concluded March 8, 1875, which may be inconsistent with the said Agreement. However, upon the expiration of the present Agreement, the provisions of the aforesaid Treaty of 1875 which have been temporarily superseded shall automatically resume operation and shall continue in full force and effect subject to termination as provided in that Treaty.

I shall be glad to have your confirmation of the accord thus reached.

I avail myself of this opportunity to offer to you, Mr. Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

William Phillips.

Acting Secretary of State of the United States of America.

The Honorable

Pierre Forthomme, Senator,

Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary,

Chief of the Belgian Delegation.

¹ British and Foreign State Papers, Vol. 66, page 116.

¹ DE MARTENS, Nouveau Recueil général de Traités, deuxième série, tome I, page 54.

CHEDULE

Annual quotas allowed to be imported into the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union	100 % of the average of the imports during the years 1929 to 1933.	}		678,528 kg. 1			
Applicable rate	00.00	Free	Free Free	30.00	30.00 50.00 20.00 50.00	86.25 60.00	25.00 28.75
Unit of collection	100 kg. net			100 kg. gross weight 100 kg. gross weight	ooo kg. net idem	100 kg. net idem	100 kg. gross weight
Name of commodity	Honey, natural	Entrails, fresh, salted or dried	In the straw, unhusked Husked Groats and semolina of oats including oats in the grain	peeled, husked, pearled or crushed, also oat flakes Starch and fecula from maize	Imported in packages weighing over 25 kg. (Aggregate weight of container and contents) Imported otherwise. Grapefruit. Peacher, dried Fresh nears	Imported in cases, small cases, boxes, baskets, or other packages weighing 20 kg. or less (taking the aggregate weight of container and contents and including pears imported in containers weighing over 20 kg., when the receptacles are inwardly divided into compartments, or when the fruit is wrapped in paper or other material, to protect it); from September 1 to January 31.	Apples, fresh: Imported otherwise: From April 1 to August 31 From September 1 to March 31
Numbers of the Belgian tariff	11 16(a)	47 51(g)	1. 2. 55(a)	$\frac{57(b)}{73(b)}$	$\frac{73(7)}{1}$. Ex. $\frac{78(b)}{91}$ ex. $\frac{91}{93(a)}$	ex 94(a)	No 3681

41.40	103.50		60.00 45.00 30.00	75.00 55.50 37.50 34.50	Free Free Free	100 % of the average of the imports during the vears 1920 to	90.003	34.50	200.00
100 kg. gross weight	100 kg. gross weight			oo kg. gross weight		: : : : : : :	100 kg. net weight	100 kg, net	100 kg. net
Apples, dried: Peeled	Imported in small cases or other packages weighing to kg. or less (aggregate weight of container and contents)	In casks of at least 180 kg. or in sacks of at least 80 kg., without interior packing (combined weight of the container and the contents) having per half-kilogramme:	Б	Fruit Gum	Other: Crude or purified turpentine Crude or purified Mineral tar, from the distillation of coal Paraffin Meat, not specified, merely cooked, smoked or salted, imported otherwise than in boxes, jars, crusts or other	similar packing: Of pig: Other	Canned pork tongue	Imported in boxes, jars, crusts or other similar packing: Pilchards Fruit, whole or divided, preserved in their own juice or by	means of sugar or vinegar: In receptacles weighing 3 kg. or less
95(b) 1. 2.	(a) $97(b)$,	2. C.	A. B. B. C. 99(b)	(b) 2. 190 3. 196 212	(a) 2.	ex 214 ex 219	225	(9)

¹ The quota increase of 72,128 kg. is applicable only to starches and fecula imported in bags. (Footnote in the original.) ² Excluding white lacquer gums. (Footnote in the original.)
³ The license tax shall not exceed 200 francs per 100 kg. (Footnote in the original.)

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Pree 100 kg. net 500.00 100 kg. net 2,500.00 100 kg. gross weight 200.00 2,500.00	Numbers of the Belgian tariff	Name of commodity	Unit of collection	Applicable rate	Annual quotas allowed to be imported into the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union
100 kg net 200.00	ex 273(a)	۱ ,		Free 1	
Acetone, ordinary (propanone) 100 kg. gross weight 20.00 396	$^{277}_{(a)}$ $^{278(b)}$	J •	100 kg. net idem	500.00	
(c) Aniline dyes Aniline dyes Aniline dyes (a) Variable lack, siccatives, whether mixed or not with coloring materials; so-called enamel paints: (b) Nith dematured ethyl alcohol; with alcohol other than ethylic Ethylic Skins, painted or moroccoed, not specified: Skins, varnished or lacquered Beamoid (artificial leather) and similar products Skins Skins For flooring To Of one color With printed designs For walls Scione Collars and cuffs, shirt-fronts and dickies Wood, sawn, not specified elsewhere: Collars and cuffs, shirt-fronts and dickies Wood, sawn, not specified elsewhere Collars and walnut Dy cask, ash and walnut Collars and	363 396	Acetone, ordinary (propanone)	100 kg. gross weight	20.00	
(a) With denatured ethyl alcohol; with alcohol other than ethylic (b) Skins, painted or moroccoed, not specified: (c) Skins, varnished or moroccoed, not specified: (d) Skins, varnished or lacquered: (e) Others: (f) Chims of or color (g) To the color (h) Coloring for women, not specified elsewhere (c) Hosiery of pure silk and hosiery mixed with silk (d) Hosiery of pure silk and hosiery mixed with silk (e) Coloring wond, not specified elsewhere (f) Of oak, ash and walnut (h) Of oak, ash and waln	(c) 431	Aniline dyes Varnish, lacs, siccatives, whether mixed or not with		Free	
Color of the color of the color of the color of color o	(a)	coloring materials; so-called enamer paints: With denatured ethyl alcohol; with alcohol other than	٠		
Others		ethylic	100 kg. net ad valorem	200.00 17.25% ²	
Pegamoid (artificial leather) and similar products 100 kg. net 258.75 Sa	(9)	Others		• 00	10,300 kg.
For flooring: Solution	5.82 5.83	Pegamoid (artificial leather) and similar products	100 kg. net	258.75	30,000 AB.
1. Of one color 2. With printed designs (c) For walls (d) Hosiery of pure silk and hosiery mixed with silk (d) Hosiery of pure silk and hosiery mixed with silk (d) Clothing for women, not specified or included elsewhere (d) Collars and cuffs, shirt-fronts and dickies (d) Reams and small beams, sawn, 15 cm. or more thick including wood squared with the axe, of whatever thickness: (e) Others (b) Others (c) Carpentry work, and wheelwrights' work, shaped: (b) Other collars and wheelwrights' work, shaped: (e) Other collars and wheelwrights' work, shaped: (b) Other collars and wheelwrights' work, shaped: (c) Other collars and wheelwrights' work, shaped: (d) Machine belts of rubber, even if combined with fabric	584 (<i>b</i>)	٠,٠			
For walfs	1 7	Of one color	idem	69.00 82.80	
Clothing for women, not specified elsewhere 622 Collars and cuffe, shirt-fronts and dickies. Collars and cuffe, shirt-fronts and dickies. (a) Beams and small beams, sawn, 15 cm. or more thick including wood squared with the axe, of whatever thickness: I. Of oak, ash and walnut	(0)	For walls	idem		2-1 000 y
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(a) Beams and small beams, sawn, 15 cm. or more thick including wood squared with the axe, of whatever thickness: 1. Ot oak, ash and walnut	638	Conais and cans, sunt-nonts and dickies			1,000 kg.
1. Of oak, ash and walnut	(a)	Beams and small beams, sawn, 15 cm. or more thick including wood squared with the axe, of whatever			
(b) Others Cherical Conference of Oak, ash and walnut	н	Unickness: Of oak, ash and walnut	cubic meter	30.00	
1. Of oak, ash and walnut	(b) 2.	LS	idem	30.00	
672 Carpentry work, and wheelwrights' work, shaped: (b) Other other if combined with fabric and wheelwrights' work, shaped:	I.	Of oak, ash and walnut	idem	35.00	
ex 705 Machine belts of rubber, even if combined with fabric	5 672 (b)	Carpentry work, and wheelwrights' work, shaped:	100 kg. gross weight	8,05	
or with interwoven fabric		Machine belts of rubber, even if combined with fabric or with interwoven fabric	100 kg. net	250.00	

250.00	I,000.00 I,000.00	1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00	17.00 plus per valve socket: 8.50 17.00 plus per valve	socket : 8.50	935.00 1,062.50 1,190.00 1,530.00	12% 250.00 250.00
100 kg. net	Ioo kg. net idem	aa vatorem	kg. net	each	100 kg. net	ad valorem idem
Pipes and tubes of rubber of all kinds: Other	50 kg. or more: Calculating machines and component parts thereof Other. Covers, racks, stands, and other accessories for	Less than 50 kg. Less than 50 kg. Calculating machines and component parts thereof Other. Covers, racks, stands, and other accessories for office machines Radio-electric apparatus, for telegraphy, telephony,	Complete apparatus: With valves (tubes or bulbs)	Valves, tubes or bulbs (including valves, tubes or bulbs mounted on apparatus)	රි	motor vehicles, not specifically rated: Unworked. Worked: Explosion or internal combustion motors and gas turbines: Motors having at the same time more than 4 cylinders and more than 4 liters of cylinders and more than 4 liters of cylinders.
706 (b)	(a) 1. 2. 3.	(b) 1. 2. 3. 1088bis	(a) I. (b)	(d) 1100 (a)	2. B. C. D. E.	(a) (b) 1. A. B.

¹ The license tax shall not exceed 7.50 francs per 100 kg. (Footnote in the original.)
² The luxury tax on this article is canceled. (Footnote in the original.)

SCHEDULE I (Continued).

Numbers of the Belgian tariff	Name of commodity	Unit of collection	Applicable rate	Annual quotas allowed to be imported into the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union
2. 3. 5. 7. 8. 10. 11.	Motor cylinders of non-malleable cast iron. Motor heads, motor crank and other cases of non-malleable cast iron. Fly-wheels Change speed gear boxes. Steering gear with or without steering wheel. Clutches Back driving axles Shafts and semi-shafts: Clutch, cam, change, speed, transmission; grooved shafts, driving shafts, water pump shafts; gearing	Ioo kg. net idem	250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00	

¹ The luxury tax on this article is canceled. (Footnote in the original.)

SCHEDULE II.

Tariff Act of 1930 paragraph	Description of articles	Rates of duty
	Note: The provisions of this Schedule shall be construed and given the same effect, and the application of collateral provisions of the Customs laws of the United States to the provisions of this Schedule shall be determined insofar as may be practicable, as if each provision of this Schedule appeared respectively in the paragraph of the Tariff Act of 1930 noted in the column at the left of the respective descriptions of articles. In the case of articles enumerated in this Schedule, which are subject on the day of the signature of this Agreement to ordinary Customs duties imposed under provisions of law other than the paragraph of the Tariff Act of 1930 noted in the column at the left of the respective description of the article, or imposed under a proviso of the paragraph so noted, such separate or additional duties shall continue in force until terminated in accordance with law, but shall not be increased.	
20	Aluminum sulphate	0.2¢ lb. 0.2¢ lb. 0.5¢ lb.
24	Ground in oil (putty)	30¢ lb. and 18%
27	Naphthalene which after the removal of all water present has a solidifying point of seventy-nine degrees centigrade or above	3.5¢ lb. and 20% ad valorem
29 72 81	Cobalt sulphate	5¢ lb. 2.1¢ lb.
205 (b)	Containing by weight less than 45 per centum of water Not specially provided for	1¢ lb. 0.5¢ lb. 4.5¢ per 100 lbs inc. weight of container
207	Sand containing 95 per centum or more of silica and not more than six-tenths of 1 per centum of oxide of iron and suitable for use in the manufacture of glass	\$1 per ton
220	Laminated glass composed of layers of glass and other material or materials, and manufactures wholly or in chief value of such glass	45% ad valoren
222 (a)	Plate glass, by whatever process made: Not exceeding three hundred and eighty-four square inches. Above that, and not exceeding seven hundred and twenty square inches Above that, and not exceeding one thousand and eight square inches All above that	8.3¢ per sq. ft 11.3¢ per sq. ft 11.7¢ per sq. ft 13.2¢ per sq. ft
222 (b)	in thickness shall be subject to a less rate of duty than Plate glass containing a wire netting within itself: Not exceeding three hundred and eighty-four square inches Above that, and not exceeding seven hundred and twenty square inches All above that	10¢ per sq. ft. 13.2¢ per sq. ft 15.3¢ per sq. ft

Tariff Act of 1930 paragraph	Description of articles	Rates of duty
222 (d)	Rolled, cylinder, crown, and sheet glass, not plate glass, if ground wholly or in part (whether or not polished) otherwise than for the purpose of ornamentation, or if one-fourth of one inch or more in thickness and obscured by coloring prior to solidification	Subject to specific duties in 222 (a) or
	Provided, That none of the foregoing measuring one-half inch or more in thickness and not containing a wire netting within itself shall be subject to less than the following rates of duty: If ground wholly or in part (whether or not polished) otherwise	(b) above
231	than for the purpose of ornamentation	50% ad valorem 40% ad valorem 30% ad valorem
303	Muck bars, pieces thereof except crop ends, bar iron, and round iron in coils or rods, iron in slabs, blooms, loops, or other forms less finished than iron in bars and more advanced than pig iron, except	
304	castings; all the foregoing valued at not above 1 ½ cents per pound Steel ingots, cogged ingots, blooms and slabs, by whatever process made; billets and bars, whether solid or hollow, weighing more than thirty pounds per linear foot: Valued at not above 1 ½ cents per pound	0.25¢ lb. 0.25¢ lb. 0.375¢ lb.
304	Billets and bars, whether solid or hollow, weighing not more than thirty pounds per linear foot, and concrete reinforcement bars: Valued at not above 1 ½ cents per pound	0.25¢ lb.
304	Valued above 1 ½ and not above 2 ½ cents per pound Die blocks or blanks; shafting; pressed, sheared, or stamped shapes, not advanced in value or condition by any process or operation subsequent to the process of stamping; hammer molds or swaged steel; gun-barrel molds not in bars; all descriptions and shapes of dry sand, loam, or iron molded steel castings; sheets and plates and steel not specially provided for; all the foregoing:	0.4¢ lb.
307	Valued at not above 1 ½ cents per pound	0.25¢ lb. 0.4¢ lb.
308	Sheets of iron or steel, common or black, of whatever dimensions, and skelp iron or steel, valued at 3 cents per pound or less:	0.35¢ lb.
	Thinner than one hundred and nine one-thousandths and not thinner than thirty-eight one-thousandths of one inch	0.35¢ lb.
	twenty-two one-thousandths of one inch	0.45¢ lb.
	ten one-thousandths of one inch	0.60¢ lb. 0.70¢ lb.
	Corrugated or crimped	0.60¢ lb.

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312	Beams, girders, joists, angles, channels, car-truck channels, tees, columns and posts, or parts or sections of columns and posts, and deck and bulb beams, together with all other structural shapes of iron or steel; any of the foregoing machined, drilled, punched, assembled, fitted, fabricated for use, or otherwise advanced beyond	
314	hammering, rolling, or casting	15% ad valorem
315	fastenings, for baling cotton or any other commodity Wire rods: Rivet, screw, fence, and other iron or steel wire rods, whether round, oval, or square, or in any other shape, nail rods and flat rods up to six inches in width ready to be drawn or rolled into wire or strips, all the foregoing in coils or otherwise, valued at not over 2 ½ cents per pound	0.2g lb.
365	Shotguns: Valued at not more than \$5 each	75¢ each and 22 ½ % ad
	Valued at more than \$5 and not more than \$10 each	$\begin{array}{c c} valorem \\ \$2 & each & and \\ 22 & \frac{1}{2} & \% & ad \end{array}$
	Valued at more than \$10 and not more than \$25 each	valorem \$3 each and 22 ½ % ad valorem
	Valued at more than \$25 and not more than \$50 each	\$5 each and 22 ½ % ad valorem
	Valued at more than \$50 each	$32\frac{1}{2}\%$ ad value of the second
365	Barrels for shotguns, further advanced in manufacture than rough bored only	\$2 each and 25% ad va-
365	Stocks for shotguns, wholly or partly manufactured	lorem \$2.50 each and 25 % ad va- lorem
365	Parts of shotguns and fittings for shotgun stocks or barrels, finished or unfinished	27 ½ % ad va-
365	Shotguns imported without a lock or locks or other fittings	lorem \$5 each and 27 ½ % ad
365 742	Shotgun barrels, in single tubes, forged, rough bored Hothouse grapes in bulk, crates, barrels or other packages	valorem 5 % ad valorem 25¢ per cubic foot of such bulk or the capacity of the packages, according as imported.

Tariff Act of 1930 paragraph	Description of art cles	Rates of duty
769	Peas, prepared or preserved in any manner, valued at 10 cents or more per pound	1.5¢ lb. on entire contents of container.
774 776 907	Endives in their natural state	35% ad valorem
921	fiber, whether or not in part of india rubber	30% ad valorem
1001	Flax, not hackled, valued at \$340 or more per ton	ıø lb.
1005(a)(2)	Cordage, including cables, tarred or untarred, composed of three or more strands, each strand composed of two or more yarns, wholly or in chief value of sunn, or other bast fiber, but not including cordage made of jute	1.5¢ lb.
1009 <i>(b)</i>	Woven fabrics, such as are commonly used for paddings or interlinings in clothing, wholly or in chief value of flax, or hemp, or of which these substances or either of them is the component material of chief value, exceeding thirty and not exceeding one hundred and twenty threads to the square inch, counting the warp and filling, and weighing not less than four and one-half and not more than twelve ounces per square yard	.00/
1009 (c)	Woven fabrics, in the piece or otherwise, wholly or in chief value of vegetable fiber, except cotton, filled, coated, or otherwise prepared for use as artists' canyas	40% ad valorem 30% ad valorem
1010	Woven fabrics, not including articles finished or unfinished, of flax, hemp, ramie, or other vegetable fiber, except cotton, or of which these substances or any of them is the component material of chief value, not specially provided for	30% ad valorem
1109 (a)	Woven green billiard cloths, in the piece, weighing more than eleven ounces but not more than fifteen ounces per square yard, wholly of wool	50¢ lb. and 40%
1405	Vegetable parchment paper by whatever name known	ad valorem 2g lb. and 10%
1405	Sensitized paper, to be used in photography	ad valorem 22 ½ % ad va- lorem
1406	Transparencies, printed lithographically or otherwise: In not more than five printings (bronze printing to be counted as two printings)	30 % ad valorem
	printings)	37 ½ % ad va- lorem
1410	Unbound prayer books, bound prayer books except those bound wholly or in part in leather, and sheets or printed pages of prayer books bound wholly or in part in leather, all the foregoing not specially provided for, if of bona fide foreign authorship	7 ½ % ad va- lorem
	All other prayer books, not specially provided for	lorem 12 ½ % ad valorem

Tariff Act of 1930 paragraph	Description of articles	Rates of duty
	Provided, That none of the foregoing composed in chief value of india paper or bible paper shall be subjected by virtue of the first proviso of paragraph 1404 to a higher rate of duty than	3¢ lb. and 10% ad valorem
1413	Ribbon fly catchers or fly ribbons in chief value of paper	27 ½ % ad va- lorem
1501 <i>(c)</i>	Asbestos shingles and articles in part of asbestos, if containing hydraulic cement or hydraulic cement and other material:	iorem
1520	If not coated, impregnated, decorated, or colored, in any manner. If coated, impregnated, decorated, or colored, in any manner Hatters' furs, or furs not on the skin, prepared for hatters' use, including	o.60¢ lb. o.75¢ lb.
-3	fur skins carroted	27 ½ % ad va- lorem
1525	Hair felt, made wholly or in chief value of animal hair, and manufactures of hair felt, all the foregoing not specially provided for	20 % ad valorem
1529 (a)	Laces, lace fabrics, and lace articles, if exceeding two inches in width and made wholly by hand without the use of any machine-made material or article provided for in paragraph 1529 (a); articles made wholly of any of the foregoing; and articles, not wearing apparel, in part of any of the foregoing and containing no machine-made material or article provided for in paragraph 1529 (a); all the foregoing, finished or unfinished, however described and provided for in paragraph 1529 (a):	
1551 1551	Valued at more than \$50 and less than \$150 per pound	60% ad valorem 45% ad valorem 15% ad valorem $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ ad va-
1551	Motion-picture films, sensitized but not exposed or developed, having a width of one inch or more	o.2g per linear
	a within of one men of more	ft. of the standard width of 1 3/8 inches, and all other widths of one inch or more shall be subject to duty in equal proportion thereto.
1606 (a) and (b)	Horses	Free, subject to the provisions of para. 1606
1651 1685 1685	Dead or creosote oil	(a) and (b). Free Free
1689	an ingredient in the manufacture of fertilizers	Free Free

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(r) In the event that a wide variation occurs in the rate of exchange between the currencies of the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union and the United States of America, the Government of either country, if it considers that such variation is of a nature to prejudice the industries or the commerce of the country, shall have the right to propose that negotiations be opened with a view to modifying the Agreement or terminating it on

30 days' written notice;

(2) Each of the two Governments reserves the right to withdraw the concession granted on any article under this Agreement, or to impose quantitative restrictions on the importation of such article, if at any time there should be evidence that, as a result of the extension of such concession to third countries, the latter will obtain the major benefit of such concession and that, in consequence thereof, an unduly large increase of the importations of such article will take place; provided that before availing itself of the right above mentioned, the Government concerned shall give notice in writing to the other Government of its intention to do so, and shall furnish such other Government an opportunity, within 30 days after the receipt of such notice, to consult with it in regard to the measures that it proposes to take; and if an agreement is not reached with respect thereto within 30 days following receipt of the aforesaid notice, the Government which proposes to take the measures in question shall have the right to do so at any time thereafter, and the other Government shall have the right, within 15 days after such measures have been put into effect, to terminate this Agreement in its entirety on 30 days' written notice.

The provisions of this Agreement shall be supplemented, as soon as possible, by provisions of a general character relative to the treatment to be accorded in each of the two countries to the

commerce of the other.

As long as the present Agreement shall remain in force, it shall supersede any provisions of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United States of America and His Majesty the King of the Belgians concluded March 8, 1875, which may be inconsistent with the said Agreement. However, upon the expiration of the present Agreement, the provisions of the aforesaid Treaty of 1875 which have been temporarily superseded shall automatically resume operation, and shall continue in full force and effect, subject to termination as provided in that Treaty.

I take this occasion to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

To His Excellency
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P. FORTHOMME, Head of the Belgian Delegation.

(Here follow Schedules I and II, as printed on pages 30 to 39 of this Volume.)