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FRANCE ET ITALIE

Avenant aux accords commerciaux en vigueur entre le Royaume d'Italie et la République française, avec protocole de signature, signés à Rome, le 29 mai 1926, et échange de notes y relatif, Rome, le 29 mai et Paris, le 14 août 1926.

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Supplementary Agreement to the Commercial Agreements in force between the Kingdom of Italy and the French Republic, with Protocol of Signature, signed at Rome, May 29, 1926, and Exchange of Notes relating thereto, Rome, May 29, and Paris, August 14, 1926.

¹ TRADUCTION. — TRANSLATION.

No. 1473. — SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENT² TO THE COMMERCIAL AGREEMENTS IN FORCE BETWEEN THE KINGDOM OF ITALY AND THE FRENCH REPUBLIC. SIGNED AT ROME, MAY 29, 1926.

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THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF ITALY and THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC, desiring in a friendly spirit to strengthen as far as possible the economic bonds between the two countries, have resolved to make certain alterations in the Convention³ of November 21, 1898, which was prolonged by the Commercial Arrangement of November 13, 1922, and in the Agreement⁴ relating to the Customs Régime Applicable to Silk Goods and Silk Manufactures of July 28, 1923, as completed by the Exchange of Notes of December 29, 1923, and January 10, 1924. For this purpose they have agreed on the following provisions :

Article 1.

The products originating in and coming from Italy, enumerated in the annexed list A shall, on importation into France, enjoy the specific duties and coefficients which are fixed therein under the conditions laid down in Article 3 of the Arrangement of November 13, 1922. The increase established by the French law of April 6, 1926, shall only be applicable in the cases and in the proportions specified in the said list.

The products originating in and coming from Italy, enumerated in the annexed list B shall, without prejudice to the provisions of Article 3 of the said Arrangement which shall continue to apply to them, be subject to the increase established by the law of April 6, 1926.

Article 2.

The products originating in and coming from Italy, enumerated in the annexed list C, shall, on importation into France, enjoy the specific duties and coefficients of the minimum tariff, of which the rates are reproduced in the said list. These duties shall remain applicable unless the price of the said products shall have risen 20 % on the French market in comparison with the prices prevailing at the date of the present Agreement.

¹ Traduit par le Secrétariat de la Société des Nations.

¹ Translated by the Secretariat of the League of Nations.

² The exchange of ratifications took place at Rome, May 16, 1927.

³ *British and Foreign State Papers*, Vol. 101, page 317.

⁴ Vol. XLIII, page 431, of this Series.

If a rise in price of more than 20 % occurs, the duties and coefficients may be increased, provided, however, that the margin of protection afforded to the product, as shown by the proportion between the amount of the duty stated in list C and the current price of the goods at the time of signing the present document, is not widened.

Article 3.

Fresh grape-juice half-fermented up to 2° of acquired alcohol, and wines produced from fresh grapes so-called "filtrés doux", containing from 2° to 5.9° of acquired alcohol, shall, on importation into France, be admitted under the tariff applicable to ordinary wines (No. 171 of the Tariff) on condition that the total alcoholic content, including both the acquired alcohol and the reducing sugar, shall not exceed 12°. If the alcoholic content of such half-fermented grape-juice and wines exceeds 12°, they shall be admitted under the tariff applicable to mistelas (No. 171 (b) of the Tariff).

Article 4.

The High Contracting Parties shall apply to the silk goods and silk manufactures which are the subject of the Agreement of July 28, 1923, the duties and coefficients specified in the annexed list D for products originating in and coming from France, and those specified in the annexed list E for products originating in and coming from Italy. The duties and coefficients fixed for importation into France do not include the 30 % increase established by the law of April 6, 1926.

The Italian Government shall have the right to increase the duties specified in list D for velvets and plushes, if conditions of home production warrant such a measure. In this case the French Government shall similarly have the right to increase the duties and coefficients applicable under list E to the said products, without altering the relation, as defined in Article 4 of the Agreement of July 28, 1923, between the corresponding French and Italian duties.

As in the French tariff the duties on hand-made lace are 75 % higher than those applicable to machine-made lace, the Italian Government for its part reserves the right to modify the Customs treatment at present applicable to hand-made lace, but it shall not be authorised to impose a duty more than 75 % above the duty fixed by the present Agreement for machine-made lace.

Article 5.

The products originating in and coming from France, enumerated in the annexed list F, shall, on importation into Italy, benefit by the duties and coefficients provided in the said list, or by any more favourable treatment which Italy grants or may grant to similar products of third Powers.

Article 6.

The manufacturing surtax on alcohol, which in addition to the Customs duty is applicable to portable spirits in casks originating in and coming from France and imported into Italy, shall be applied on the basis of the actual quantity of alcohol contained therein. If the said spirits originating in and coming from France are imported in bottles, the manufacturing surtax on alcohol shall be paid on the basis of a 50° alcoholic content, the Italian Government reserving the right to verify this content and, if it exceeds 50°, to calculate the surtax on the real alcoholic strength.

Article 7.

The Italian and French Governments undertake, within a period of three months after the entry into force of this Agreement, to study the question of substituting a new import régime

relating to pharmaceutical specialities for that established by the Exchange of Notes of October 12 and 13, 1907, as well as the question of what tariff rates may be applied in both countries to such products. During these negotiations, the system established by the Exchange of Notes¹ of October 12 and 13, 1907, shall be maintained temporarily.

Article 8.

All the provisions of the Convention of November 21, 1898, of the Arrangement of November 13, 1922, and of the special Agreement relating to the Customs Régime applicable to Silk Goods and Silk Manufactures of July 28, 1923, shall be maintained in favour of the alterations established by the present Agreement.

Article 9.

The present Agreement shall be ratified, and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Rome. It shall come into force ten days after the exchange of ratifications, and shall remain in force for the same period as the Commercial Convention of 1898, the Supplementary Commercial Arrangement of November 13, 1922, and the Special Agreement relating to the Customs Régime Applicable to Silk Goods and Silk Manufactures of July 28, 1923.

In faith whereof the Delegate of THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT :

His Excellency Benito MUSSOLINI, Head of the Government, Prime Minister, Secretary of State, and Minister for Foreign Affairs :

And the Delegates of THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT :

His Excellency René BESNARD, Ambassador of the French Republic to His Majesty the King of Italy :

M. Daniel SERRUYS, Director of Commercial Agreements at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry,

Being duly authorised for the purpose, have signed the present document, done in duplicate, and have affixed their seals thereto.

Done at Rome, May 29, 1926.

(L. S.) Benito MUSSOLINI.

(L. S.) René BESNARD.

(L. S.) D. SERRUYS.

¹ *British and Foreign State Papers*, Vol. 101, page 418.

LIST B.

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature
ex 17(b)	Pork butchers' produce : salami, Bologna sausages, pigs' trotters, and sausage meat.
ex 36	Cheeses known as : Gorgonzola, Reggiano, Parmesan, Fontina, Bel-Paese.
80	Dried vegetables.
ex 84	Fresh table fruit (lemons, oranges, cedrats and their varieties ; mandarin oranges and so-called " Chinois " ; table grapes ; peaches and apricots).
ex 85	Dried table fruits (figs, almonds and hazel-nuts ; pistachio nuts).
ex 158	Fresh vegetables.
171	Wines.
ex 171 (b)	Liqueur wines, vermouth, produced from fresh grapes.
ex 175	Marble, sculptured, polished, moulded or otherwise worked, not included in List A.
ex 189	Sulphur, pulverised, purified, refined, sublimated.
0216	Tartrates of potash.
524	Dynamo-electric machines.
591	Furniture other than of bent wood ; chairs, (five items).
592-592 (b)	Furniture other than of bent wood ; other than chairs.
612	Hats, shapes and tops of hats, of straw, bark, esparto, palm fibre, except hats, shapes or tops of hats made of wood shavings.
626	Hats of hair felt, and of wood and hair felt.
627	Hats of wool felt.

LIST C.

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Duty	Coefficient of increase	
79	Rice :		Fr. C.		
	In the husk	100 kg.	3.—	—	With an increase of 10 %
	Broken rice	id.	6.—	—	With an increase of 10 %
	Whole rice, flour and grits	id.	8.—	3.—	With an increase of 10 %
ex 110	Pure olive oils, fixed, intended for the the manufacture of soap	id.	3.—	3.—	With an increase of 10 %
ex 112	Volatile oils or essences, of lemon, bergamot, orange, mandarin	id.	50.—	—	No increase
ex 170	Natural cut flowers, forced or not, of any kind, however packed	id.	200.—	—	No increase
0215	Tartaric acid	id.	12.—	1.9	No increase

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Duty	Coefficient of increase	
ex 0230	Citric acid :		Fr. C.		
ex 363	Crystallised	100 kg.	50.—	2.4	No increase
	Hemped threads, pure, unglazed, single, measuring per kg. : in single thread :				
	(a) In skeins :				
	2,000 metres or less	kg.	0.16	4.5	No increase
	More than 2,000 metres but not more than 5,000 metres	id.	0.18	4.5	No increase
	More than 5,000 metres but not more than 10,000 metres	id.	0.23	4.5	No increase
	More than 10,000 metres but not more than 20,000 metres	id.	0.33	4.5	No increase
	More than 20,000 metres but not more than 30,000 metres	id.	0.40	4.5	No increase
	More than 30,000 metres but not more than 40,000 metres	id.	0.50	4.5	No increase
	More than 40,000 metres but not more than 60,000 metres	id.	0.70	4.5	No increase
	More than 60,000 metres but not more than 120,000 metres	id.	1.—	2.8	No increase
	More than 120,000 metres	id.	1.25	2.8	No increase
	(b) In balls, on cards, or otherwise :				
	2,000 metres or less	id.	0.20	4.2	No increase
	More than 2,000 metres but not more than 5,000 metres	id.	0.23	4.2	No increase
	More than 5,000 metres but not more than 10,000 metres	id.	0.29	4.2	No increase
	More than 10,000 metres but not more than 20,000 metres	id.	0.41	4.2	No increase
	More than 20,000 metres but not more than 30,000 metres	id.	0.50	4.2	No increase
	More than 30,000 metres but not more than 40,000 metres	id.	0.63	4.2	No increase
	More than 40,000 metres but not more than 60,000 metres	id.	0.88	4.2	No increase
	More than 60,000 metres but not more than 120,000 metres	id.	1.25	4.2	No increase
	More than 120,000 metres	id.	1.56	4.2	No increase
ex 645	Buttons of corozzo or of moulded or turned horn.	100 kg.	300.—	2.9	No increase

LIST D.

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
Gold Lire		
Silk :		
In cocoons :		
Compressed, fresh	kg.	free
Dried	id.	free
Silk threads :		
Unbleached :		
Raw silk	id.	free
Silk worked or thrown in hanks, skeins, balls, reels, "roquets", cylinders, spindles, tubes, etc., not prepared for retail sale :		
Measuring, single or twisted, more than 40,000 metres to the kg. :		
(a) Woofs with two or more ends	id.	free
(b) Thrown silk two or more ends, with nap	id.	free
(c) Special finishings ¹	id.	free
Measuring, single or twisted, 40,000 metres or less to the kg.	id.	free
Scoured, bleached, dyed, printed, clouded, etc. :		
Measuring, single or twisted, more than 40,000 metres to the kg.	id.	1.—
Measuring single or twisted 40,000 metres or less to the kg. . .	id.	1.—
The same threads in skeins, balls, on cards or reels or other forms of mercery, and for needlework, prepared for retail sale	id.	6.—
With admixture of any other material in any proportion . . .	—	Tariff applicable to threads of the most highly taxed material.
Floss silk :		
In the mass (pierced cocoons, and all other cocoons useless for winding, all kinds of waste of cocoons, warp and thread ends, and all kinds of thread remnants, floss silk, floss silk waste, and other similar products)		free
Combed or carded or unravelled :		
In fragments of cloth, or in cloths :		
Pure	id.	0.10
With admixture of any other material in any proportion. . .	—	Tariff applicable to the most highly taxed material.
In ribbons or braids, <i>i.e.</i> having been worked after combing, with or without torsion, for spinning	—	Tariff applicable to threads of floss silk or threads of floss silk waste according to kind.

¹ By special finishings are meant all silk wares with one or more ends that have received a torsion of 1,000 or more turns per metre, in hanks or skeins, on tubes, reels and cylinders even if the threads are tinted to show the degree of torsion.

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
Gold Lire		
Threads of floss silk (schappe) :		
Pure :		
In ordinary skeins, on tubes, spindles, cylinders or reels, including the warp, not prepared for retail sale :		
Unbleached or well bleached or blued in floss, including threads of schappe, so-called multicoloured, and threads only tinted to show their degree of torsion :		
Single, measuring to the kg. :		
Up to 80,500 metres	—	0.35
More than 80,500 metres	—	0.70
Twisted, measuring to the kg. in single thread :		
Up to 80,500 metres	kg.	0.45
More than 80,500 metres	id.	0.80
Scoured or bleached in threads, or dyed	id.	Above - mentioned duties according to kind, increased by 0.50.
In skeins, balls, cards, reels, or other kinds of mercery and for needlework, prepared for retail sale	id.	3.—
With admixture of any other material in any proportion	id.	Tariff applicable to threads of the most highly taxed material.
Threads of floss silk waste :		
Pure :		
Unbleached or well bleached or blued in floss :		
Single, measuring to the kg. :		
Up to 30,500 metres	id.	0.15
More than 30,500 metres	id.	0.30
Twisted, measuring to the kg. in single thread :		
Up to 30,500 metres	id.	0.20
More than 30,500 metres	id.	0.35
Scoured or bleached in threads, or dyed	id.	Above - mentioned duties according to kind, increased by 0.30.
With admixture of any other material in any other proportion	id.	Tariff applicable to threads of the most highly taxed material.
Silk tissues, or tissues of pure floss silk (schappe) or tissues with admixture of these two materials, or other textile materials, the silk or the silk floss predominating in weight :		
I. Crêpes :		
Mourning crêpe	id.	Same duties as for other crêpes.
Others, including sanitary crêpe weighing to the square metre :		
A) 50 grammes or less :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	9.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	10.—
(c) Figured, <i>i.e.</i> with designs, figure-weaving and armure effects obtained by weaving with more than 24 healds: additional duty for each category	id.	1.—

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
		Gold Lire
B) More than 50 grammes :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (see description above) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
II. Plain Tulles ¹ :		
A) Weighing 10 grammes or less to the square metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	11.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed, without finishing	id.	11.50
(c) Dyed with finishing	id.	12.—
(d) Ornamented, <i>i.e.</i> provided with various patterns not in the nature of embroidery, including chenille tulles	id.	12.50
B) Weighing more than 10 grammes to the square metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	7.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed, without finishing	id.	7.50
(c) Dyed with finishing	id.	8.—
(d) Ornamented (see description above)	id.	8.50
III. Velvets and plushes other than ribbons :		
A) Weighing 120 grs. or less to the sq. m. :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	12.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	13.—
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes) ; additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
B) Weighing more than 120 grs. to the sq. m. :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	10.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	11.—
(c) Figured (see description above) : additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
IV. Muslins, grenadines, voiles and the like, gauze and bunting :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	6.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	7.—
(c) Figured or figure-woven with gauze-point, openwork, insertions, openwork stripes and other similar effects, even with plain parts : additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
V. Special plain gauze for bolting :		
(a) Not made up	id.	12.—
(b) Made up	id.	10.—
VI. Close-woven tissues, foulards and all other tissues not specified in paragraphs I, II, III, IV and V :		
A) Weighing 60 grammes or less to the square metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
B) Weighing more than 60 grammes to the square metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.—

¹ By plain tulles are meant those without patterns, *i. e.*, those which are made simply with the standard mesh for tulles.

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
		Gold Lire
VII. Ribbons :		
A) Velvet and plush, including chenille in bands :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	12. —
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	12.50
(c) Figured, <i>i.e.</i> with designs, figure-weaving (any process) letters, armure effects obtained by weaving with more than 24 healds, spangling effects, "bouclage" and other similar effects : additional duty for each category	id.	2.50
B) Others :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	8. —
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	8.50
(c) Figured, <i>i.e.</i> with designs, figure weaving and armure effects obtained by weaving with more than 24 healds, or with gauze-point, openwork, insertions, openwork stripes or other similar affects, even with plain parts : additional duty for each category	id.	2. —
VIII. Machine-made lace and figured tulle, including scarves, Andalusian and "Spanish" shawls ¹ :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	25. —
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	25. —
Tissues of floss silk waste, pure or mixed with other textile materials, but floss silk waste predominating in weight :		
A) Stuffs weighing 250 grammes or less to the square metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	3. —
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	3.50
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes of floss silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	0.50
B) Stuffs weighing more than 250 grammes to the square metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	2. —
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2.50
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes of floss silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	0.50
Tissues and trimmings with gold, silver or any other metal mixed with textiles ² :		
I. Silk or floss silk (schappe) predominating in weight :		
A) Trimmings with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	12. —
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	13. —

¹ By figured tulle are meant tulle on which the design is worked by a mechanical method, *i. e.*, tulle with plain net or with any armures on which any design is worked with Jacquard looms ; spotted tulle or tulle with any other decoration made with the threads of the tulle by any mechanical method.

² The description "fine metal" applies to threads of precious metal, gilt, silvered or coated with platinum by plating or otherwise. These threads usually take the form of wire (round threads), foil (flat threads) or "filé" (foil rolled round a core of textile material).

"Half-fine" applies particularly to the article wire, (foil, filé, etc.) in non-precious metal, silvered gilt or coated with platinum.

"Imitation" applies to the same article in yellow-coloured metal, *i. e.*, imitation gilt or whitened, *i. e.* imitation silver or platinum coating.

The textile threads which constitute the core of the wire or filé, etc., are treated as metal in determining the predominating material.

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
		Gold Lire
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	6.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	6.50
B) Crêpes with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	14.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	16.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) : additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	7.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	8.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
C) All other tissues with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	12.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	13.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) : Additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
(2) Half fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	6.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	6.50
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of tissue) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
II. Artificial silk or similar materials predominating in weight :		
A) Trimmings with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	10.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	11.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
B) Crêpes with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	12.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	13.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) : additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	6.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	6.50
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
C) All other tissues with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	10.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	11.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) : additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.50

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
		Gold Lire
III. Wool, cotton or other textiles predominating in weight :		
A) Trimmings with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	8.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	9.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.—
(b) Scoured, bleached and dyed	id.	4.50
B) Crêpes with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	9.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	10.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	2.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
C) All other tissues with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	8.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	9.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	2.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	4.50
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
IV. Metal predominating in weight.		
A) Trimmings with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	10.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	11.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
B) Crêpes with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	12.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	13.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	6.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	6.50
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
C) All other tissues with metal :		
(1) Fine :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	10.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	11.—
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	3.—

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
		Gold Lire
(2) Half-fine or imitation :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (see description above according to the category of the tissue) ; additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
Tissues of artificial silk, or of materials similar to pure artificial silk, or artificial silk with admixture of silk, floss silk (schappe) or other textiles, the artificial silk predominating in weight :		
I. Crêpes :		
— Mourning crêpe	id.	Same duties as for other crêpes.
— Others, including sanitary crêpe used, weighing per sq. metre :		
A) 75 gr. or less :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	7.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	8.—
(c) Figured, <i>i.e.</i> , with designs, figure-weaving, armure effects, obtained by weaving with more than 24 healds : additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
B) More than 75 gr. :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.25
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	4.75
(c) Figured (see description above) : additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
II. Plain Tulles ¹ :		
A) Weighing 20 gr. or less to the sq. metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	8.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed, without finishing	id.	9.—
(c) Dyed with finishing	id.	9.50
(d) Ornamented, <i>i. e.</i> , provided with various patterns not in the nature of embroidery, including chenille tulles	id.	10.—
B) Weighing more than 20 gr. to the sq. metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed, without finishing	id.	6.—
(c) Dyed and finished	id.	6.50
(d) Ornamented (see description above)	id.	7.—
III. Velvets and plushes, other than ribbons :		
A) Weighing 240 gr. or less to the sq. metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	11.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	12.—
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes) : Additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
B) Weighing more than 240 gr. to the sq. metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	9.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	10.—
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes) : Additional duty for each category	id.	3.—
IV. Muslins, grenadines, voiles and the like, gauze and bunting :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	5.50

¹ See description of plain tulles of pure silk.

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		Gold Lire
(c) Figured or figure-woven with gauze-point, openwork, insertions, openwork stripes and other similar effects, even with plain parts : additional duty for each category	Kg.	1.—
V. Close-woven tissues, foulards, and all other tissues not specified in paragraphs I, II, III and IV :		
A) Weighing 90 gr. or less to the sq. metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	4.50
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes) : Additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
B) Weighing more than 90 gr. to the sq. metre :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	4.50
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes) : Additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
VI. Ribbons :		
A) Velvet and plush, including chenille in bands :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	11.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	11.50
(c) Figured (same description as for velvet ribbons of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	2.—
B) Others :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	6.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	7.—
(c) Figured (same description as for other ribbons of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	2.—
VII. Machine-made lace and figured tulles, including scarves, Andalusian and " Spanish " shawls ¹		
(a) Unbleached	id.	19.25
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	19.25
Tissues of silk, floss silk (schappe) or artificial silk with admixture of cotton, the cotton predominating in weight.		
Silk, floss silk (schappe) and cotton :		
I. Crêpes :		
— Mourning crêpe	id.	Same duties as for other crêpes.
— Others, including sanitary crêpe	id.	
(a) Unbleached	id.	6.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	7.—
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
II. Muslins, grenadines, voiles and the like, gauze and bunting :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (same description as for muslins, etc., of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	1.—
III. Velvets, plushes and sealskin :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	8.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	9.—
(c) Figured (same description as for velvet of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	3.—

¹ See description of figured tulles of pure silk.

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		Gold Lire
IV. Ribbons :		
A) Velvet and plush :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	9.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	9.50
(c) Figured (same description as for velvet ribbons of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	2.—
B) Others :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	5.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	5.50
(c) Figured (same description as for other ribbons of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	1.50
V. Close-woven tissues, foulards, and all other tissues not specified in Paragraphs I, II, III, IV, containing in silk or silk floss :		
A) Less than 3 % of the total weight of the stuff, or tissues of the categories mentioned below, used normally in the cotton industry and generally employed for lingerie, underwear and embroidery, or all other similar articles, such as cotton cloth, Oxford cloth, zephyrs, etc., even when these tissues only contain stripes or other effects with silk or floss silk threads		
	id.	Conventional duties applicable to cotton tissues.
B) 3 % or more, up to 12 %, inclusively :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	2.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	2.50
(c) Figured (same description as for close-woven tissues of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.25
C) More than 12 % and less than 50 % :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	3.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	3.50
(c) Figured (same description as for close-woven tissues of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.50
Artificial silk and cotton :		
I. Crêpes :		
-- Mourning crêpe		
		Same duties as for other crêpes.
-- Others including sanitary crêpe		
(a) Unbleached	id.	6.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	6.50
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes of pure silk) : Addi- tional duty for each category	id.	1.—
II. Muslins, grenadines, voiles and the like, gauze and bunting :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	5.—
(c) Figured (same description as for muslins of pure silk) : Addi- tional duty for each category	id.	1.—
III. Velvets, plushes and sealskin :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	8.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	8.50
(c) Figured (same description as for velvets of pure silk) : Addi- tional duty for each category	id.	2.50

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
		Gold Lire
IV. Ribbons :		
A) Velvet and plush :		
(a) Unbleached	kg.	8.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	9.—
(c) Figured (same description as for velvet ribbons of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	1.75
B) Others :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	5.—
(c) Figured (same description as for other ribbons of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	1.25
V. Close-woven tissues, foulards and all other tissues not specified in paragraphs I, II, III, IV containing in artificial silk :		
A) Less than 5 % of the total weight of the stuff, or tissues of the categories mentioned below which are used normally in the cotton industry and are generally employed for lingerie, underwear and embroideries, or all other similar articles such as cotton cloth, Oxford cloth, zephyrs, etc., even when these tissues only contain stripes or other effects with threads of artificial silk		
	id.	Conventional duties relating to cotton tissues.
B) 5 % and more up to 20 % inclusive :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	1.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	2.15
(c) Figured (same description as close-woven tissues of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.25
C) More than 20 % and less than 50 % :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	2.50
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	3.—
(c) Figured (same description as for close-woven tissues of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.50
Tissues of silk or of floss silk (schappe) or of artificial silk with admixture of wool, the wool predominating in weight :		
I. Tissues of silk or of floss silk (schappe) with admixture of wool :		
A) Crêpes :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	4.—
(b) Scoured, bleached, or dyed	id.	5.—
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.50
B) All other tissues :		
(a) Unbleached		3.50
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	4.—
(c) Figured (same description as for tissues of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.50
II. Tissues of artificial silk with admixture of wool :		
A) Crêpes :		
(a) Unbleached	id.	3.75
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	4.75
(c) Figured (same description as for crêpes of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.50

Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Italian Tariff
B) All other tissues :		Gold Lire
(a) Unbleached	kg.	3.25
(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	3.75
(c) Figured (see description as for tissue of pure silk) : Additional duty for each category	id.	0.50
Figured tissues of silk, floss silk (schappe) ; floss silk waste, or artificial silk, pure or mixed :		
Duty applicable to dyed tissues according to kind increased per sq. m.	id.	0.15
Gold and silver threads, purls, wires, foil, leaf, openwork and spangles ¹ :		
(a) In fine metal	id.	13.—
(b) In half-fine or imitation metal	id.	6.50

¹ Under this heading are included :

(1) Gold and silver threads consisting of a thread, foil, leaf, wire etc. in metal "filé" or rolled round wire, etc., in metal "filé" on textile silk, or in textile thread "filé" or rolled on silk, silk floss, artificial silk, wool, hair, cotton, flax, cellulose "textilose" or other textiles ;

(2) Threads, foil, leaves, etc., of metal with admixture of textiles or of textile threads, whatever the proportion of such admixture ;

(3) Purls, open-work and spangles of metal.

The term "fine metal" is applied to precious metal whether or not it is gilt, silvered or coated with platinum by plating or otherwise. Half-fine metal is non-precious metal which has been gilt, silvered or coated with platinum.

Imitation metal is non-precious metal not gilt, silvered or coated with platinum, imitating or not metal which has been gilt, silvered or coated with platinum.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

(1) Goffered or stamped tissues shall be treated on the same footing as figured tissues.

(2) Tissues of silk, floss silk (schappe), floss silk waste and artificial silk of the categories specified in the above schedule, with admixture of textile materials (other than cotton and wool), these materials predominating in weight, shall be treated on the same footing as tissues of silk, floss silk or artificial silk of the same categories with admixture of cotton, the cotton predominating in weight.

(3) All tissues of silk, floss silk (schappe), or artificial silk with admixture of cotton, even with metal, the cotton predominating in weight and which belong to the categories specified in the above schedule, shall be subject to the tariff rates fixed in that schedule, whatever may be the proportion of silk or artificial silk entering into the composition of the said tissues.

LIST E.

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
ex 27	Silk :			Fr. c.
	In cocoons :			
	Compressed, fresh	---	---	Free
	Dried	---	---	Free
ex 27 380	Silk threads :			
	Unbleached :			
	Raw silk	---	---	Free
	Silk worked or thrown in hanks, skeins, balls, reels, "roquets", cylinders, spindles, tubes, etc., not prepared for retail sale :			
	Measuring, single or twisted, more than 40,000 metres to the kg.			
	(a) Woofs with two or more ends	kg.	2	1.---
	(b) Thrown silk with two or more ends, with nap	id.	2	1.50
	(c) Special finishings ¹	id.	2	2.40
	Measuring single or twisted, 40,000 metres or less to the kg.	id.	2	3.---
	Scoured, bleached, dyed, printed, clouded, etc. Measuring, single or twisted, more than 40,000 metres to the kg.	id.	2	Above-men- tioned duties according to kind increased by 1.25.
	Measuring, single or twisted, 40,000 m. or less to the kg.	id.	2	Above-mention- ed duties ac- cording to kind increased by 2.50.
	The same threads in skeins, balls, on cards or reels or other forms of mercery and for needle- work, prepared for retail sale	id.	2	Duties applic- able to threads of 40,000 m. or less increas- ed by 8.
	With admixture of any other material in any proportion	id.	---	Tariff applicable to threads of the most high- ly taxed mate- rial.

¹ By special finishings are meant all silk wares with one or more ends which have received a torsion of 1,000 or more turns per metre, in hanks or skeins, on tubes, reels or cylinders, even if the threads are tinted to show the degree of torsion.

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
ex 27	<p>Floss silk :</p> <p>In the mass (pierced cocoons and all other cocoons useless for winding, all kinds of waste of cocoons, warp and thread ends and all kinds of thread remnants, floss silk, floss silk waste, and other similar products)</p> <p>Combed or carded or unravelled :</p> <p>In fragments of cloth or in cloths :</p> <p>Pure</p> <p>With admixture of any other material in any proportion</p> <p>In ribbons or braids, that is to say, having been worked after combing, with or without torsion, for spinning</p>	<p>kg.</p> <p>id.</p> <p>—</p>	<p>—</p> <p>2</p> <p>—</p>	<p>Fr. c.</p> <p>Free</p> <p>0.10</p> <p>Tariff of the material subject to the highest tax.</p> <p>Tariff of threads of floss silk or of silk according to kind employed.</p>
379	<p>Threads of floss silk (schappe) :</p> <p>Pure :</p> <p>In ordinary skeins, on tubes, spindles, cylinders or reels including warp, not prepared for retail sale :</p> <p>Unbleached or well-bleached or blued in floss including threads of schappe so-called multi-coloured, and threads only tinted to show their degree of torsion :</p> <p>Single, measuring per kg. :</p> <p>Up to 80,500 metres</p> <p>More than 80,500 metres</p> <p>Twisted, measuring per kg. in single thread :</p> <p>Up to 80,500 metres</p> <p>More than 80,500 metres</p> <p>The same threads scoured or bleached in threads or dyed</p> <p>In skeins, balls, on cards, reels or other forms of mercery and for needlework, prepared for retail sale</p> <p>With admixture of any other material in any proportion</p>	<p>id.</p> <p>id.</p> <p>id.</p> <p>id.</p> <p>id.</p> <p>id.</p> <p>id.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>	<p>1.15</p> <p>1.80</p> <p>1.30</p> <p>2.10</p> <p>Above-mentioned duties according to kind increased by 1.25.</p> <p>Above-mentioned duties according to kind increased by 5.</p> <p>Tariff applicable to threads of the most highly taxed material.</p>

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
				Fr. c.
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed, without finishing	kg.	2	14.25
	(c) Dyed with finishing	id.	2	15.—
	(d) Ornamented <i>i. e.</i> provided with various patterns not in the nature of embroidery, including chenille tulles	id.	2	15.75
	B) Weighing more than 10 grammes to the square metre :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed without finishing	id.	2	8.25
	(c) Dyed with finishing	id.	2	9.—
	(d) Ornamented (see description for tulles of 10 grammes or less)	id.	2	9.75
	III. Velvets and plushes other than ribbons :			
	A) Weighing 120 grammes or less to the square metre :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	14.25
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed, even goffered or stamped	id.	2	15.—
	(c) Figured (see description for crêpes) : Additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	B) Weighing more than 120 grammes to the square metre :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	11.25
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed, even goffered or stamped	id.	2	12.—
	(c) Figured (see description for crêpes) : Additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	IV. Muslins, grenadines, voiles and the like, gauze and bunting :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	10.50
	(c) Figured or figure-woven with gauze-point, openwork, insertions, openwork stripes and other similar effects, even with plain parts : Additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	V. Special plain gauze for bolting :			
	(a) Not made up	id.	2	18.—
	(b) Made up	id.	2	15.—
	VI. Close-woven tissues, foulards and all other tissues not specified in paragraphs I, II, III, IV, V, VII, VIII :			
	A) Weighing 60 grammes or less to the square metre :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	8.25
	(c) Figured (see description for crêpes) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
				Fr. c.
	B) Weighing more than 60 grammes to the square metre :			
	(a) Unbleached	kg.	2	6.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	6.75
	(c) Figured (see description for crêpes) : additional duty for each category . .	id.	2	1.50
	VII. Ribbons :			
	A) Velvets and plushes, including chenille in bands :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	18.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	18.75
	(c) Figured, <i>i. e.</i> with designs or figure-weaving obtained by any process, letters or armure effects obtained by weaving with more than 24 healds, spangling effects, bouclage and other similar effects : additional duty for each category . . .	id.	2	3.75
	B) Others :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	12.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	12.75
	(c) Figured, <i>i. e.</i> with designs, figure-weaving and armure effects obtained by weaving with more than 24 healds, or with gauze-point, openwork, insertions, openwork stripes or other similar effects, even with plain parts : additional duty for each category	id.	2	3.—
	VIII. Machine-made lace and figured tulle ¹ , including spotted tulle, scarves, Andalusian and " Spanish " shawls :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	45.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	55.—
	Tissues of floss silk waste, pure or mixed with other textile materials, but floss silk waste predominating in weight, other than hosiery or trimmings :			
	A) Stuffs weighing 250 grammes or less to the square metre :			
	(a) Unbleached.	id.	2	3.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	4.50
	(c) Figured (see description for crêpes of floss silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.75

¹ By figured tulle are meant all tulle on which the design is worked by a mechanical method, *i. e.*, tulle with plain net or with any armures on which any design is worked with Jacquard looms ; spotted tulle or tulle with any other decoration made with the threads of the tulle by any mechanical method.

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
				Fr. c.
	B) Stuffs weighing more than 250 grammes to the square metre :			
	(a) Unbleached	kg.	2	3.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	3.75
	(c) Figured (see description for crêpes of floss silk) : additional duty for each category.	id.	2	0.75
	C) Lace, tulle, ribbons, velvets and plushes .			Tariff of the corresponding articles in silk or floss silk.
	Tissues and trimmings with gold, silver or any other metal mixed with textiles, other than hosiery and lace ¹ :			
	I. Silk or floss silk (schappe) predominating in weight :			
	A) Trimming with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	18.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	19.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	9.75
	B) Crêpes with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	21.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	24.—
	(c) Figured (see description for silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	10.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	12.—
	(c) Figured (see description for silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25
	C) All other tissues with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	18.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	19.50
	(c) Figures (see description for the corresponding categories of silk tissues specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50

¹ The description "fine metal" applies to threads of precious metal gilt, silvered or coated with platinum by plating or otherwise. These threads usually take the form of wire (round threads), foil (flat threads) or "filés" (foil rolled round a core of textile material). "Half-fine" applies particularly to the article (wire, foil, filé, etc.), in non-precious metal, silvered, gilt or coated with platinum. "Imitation" applies to the same article in yellow-coloured metal, *i. e.*, imitation gilt, or whitened, *i. e.* imitation silver or platinum coating.

The textile threads which constitute the core of the wire or "filé", etc. are treated as metal in determining the predominating material.

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			Fr. c.
	(a) Unbleached	kg.	2	9.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	9.75
	(c) Figured (see description for the corresponding categories of silk tissues specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25
	II. Artificial silk or similar materials predominating in weight :			
	A) Trimmings with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	15.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	16.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	8.25
	B) Crêpes with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	18.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	19.50
	(c) Figured (see description for silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	9.75
	(c) Figures (see description for silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25
	C) All other tissues with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	15.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	16.50
	(c) Figured (see description for the corresponding categories of silk tissues specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	8.25
	(c) Figured (see description for the corresponding categories of silk tissues specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25
	III. Wool, cotton or other textiles predominating in weight :			
	A) Trimmings with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	12.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	13.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	6.75

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
				Fr. c.
	B) Crêpes with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	kg.	2	13.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	15.—
	(c) Figured (see description for silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category :	id.	2	3.—
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	8.25
	Figured (see description for silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25
	C) All other tissues with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	12.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	13.50
	(c) Figured (see description for corresponding categories of silk tissues specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	3.—
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	6.75
	(c) Figured (see description for the corresponding categories of silk tissues specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25
	IV. Metal predominating in weight :			
	A) Trimmings with metal :			
	(3) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	15.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	16.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	8.25
	B) Crêpes with metal :			
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	18.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	19.50
	(c) Figured (see description for silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	(2) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	9.75
	(c) Figured (see description of silk crêpes specified above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
	C) All other tissues with metal :			Fr. c.
	(1) Fine :			
	(a) Unbleached	kg.	2	15.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	16.50
	(c) Figured (see description for correspond- ing categories of silk tissues specified above) : additional duty for each cate- gory	id.	2	4.50
	(3) Half-fine or imitation :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	8.25
	(c) Figured (see description for correspond- ing categories of the tissues specified above) : additional duty for each cate- gory	id.	2	2.25
	Tissues of artificial silk or of materials similar to artificial silk, pure or with admixture of silk, floss silk (schappe) or other textiles, the artificial silk predominating in weight, other than hosiery and trimmings :			
	I. Crêpes :			
	Mourning crêpe	id.	2	3.75
	Others, including sanitary crêpe weighing per sq. m. :			
	A) 75 grs. or less :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	7.50
	(c) Figured <i>i. e.</i> with designs, figure weaving, even with independent thread or armure effects obtained by weaving with more than 24 healds : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	B) More than 75 grs. :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.35
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	7.10
	(c) Figured (see description above) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	II. Plain tulle ¹ :			
	A) Weighing 20 grs. or less to the sq. m. :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	10.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed, without finishing	id.	2	11.25
	(c) Dyed with finishing	id.	2	12.—
	(d) Orna mented, <i>i. e.</i> provided with various patterns not in the nature of embroid- ery, including chenille tulle	id.	2	12.75
	B) Weighing more than 20 grs. to the sq. m. :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed without finishing	id.	2	6.75

¹ Same description as for plain silk tulle.

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
	(c) Dyed with finishing.	kg.	2	Fr. c. 7.50
	(d) Ornamented (see description above) . .	id.	2	8.25
	III. Velvets and plushes, other than ribbons :			
	A) Weighing 240 grs. or less to the sq. m. :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	12.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	13.50
	(c) Figured (see descriptions for silk velvets) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	B) Weighing more than 240 grs. to the sq. m. :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	10.50
	(c) Figured (see description for silk velvets): additional duty for each category . .	id.	2	4.50
	IV. Muslins, grenadines, voiles and the like, gauze and bunting :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	8.25
	(c) Figured or figure-woven gauze-point, openwork insertions, openwork stripes or other similar effects, even with plain parts : additional duty for each category.	id.	2	1.50
	V. Close-woven tissues, foulards and all other tissues not specified in paragraphs I, II, III, IV, VI, and VII :			
	A) Weighing 90 grs. or less to the sq. m. :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	6.75
	(c) Figured (see description for close-woven tissues of silk and floss silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	B) Weighing more than 90 grs. to the sq. m. . .			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	4.85
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	5.60
	(c) Figured (see description for close-woven tissues of silk and floss silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	VI. Ribbons :			
	A) Velvet and plush, including chenille in bands.			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	16.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	17.25
	(c) Figured (see description for velvet ribbons of silk or floss silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	3.—
	B) Others :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	10.50

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
	(c) Figured (see description for other velvet ribbons of silk or floss silk) : additional duty for each category	kg.	2	Fr. c. 3.—
	VII. Machine-made lace and figured tulles, including spotted tulles, scarves, Andalusian and "Spanish" shawls :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	21.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	23.25
	Tissues of silk or floss silk (schappe), with admixture of cotton, the cotton predominating in weight, other than hosiery, lace, tulles, and trimmings, silk, floss silk (schappe) and cotton :			
	I. Crêpes :			
	Mourning crêpe	id.	2	3.75
	Others, including sanitary crêpe :			
	(a) Unbleached.	id.	2	6.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	7.50
	(c) Figured (see description above for pure silk crêpes) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	II. Muslins, grenadines, voiles, and the like, gauze, and bunting :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	8.25
	(c) Figured (see description above for muslins, etc. of pure silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	III. Velvets, plushes and sealskin :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	10.50
	(c) Figured (see description above for pure silk velvets) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	4.50
	IV. Ribbons :			
	A) Velvet and plush :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	13.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	14.25
	(c) Figured (see description above for velvet ribbons of pure silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	3.—
	B) Others :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	7.50
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	8.25
	(c) Figured (see description above for other ribbons of pure silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.25
	V. Close-woven tissues, foulards, and all other tissues not specified in paragraphs I, II, III, IV, containing in silk or floss silk :			
	A) Less than 3 % of the total weight of the stuff, or tissues of the categories mentioned below, used, normally in the cotton industry,			

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties Fr. c.
	and generally employed for lingerie, underwear and embroidery, or all other similar articles, such as cotton cloth, Oxford cloth, zephyrs, etc., even when these tissues only contain stripes or other effects with silk or floss silk threads	kg.	5.5	3.72
	B) 3 % or more up to 12 % inclusively :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	3.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	3.75
	(c) Figured (see description above for close-woven tissues of pure silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.40
	C) More than 12 % and less than 50 % :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	4.30
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	5.25
	(c) Figured (see description above for close-woven tissues of pure silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.75
	Tissues of artificial silk or of materials similar to artificial silk with admixture of cotton, the cotton predominating in weight, other than hosiery, lace and trimmings :			
	I. Crêpes :			
	Mourning crêpe	id.	2	3.40
	Others, including sanitary crêpe :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	6.75
	(c) Figured (see description above for crêpes of pure silk) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	II. Muslins, grenadines, voiles and the like, gauze and bunting :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	7.50
	(c) Figured (see description above for muslins of pure silk) ; additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.50
	III. Velvets, plushes and sealskin :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	9.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	9.75
	(c) Figured (see description above for pure silk velvets) ; additional duty for each category	id.	2	3.75
	IV. Ribbons :			
	A) Velvet and plush :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	12.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	13.50
	(c) Figured (see description above for velvet ribbons of pure silk) ; additional duty for each category	id.	2	2.65

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
	B) Others :			Fr. c.
	(a) Unbleached	kg.	2	6.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	7.50
	(c) Figured (see description for other ribbons of pure silk); additional duty for each category	id.	2	1.90
	V. Close-woven tissues, foulards and all other tissues not specified in paragraphs I, II, III, IV, containing in artificial silk :			
	A) Less than 5 % of the total weight of the stuff, or tissues of the categories mentioned below, used normally in the cotton industry and generally employed for lingerie, underwear and embroidery or all other similar articles, such as cotton cloth, Oxford cloth, zephyrs, etc., even when these tissues only contain stripes or other effects with artificial silk threads	id.	5.5	3.72
	B) 5 % or more, up to 20 % inclusively :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	2.25
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	3.25
	(c) Figured (see description above for close-woven tissues of pure silk); additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.40
	C) More than 20 % and less than 50 % :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	3.75
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	4.50
	(c) Figured (see description above for close-woven tissues of pure silk); additional duty for each category	if.	2	0.75
	Tissues of silk or floss silk (schappe) or of artificial silk with admixture of wool, the wool predominating in weight :			
	I. Tissues of silk or of floss silk (schappe) with admixture of wool :			
	A) Crêpes :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	6.—
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	7.50
	(c) Figured (see description above for pure silk crêpes) : additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.50
	B) All other tissues :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	5.25
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	6.—
	(c) Figured (see description for the corresponding tissues of pure silk); additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.50
	II. Tissues of artificial silk with admixture of wool :			
	A) Crêpes :			
	(a) Unbleached	id.	2	5.65
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed.	id.	2	7.15
	(c) Figured (see description above for pure silk crêpes); additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.50

No. in French Tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Coefficient	Duties
	B) All other tissues :			Fr. c.
	(a) Unbleached	kg.	2	4.85
	(b) Scoured, bleached or dyed	id.	2	5.65
	(c) Figured (see description above for tissues of pure silk) ; additional duty for each category	id.	2	0.50
	Printed tissues of silk, floss silk (schappe), floss silk waste or artificial silk, pure or mixed : Duty applicable to dyed tissues, according to kind, increased per sq. metre	id.	2	0.225
381c	Gold and silver threads, purls, wires, foil, leaf, open-work and spangles ¹ :			
	(a) In fine metal	id.	2	20.—
	(b) In half-fine or imitation metal	id.	2	10.—

¹ Under this head are included :

(1) Gold and silver threads consisting of a thread, foil, leaf, wire, etc., in metal "filé" or rolled round textile silk or in textile thread "filé" or rolled round silk, floss silk, artificial silk, wool, hair, cotton, flax, cellulose, "textilose" or other textiles ;

(2) Threads, foil, leaves, etc., of metal with admixture of textile or of textile threads, whatever the proportion of such admixture ;

(3) Purls, open-work and spangles of metal. The term "fine metal" is applied to a precious metal whether or not it is gilt, silvered or coated with platinum by plating or otherwise.

"Half-fine metal" applies to non-precious metal which had been gilt, silvered or coated with platinum.

"Imitation metal" applies to non-precious metal which has not been gilt, silvered or coated with platinum, imitating or not metal which has been gilt, silvered or coated with platinum.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Goffered or stamped tissues shall be treated on the same footing as figured tissues.

2. Tissues of silk, floss silk (schappe), floss silk waste and artificial silk of the categories specified in the above schedule, with admixture of textile materials (other than cotton and wool), these materials predominating in weight, shall be treated on the same footing as tissues or silk, floss silk or artificial silk of the same categories with admixture of cotton, the cotton predominating in weight.

3. All tissues of silk, floss silk (schappe) or artificial silk with admixture of cotton, even with metal, the cotton predominating in weight, and which belong to the categories specified in the above schedule, shall be subject to the tariff rates fixed in that schedule, whatever may be the proportion of silk, floss silk or artificial silk entering into the composition of the said tissues.

LIST F.

No. in Italian tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Duty in gold lire	Coefficient of increase
ex 106	Wines : (b) In bottles : (1) Of half a litre or less : ex (a) Sparkling, from the districts or vin- tages of Anjou, Touraine, St. Peray, Gaillac and Clairette de Die (2) Of more than half a litre not exceeding one litre : ex (a) Sparkling from the districts or vin- tages of Anjou, Touraine, St. Peray, Gaillac and Clairette de Die	Hundred hundred	60 100	— —

The conventional duties apply exclusively to wines of the districts or vintages mentioned above which are accompanied by a certificate issued by the Chambers of Commerce at Angers, Saumur and Tours for wines from Anjou and Touraine ; at Annonay for St. Peray wines, at Albi for Gaillac wines and at Valence for Clairette de Die wines.

These certificates must show :

- (1) That the wine is prepared by the method used in Champagne ;
- (2) That it was prepared in the cellars of an exporter living within the jurisdiction of the Chamber and that the wines specified on the certificate are despatched from his cellars or shops to Italy.

No. in Italian tariff	Nomenclature	Unit of Taxation	Duty in gold lire	Coefficient of increase
ex 403	Machine tools : ex (a) Machines for tracing, cutting, compres- sing paper or cardboard, of a weight : ex (4) Of more than 100, up to 1000 kgs. ex (4) Up to 100 kgs.	100 kg. 100 »	32 45	0.2 —

PROTOCOL OF SIGNATURE

When signing the commercial Agreement of to-day's date, the two Governments, being desirous to promote all possible co operation in the silk wares and silk manufactures industry in their respective countries, and realising moreover that the Agreement of to-day's date is still very incomplete as regards furniture tissues, hosiery and trimmings, declare themselves willing to encourage the industries concerned in the two countries to study the question jointly with a view to defining what additions and alterations may be made in their respective tariffs.

For this purpose they will arrange that the manufacturers of the two countries shall meet as soon as possible and in any case within three months from the date of the entry into force of the present Agreement.

The two Governments further declare themselves willing to examine within two months any proposals which may be made to them with respect to the above-mentioned matters, and to enter immediately into negotiations with a view to ascertaining the possibility of giving application to such proposals, without prejudice however to their respective engagements with regard to third countries.

Done at Rome, in duplicate, May 29, 1926.

Benito MUSSOLINI.

René BESNARD.

D. SERRUYS.

THE AMBASSADOR OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AT ROME TO HIS EXCELLENCY
THE ITALIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

ROME, *May* 29, 1926.

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

During the negotiations which led to the Agreement to the Commercial Convention signed to-day, the Italian Government noted the disadvantage of applying to Barolo, Barbera and Grignolino wines, which cannot be assimilated to liqueur wines, the regulation limit of 18 grammes of reducing sugar, which these wines occasionally exceed.

The French Government has instructed me to inform you that it is disposed to admit the assimilation of these wines to ordinary wines, irrespective of the excess of sugar which they may contain, on condition that the said wines are accompanied, on importation into France, by a certificate of origin issued by the " *Stazione Enologica Sperimentale d'Asti* ".

I have the honour to be, etc., etc.

René BESNARD.

THE ITALIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE AMBASSADOR
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In reply I have the honour to inform you that the Italian Government has noted your communication with satisfaction.

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Benito MUSSOLINI.

THE ITALIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE AMBASSADOR
OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AT ROME.

ROME, *May* 29, 1926.

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During the negotiations which led satisfactorily to the signing of the Agreement of to-day's date, the French delegation informed the Italian delegation of its desire to proceed with the utmost despatch to the examination of a number of questions regarding the application of the Italian nomenclature or Customs tariff rates to products which are of interest to French exportation.

The Italian Government, desiring to prevent any hindrance to trade between the two countries, consents to a discussion being opened within a short period on the questions mentioned during the negotiations, as well as on any others which may be submitted by the French Government within the said period.

Furthermore, the Italian Government expresses its confidence that the French Government, being equally in favour of promoting trade between the two countries, will proceed in the same way to examine the questions regarding Customs classification and French Customs tariff rates which will be very shortly submitted by the Italian Government.

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While noting this communication, I have the honour to assure you that the French Government, being equally well disposed to the promotion of trade between the two countries, will proceed to examine all similar questions which the Italian Government may be good enough to submit with the least possible delay.

I have the honour to be, etc. etc.

René BESNARD.

THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR AT ROME TO THE ITALIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

ROME, *May 29, 1926.*

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

I am instructed by my Government to inform you that it consents to increase to 400 hl. the contingent previously fixed at 300 hl. for liqueurs originating in and coming from Italy, on condition that the remaining 100 hl. is reserved for Maraschino of Zara accompanied by a certificate of origin. In view of the fact that the Italian delegation signified its desire, during the negotiations which recently took place, to obtain for importation into Tunisia of the same product a contingent of 200 hl., I am glad to inform you that the French Government has transmitted this request with a favourable recommendation to the Beylical authorities.

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I have the honour to be, etc., etc.

Benito MUSSOLINI.

THE FRENCH MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO THE ITALIAN AMBASSADOR AT PARIS.

PARIS, *August 14, 1926.*

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

The French Government, being about to increase by 30 % the duties and co-efficients of the French Customs tariff with the object of re-establishing the incidence of Customs protection in proportion to the rise in prices, desires to avoid doing anything which might prejudice the economic Arrangements satisfactorily concluded at Rome on May 29, 1926, and to circumvent any obstacles to the development of Franco-Italian relations which might be caused by difficulties arising, through lack of a previous understanding, on the subject of the tariff régime applying the Italian products specified in List C of the Commercial Arrangement of November 13, 1922, and in List C of the Agreement of May 29, 1926.

For this purpose the French Government desired to come to an agreement with the Italian Government through Your Excellency, for whose approval it has the honour to submit the following results, which have been accepted by the technical delegations of the two countries :

(1) The application of the Arrangements of May 29th, 1926, which the two Governments have not yet been able to ratify, shall not, however, be deferred, the two Governments undertaking to refund, after ratification of the said Arrangements, the difference between the duties levied by their respective Customs Administrations and the duties specified in the said Arrangements for all importations subsequent to May 29, 1926.

(2) The products enumerated in List C of the Commercial Arrangement of November 13, 1922, and repeated in List B of the Agreement of May 29, 1926, shall not be subject to the increase of duties and coefficients which the French Government intends to impose

on August 15, 1926, with the exception of wines (No. 171 of the French tariff) as well as liqueur wines and vermouths produced from fresh grapes (No. ex 171 b).

(3) Cut flowers (No. ex 170 of the French tariff) and crystallised citric acid (ex No. 0230) shall be likewise exempted from the above-mentioned increase of 30 % which the French Government intends to impose on August 15, 1926, and shall moreover continue to benefit under the provisions of Article 2 of the Agreement of May 29, 1926.

(4) The above-mentioned increase of 10 % in the duties and coefficients shall apply to silk wares and silk manufactures imported into France, but the French Government shall undertake, if an agreement on this matter is reached between the industries concerned in the two countries, to refund the whole or part of the said increase as agreed, subject to the necessary ratification for this purpose, for all importations subsequent to August 15, 1926.

(5) It is agreed that the Agreement¹ relating to Scrap-Iron concluded on May 29, 1926, shall not be changed in any way.

(6) All the provisions of the Commercial Arrangement of November 13, 1922, of the Agreement of May 29, 1926, and of the Agreement of July 28, 1923, relating to the Customs Régime Applicable to Silk Goods and Silk Manufactures, which was completed by the Exchange of Notes on December 29, 1923, and January 10, 1924, shall remain operative in favour of the above-mentioned supplements.

The French Government would be glad if Your Excellency would confirm the adherence of the Italian Government to the above-mentioned provisions, the conclusion of which, previous to the raising of the French tariffs, will doubtless appear to the Italian Government as a fresh proof of the common wish of the two countries to blend their economic interests as far as possible.

I have the honour to be, etc. etc.

SEYDOUX.

*For the Minister and by authority,
The Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Director
of Political and Commercial Affairs.*

THE ITALIAN AMBASSADOR AT PARIS TO THE FRENCH MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

PARIS, August 14, 1926.

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

You were good enough to communicate to me the results reached by the experts of the two countries with regard to an adaptation in the duties and coefficients of the French tariff which the French Government desires to increase by 30 % on August 15, 1926, under the terms of the Conventions regulating the economic relations between France and Italy and in accordance with the necessities of trade between the two countries.

These results are, in detail as follows :

(1) The application of the Arrangements of May 29, 1926, which the two Governments have not yet been able to ratify, shall not, however, be deferred, the two Governments undertaking to refund, after ratification of the said Arrangements, the difference

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between the duties levied by their respective Customs Administrations and the duties specified in the said Arrangements, for all importations subsequent to May 29, 1926.

(2) The products enumerated in List C of the Commercial Arrangement of November 13, 1922, and repeated in List B of the Agreement of May 29, 1926, shall not be subject to the increase of duties and coefficients which the French Government intends to impose on August 15, 1926, with the exception of wines (No. 171 of the French tariff), as well as liqueur wines and vermouths produced from fresh grapes. (No. ex. 171 *b.*)

(3) Cut flowers (No. ex 170 of the French tariff) and crystallised citric acid (ex No. 0230) shall be likewise exempted from the above-mentioned increase of 30 % which the French Government intends to impose on August 15, 1926, and shall moreover continue to benefit under the provisions of Article 2 of the Agreement of May 29, 1926.

(4) The above-mentioned increase of 30 % in the duties and coefficients shall apply to silk wares and silk manufactures imported into France, but the French Government shall undertake, if an agreement on this matter is reached between the industries concerned in the two countries, to refund the whole or part of the said increase as agreed, subject to the necessary ratification for this purpose, for all importations subsequent to August 15, 1926.

(5) It is agreed that the Agreement relating to Scrap-Iron, concluded on May 29, 1926, shall not be changed in any way.

(6) All the provisions of the Commercial Arrangement of November 13, 1922, of the Agreement of May 29, 1926, and of the Agreement of July 28, 1923, relating to the Customs Régime applicable to Silk Goods and Silk Manufactures, which was completed by the Exchange of Notes on December 29, 1923, and on January 10, 1924, shall remain operative in favour of the above-mentioned supplements.

You were good enough to point out in your letter that during these negotiations the French Government wished to avoid doing anything which might prejudice the Arrangements satisfactorily concluded at Rome on May 29, 1926, and that it considered the present Agreement as a fresh proof of the two countries' common wish to blend their economic interests as far as possible.

I have the honour to say that the Italian Government thanks you for your good-will and, animated by the same spirit, gives its adherence to the conclusions detailed above.

I have the honour to be, etc., etc.

Romano AVEZZANO.