## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND NETHERLANDS

Exchange of Notes constituting an agreement relating to the purchase of natural rubber. Washington, 28 January and 9 February 1946. Came into force on 9 February 1946, by signature

English official text communicated by the United States representative to the United Nations. The registration took place on 20 May 1947.

## ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE ET PAYS-BAS

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Texte officiel anglais communiqué par le représentant des Etats-Unis auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 20 mai 1947.

No. 35. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREE-MENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE NETHERLANDS RELATING TO THE PUR-CHASE OF NATURAL RUBBER. WASHINGTON, 28 JANU-ARY AND 9 FEBRURARY 1946

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The Secretary of State to the Netherlands Ambassador

Department of State
Washington
Jan. 28 1946

## Excellency:

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the United States of America is prepared to enter into an agreement for the purchase of all natural rubber allocated from all Netherlands areas in the Far East to the United States of America by the Combined Raw Materials Board, or successor body, according to the following terms:

The Rubber Development Corporation, which is the agency of the Government of the United States of America which has been designated to negotiate for and effect the purchase of all natural rubber allocated to the United States of America by the Combined Raw Materials Board or successor body, shall purchase from the Government of the Netherlands all natural rubber which has been or shall be so allocated from all Netherlands areas in the Far East at a price of 201/4 cents United States currency per pound for standard top grades with appropriate differentials for other types and grades, at Far Eastern port free on board ocean going steamer destined for United States port. This price shall be paid on all rubber covered by ocean bills of lading bearing dates between September 2, 1945 (VJ Day) and June 30, 1946, inclusive. Payment for such rubber will be effected by the opening of an appropriate letter or letters of credit in favor of such agency of the Government of the Netherlands as shall be designated (or such other method of payment as may be mutually agreed upon); which letters of credit shall provide for payment against shipping documents endorsed "on board" ocean going steamer evidencing that the rubber has been shipped consigned to "Reconstruction Finance Corporation, 15 William Street, New York 5, New York". Quality and weights shall be as determined upon inspection and weighing at United States port.

This note, together with your reply indicating acceptance by the Government of the Netherlands of the offer contained herein, shall be deemed by the Government of the United States of America as bringing the above agreement into full force and effect. The Rubber Development Corporation will execute with the appropriate authority of the Government of the Netherlands a contract embodying the details of the above agreement.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State: William L. CLAYTON

His Excellency Dr. A. Loudon Ambassador of the Netherlands

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The Netherlands Ambassador to the Secretary of State

NETHERLANDS EMBASSY WASHINGTON, D. C.

No. 937

9 February, 1946

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note of January 28, 1946 expressing the willingness on the part of the United States Government to enter into an agreement, upon the terms as set forth therein, for the purchase of all natural rubber allocated from all Netherlands areas in the Far East to the United States of America by the Combined Raw Materials Board or successor body.

Acting upon instructions from my Government I have the honor to convey to Your Excellency my Government's acceptance of the offer in accordance with the stipulations contained in Your Excellency's above-mentioned note.

Accept, Excellency the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

A. LOUDON

The Honorable the Secretary of State Washington, D. C.