

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Exchange of Notes constituting an agreement relating to the waiver by the Government of the Dominican Republic of most-favoured-nation provisions of the Agreement between the United States of America and the Dominican Republic, effected by an Exchange of Notes of 25 September 1924, with respect to advantages accorded by the United States of America to the Philippines. Washington, 4 May and 7 October 1946

English and Spanish official texts communicated by the Permanent Representative of the United States of America at the seat of the United Nations. The registration took place on 3 March 1948.

ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE
et
REPUBLIQUE DOMINICAINE

Echange de notes constituant un accord relatif à la renonciation par le Gouvernement de la République Dominicaine à la clause de la nation la plus favorisée contenue dans l'accord intervenu entre les Etats-Unis d'Amérique et la République Dominicaine par l'échange de notes du 25 septembre 1924, en ce qui concerne les avantages accordés par les Etats-Unis d'Amérique aux Philippines. Washington, 4 mai et 7 octobre 1946

Textes officiels anglais et espagnol communiqués par le représentant permanent des Etats-Unis d'Amérique au siège de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 3 mars 1948.

No. 206. EXCHANGE OF NOTES¹ CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC RELATING TO THE WAIVER BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC OF MOST-FAVOURLED-NATION PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC EFFECTED BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES OF 25 SEPTEMBER 1924, WITH RESPECT TO ADVANTAGES ACCORDED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PHILIPPINES. WASHINGTON, 4 MAY AND 7 OCTOBER 1946

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The Acting Secretary of State to the Dominican Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

May 4 1946

Sir:

With reference to the forthcoming independence of the Philippines on July 4, 1946, my Government considers that provision for a transitional period for dealing with the special tariff position which Philippine products have occupied for many years in the United States is an essential accompaniment to Philippine Independence. Accordingly, under the Philippine Trade Act approved April 30, 1946, goods the growth, produce or manufacture of the Philippines will enter the United States free of duty until 1954, after which they will be subject to gradually and regularly increasing rates of duty or decreasing duty-free quotas until 1974 when general rates will become applicable and all preferences will be completely eliminated.

¹ Came into force on 7 October 1946, by the exchange of the said notes.

Since the enactment of the Philippine Independence Act approved March 24, 1934, my Government has foreseen the probable necessity of providing for such a transitional period and has since then consistently excepted from most-favored-nation obligations which it has undertaken toward foreign governments advantages which it might continue to accord to Philippine products after the proclamation of Philippine independence. Some thirty instruments in force with other governments, for example, permit the continuation of the exceptional tariff treatment now accorded by my Government to Philippine products, irrespective of the forthcoming change in the Commonwealth's political status.

With a view, therefore, to placing the relations between the United States and the Dominican Republic upon the same basis, with respect to the matters involved, as the relations existing under the treaties and agreements referred to in the preceding paragraph, I have the honor to propose that the provisions of the Agreement between the United States and the Dominican Republic effected by an exchange of notes signed September 25, 1924,¹ shall not be understood to require the extension to the Dominican Republic of advantages accorded by the United States to the Philippines.

In view of the imminence of the inauguration of an independent Philippine Government, I should be glad to have the reply of your Government to this proposal at an early date.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Dean ACHESON
Acting Secretary of State

The Honorable Señor Dr. Don J. R. Rodríguez
Chargé d'Affaires *ad interim* of the Dominican Republic

¹ United States, *Treaty Series* 700.

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The Dominican Ambassador to the Acting Secretary of State

SPANISH TEXT — TEXTE ESPAGNOL

TRANSLATION¹ — TRADUCTION¹

EMBAJADA DE LA
REPÚBLICA DOMINICANA
WASHINGTON

EMBASSY OF THE
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
WASHINGTON

Octubre 7 de 1946

October 7, 1946

Señor Secretario:

Mr. Secretary:

Tengo la honra de referirme a la nota de Vuestra Excelencia del 4 de mayo del año en curso y de informar a Vuestra Excelencia, de conformidad con instrucciones que he recibido al efecto, que el Gobierno Dominicano acepta que no se considere que las provisiones del Acuerdo entre los Estados Unidos y la República Dominicana, efectuado por un cambio de notas firmadas el 25 de Septiembre de 1924, implican la extensión a la República Dominicana de las ventajas concedidas por los Estados Unidos a las Filipinas.

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's note of the 4th of May of the present year, and to inform Your Excellency, in conformity with instructions that I have received to that effect, that the Dominican Government agrees that the provisions of the Agreement between the United States and the Dominican Republic, effected by an exchange of notes signed the 25th of September 1924, shall not be understood to imply the extension to the Dominican Republic of the advantages accorded by the United States to the Philippines.

Acepte, Señor Secretario, las renovadas seguridades de mi más alta consideración.

Accept, Mr. Secretary, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Emilio G. Godoy

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A Su Excelencia Dean Acheson
Secretario de Estado Interino
de los Estados Unidos de América
Washington, D.C.

His Excellency Dean Acheson
Acting Secretary of State
of the United States of America
Washington, D.C.

¹ Translation by the Department of State of the United States of America.

¹ Traduction du Département d'Etat des Etats-Unis d'Amérique.