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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
NORWAY**

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to the duty-free entry of, and payment of transportation charges on, relief supplies and packages for Norway. Oslo, 31 October 1949

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Registered by the United States of America on 18 July 1950.

**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
NORVÈGE**

Échange de notes constituant un accord concernant l'entrée en franchise et le paiement des frais de transport des fournitures et des colis de secours destinés à la Norvège. Oslo, 31 octobre 1949

Texte officiel anglais.

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No. 879. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND NORWAY RELATING TO THE DUTY-FREE ENTRY OF, AND PAYMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHARGES ON, RELIEF SUPPLIES AND PACKAGES FOR NORWAY. OSLO, 31 OCTOBER 1949

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*The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Norwegian Minister
for Foreign Affairs*

AMERICAN EMBASSY

Oslo, October 31, 1949

No. 252

Excellency:

I have the honor to propose that for the purpose of giving effect to Article IV paragraph 5, of the Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Royal Norwegian Government and the Government of the United States of America signed on July 3, 1948² (hereinafter referred to as the Economic Cooperation Agreement), an agreement shall be made between the Governments of Norway and the United States in the following terms:—

For the purpose of this agreement "Relief Supplies" mean bulk supplies and standard packs, donated to or purchased by United States voluntary non-profit relief agencies (including CARE) qualified under Economic Cooperation Administration (hereinafter referred to as ECA) regulations, including Norwegian branches of these agencies which have been or hereafter shall be approved by the Royal Norwegian Government.

The Royal Norwegian Government shall accord duty-free entry into Norway of relief supplies provided the supplies qualify under ECA regulations and are approved by the Royal Norwegian Government.

With respect to transportation charges (as defined in paragraph 5 of Article IV of the Economic Cooperation Agreement) in Norway on relief supplies originally dispatched from the United States and forwarded to addressees in Norway by an approved agent of the shipper, by Norwegian carrier or by parcel post service, the Royal Norwegian Government shall reimburse such agent, carrier or parcel post service for such charges out of the special account established under paragraph 2 of Article IV of the Economic Cooperation Agreement upon presentation of document-

¹ Came into force on 31 October 1949, by the exchange of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Volume 20, page 185.

ation satisfactory to the governments of Norway and the United States of America. It is understood that such charges shall include charges incidental to transportation which may be incurred in Norway by an agent of a shipper.

The Royal Norwegian Government shall make payments out of the special account for the purposes mentioned in the immediately preceding paragraph, and shall submit to the ECA Mission in Norway with a copy to the Controller, ECA Washington, monthly statements of the amounts so expended in form satisfactory to the Royal Norwegian Government and the said Mission, provided that each such statement shall at least show total weight carried and charges therefor, and adjustments shall be made to the special account if shown to be required by ECA audit.

So far as practicable effect shall be given to the two paragraphs above dealing with transportation charges and auditing and reimbursement as though they had come into force on April 3, 1948.

(a) The present Agreement shall come into force immediately. Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph and to such modification as may be agreed upon between the competent authorities of the Government of the United States and the Royal Norwegian Government, it shall remain in force for the same period as the Economic Cooperation Agreement.

(b) The Agreement may be terminated by six months' notice given in writing by either party to the other at any time.

Upon receipt of your confirmation of this understanding, the agreement will be understood as completed.

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

Henry S. VILLARD
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

His Excellency Mr. Halvard M. Lange
Royal Norwegian Minister for Foreign Affairs
Oslo

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*The Norwegian Minister for Foreign Affairs to the American Chargé
d'Affaires ad interim*

MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES ÉTRANGÈRES

Oslo, 31st October, 1949.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note of today's date in which you propose that for the purpose of giving effect to Article IV, paragraph 5, of the Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Royal Norwegian Government

and the Government of the United States of America, signed on the 3rd July, 1948 (hereinafter referred to as the Economic Cooperation Agreement), an agreement shall be made between the Governments of Norway and the United States in the following terms:—

[See note I]

I have the honour to inform you that the Royal Norwegian Government agree to the proposals contained in your note and will regard that note and the present reply as constituting an agreement on this matter between the two Governments.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my high consideration.

For the Minister:

R. B. SKYLSTAD

Secretary General

Henry S. Villard
Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the United States of America
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Oslo
