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No. 1379. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND SIAM RELATING TO SIAMESE RICE AND CERTAIN OTHER EXPORT COMMODITIES IN SHORT WORLD SUPPLY. SIGNED AT BANGKOK, ON 6 MAY 1946

WHEREAS, the Governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as the United Kingdom), and Siam, consider that it is desirable to take all possible measures for promoting and maintaining the maximum economic production in Siam of rice and certain other export commodities now in short world supply, and for facilitating the exportation of the surpluses of such commodities upon an equitable basis; and

WHEREAS, the Government of Siam recognizes the immediate importance of producing for export and exporting, in accordance with any allocations recommended by the appropriate combined Boards or successor bodies as determined by the Governments of the United States of America and the United Kingdom, the maximum quantities of rice and certain other commodities now in short world supply, and desires to cooperate with the United States of America and the United Kingdom in achieving those objectives, and

WHEREAS, the Governments of the United States of America and the United Kingdom recognise the immediate importance of such production and of the prompt and efficient exportation of Siam rice and certain other commodities now in short world supply in accordance with any allocations recommended by the appropriate combined Boards or successor bodies as determined by such Governments, and desire to aid and cooperate with the Government of Siam in achieving those objectives,

The undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have agreed as follows:

Article I

1. During the period in which this Agreement is in force, the Government of Siam will permit all exports of rice, tin, and rubber only in accordance with

¹ Came into force on 6 May 1946, as from the date of signature, in accordance with article III.

allocations recommended by the appropriate Combined Board or any successor body as determined by the Governments of the United States of America and the United Kingdom.

- 2. The Governments of the United States of America and of the United Kingdom will support an application by the Government of Siam to become a member of the Rice Committee of the Combined Food Board or successor body.
- 3. During the period in which this Agreement is in force the Government of Siam will take all possible measures to stimulate the production and facilitate the export of the maximum quantities of teak and other hard woods.

Article II

- 1. The Governments of the United States of America and the United Kingdom will establish promptly a Combined Siam Rice Commission (hereinafter referred to as the Rice Commission) to cooperate with and assist the Government of Siam in promoting the maximum economic production of rice in Siam, and to arrange for the exportation of all rice surplus to the internal needs of Siam in accordance with allocations recommended by the Combined Food Board or successor body.
- 2. The Government of Siam will make all rice and paddy surplus to the internal needs available for exportation under the control system of the Rice Commission and will cooperate with the Rice Commission in stimulating the maximum economic production of rice in Siam.
- 3. The Government of Siam will not impose or permit the imposition of export or other duties on rice or paddy other than those in effect on the date of the signing of this Agreement, except as may be determined by agreement between the Government of Siam and the Rice Commission.
- 4. The Rice Commission will assist the Government of Siam with respect to measures designed to effectuate and expedite achievement of the objectives in regard to rice production and export sought by this Agreement and will recommend to the Governments of the United States of America and the United Kingdom such measures of assistance as it deems essential for such purposes, particularly in regard to
 - (a) the procurement and importation of items required in connexion with rice production and exportation, including milling, transportation, and repair of port facilities; and
 - (b) the procurement and importation of needed incentive consumer goods.

5. It is mutually agreed by the Governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom and Siam that (except for any rice or paddy which the Siamese Government may supply to any nation or organization pursuant to the Formal Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom and India and the Government of Siam signed January 1, 1946,¹ as modified by the notes exchanged between His Britannic Majesty's Minister at Bangkok and the Siamese Minister of Foreign Affairs at Bangkok on May 1st, 1946²) all rice and paddy exported under the control system of the Rice Commission will be paid for at prices to be determined by agreement between the Government of Siam and the Rice Commission.

Article III

- 1. This Agreement shall be effective beginning with the day of its signature. It shall remain in effect until September 1, 1946, and shall be renewable for two periods of six months each thereafter upon the request of the Governments of the United States of America and the United Kingdom.
- 2. If, while this Agreement is in effect, any of the commodities specified in paragraph 1 of Article I should cease to be subject to recommended allocation by a Combined Board or successor body, the provisions of paragraph 1 of Article I of this Agreement shall not thereafter apply to such commodity. If rice should cease to be subject to such allocation, the provisions of Article II shall thereupon terminate, except as to obligations already incurred.

Done in triplicate in the English and Siamese languages this sixth day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-six, of the Christian Era, corresponding to the sixth day of the fifth month in the two thousand four hundred eighty-ninth year of the Buddhist Era.

For the Government of the United States of America:
Charles W. Yost

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:
G. H. THOMPSON

For the Government of Siam:
Direck Jayanama

¹See p. 131 of this volume.

² See p. 169 of this volume.