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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and VENEZUELA

Agreement (with exchange of notes) supplementing the Agreement of 6 November 1939 between the Governments of those two countries relating to reciprocal trade. Signed at Caracas, on 28 August 1952

Official texts: English and Spanish.

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ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE et VENEZUELA

Accord (avec échange de notes) complétant l'Accord commercial du 6 novembre 1939 entre les Gouvernements des deux pays. Signé à Caracas, le 28 août 1952

Textes officiels anglais et espagnol.

Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 28 octobre 1953.

No. 2336. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND VENEZUELA SUPPLEMENTING THE AGREEMENT OF 6 NOVEMBER 1939² BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THOSE TWO COUNTRIES RELATING TO RECIPROCAL TRADE. SIGNED AT CARACAS, ON 28 AUGUST 1952

The President of the United States of America and the Junta of Government of the United States of Venezuela, guided by the same objectives which motivated the two Governments to conclude the Reciprocal Trade Agreement of November 6, 1939 (hereinafter referred to as the Original Trade Agreement) with related notes of the same date,² namely, to strengthen the traditional bonds of friendship between the two countries, to maintain the principle of equality of treatment in their commercial relations, and to promote such relations by granting reciprocal concessions and advantages, have agreed to modify the said Agreement in order to adapt it to present circumstances and conditions and in order that it will better correspond to those objectives and for that purpose have designated as their Plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States of America:

His Excellency Fletcher Warren, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Venezuela;

The Junta of Government of the United States of Venezuela:

His Excellency Doctor Luis E. Gómez Ruiz, Minister of Foreign Relations of the United States of Venezuela;

Who, having exchanged their Full Powers, found to be in good and due form, have agreed upon the following Articles:

Article 1

Schedule I of the Original Trade Agreement is replaced by Schedule I of this Supplementary Agreement annexed hereto and made a part hereof.

¹ Came into force on 11 October 1952, thirty days after the exchange of the proclamation thereof by the President of the United States of America and the instrument of ratification thereof by the Government of Venezuela which took place at Washington on 11 September 1952, in accordance with article 13.

² League of Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. CCIII, p. 273.

Article 2

Schedule II of the Original Trade Agreement is amended by inserting therein, in their proper numerical order, the items contained in Schedule II-A of this Supplementary Agreement annexed hereto and made a part hereof, and by substituting for item 1733 and item 3422 of said Schedule II the item 1733 and the items 3422 set forth in Schedule II-B of this Supplementary Agreement annexed hereto and made a part hereof.

Article 3

The following new Article II-bis is added to the Original Trade Agreement following Article II thereof:

" Article II-Bis

"In each case in which Articles I and II of the Original Trade Agreement refer to the day of the signature of that Agreement, the applicable date in respect of all articles added to Schedules I and II of that Agreement is the date of this Supplementary Agreement."

Article 4

The following new Article V-bis is added to the Original Trade Agreement following Article V thereof:

" Article V-Bis

"Any article the growth, produce or manufacture of the United States of America enumerated and described in Schedule I imported into the United States of Venezuela, and any article the growth, produce or manufacture of the United States of Venezuela enumerated and described in Schedule II imported into the United States of America, shall be accorded treatment no less favorable than that accorded to the like article of national origin in respect of all laws, regulations and requirements affecting their internal sale, offering for sale, purchase, transportation, distribution or use. The provisions of this Article shall not apply to laws, regulations or requirements governing the procurement by governmental agencies of products purchased for governmental purposes and not with a view to commercial resale or with a view to use in the production of goods for commercial sale."

Article 5

Article VI of the Original Trade Agreement is amended to read as follows:

"1. No prohibition, restriction or any other form of quantitative regulation shall be imposed by the Government of the United States of Venezuela on the importation of any article, the growth, produce or manufacture of the United

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States of America enumerated and described in Schedule I, or by the Government of the United States of America on the importation of any article the growth, produce or manufacture of the United States of Venezuela enumerated and described in Schedule II.

"2. The provisions of paragraph 1 shall not prevent the Government of the United States of America or the Government of the United States of Venezuela from imposing quantitative regulations in whatever form on the importation or sale of any agricultural or fisheries article, imported in any form, if necessary to secure the effective operation of governmental measures or measures under governmental authority operating to regulate or control the production, market supply, quality or prices of like domestic articles. Whenever the Government of either country proposes to impose or to make more restrictive any quantitative regulation authorized by this paragraph, it shall give notice thereof in writing to the other Government and shall afford such other Government an opportunity to consult with it in respect of the proposed action; and if agreement with respect thereto is not reached the Government which proposes to take such action shall, nevertheless, be free to do so and the other Government shall be free within ninety days after such action is taken to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part on thirty days' written notice."

Article 6

The first paragraph of Article IX of the Original Trade Agreement is amended to read as follows:

- "In the event that the Government of the United States of America or the Government of the United States of Venezuela establishes or maintains, directly or indirectly, any form of control of the means of international payment, it shall, in the administration of such control:
- "(a) Impose no restrictions or delays on the transfer of payment for any imported article the growth, produce or manufacture of the other country, or on the transfer of payments necessary for or incidental to the importation of such article, greater or more onerous than those imposed on the transfer of payment for the importation of the like article from any third country.
- "(b) Accord unconditionally, with respect to rates of exchange and taxes or surcharges on exchange transactions in connection with payments for or payments necessary and incidental to the importation of any article the growth, produce or manufacture of the other country, and with respect to all rules and formalities relative thereto, treatment no less favorable than that accorded in connection with the importation of the like article the growth, produce or manufacture of any third country."

Article 7

Article XIII of the Original Trade Agreement is amended to read as follows:

- "1. The Government of each of the Contracting Parties recognizes the desirability of limiting fees and charges, other than duties, imposed by governmental authorities on or in connection with importation or exportation, to the approximate cost of services rendered. Each Government also recognizes the desirability of reducing the number and diversity of such fees and charges, of minimizing the incidence and complexity of import and export formalities, and of decreasing and simplifying import and export documentations requirements.
- "2. Both Governments recognize the desirability of not imposing substantial penalties for minor breaches of customs regulations or procedural requirements. Each Government shall accord the most favorable treatment permitted by law in regard to penalties applicable in the case of errors in the documentation for importation of articles the growth, produce or manufacture of the other country, when the nature of the infraction leaves no doubt with respect to good faith or when the errors are evidently clerical in origin.
- "3. The Government of each of the Contracting Parties shall accord sympathetic consideration to the representations which the Government of the other country may make with respect to the operation of customs regulations and quantitative restrictions on imports, the observance of customs formalities and the application of sanitary laws and regulations for the protection of human, animal or plant life or health. If there should be disagreement with respect to the application of said sanitary laws and regulations there shall be established, upon the request of either of the Contracting Parties, a committee of experts on which both Governments shall be represented. The committee, after considering the matter, shall submit its report to both Governments."

Article 8

The following new Article XIII-bis is added to the Original Trade Agreement following Article XIII thereof:

" Article XIII-Bis

"1. If, as a result of unforeseen developments and of the effect of the obligations incurred by the Government of the United States of America or of the United States of Venezuela under this Agreement, including tariff concessions, any product is being imported into the territory of either country in

such relatively increased quantities and under such conditions as to cause or threaten serious injury to the domestic industry in that territory producing like or directly competitive products, the Government of the United States of America or of the United States of Venezuela shall be free, in respect of such product, and to the extent and for such time as may be necessary to prevent or remedy such injury, to suspend the obligation in whole or in part or to withdraw or modify the concession.

"2. Before the Government of the United States of America or of the United States of Venezuela shall take action pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 1 above, it shall give notice in writing to the other Government as far in advance as may be practicable and shall afford such other Government an opportunity to consult with it in respect of the proposed action and with respect to such compensatory modifications of this Agreement as may be deemed appropriate to the extent practicable maintaining the general level of reciprocal and mutually advantageous concessions in the Agreement. If agreement between the two Governments is not reached as a result of such consultation, the Government which proposes to take the action under paragraph 1 shall, nevertheless, be free to do so and, if such action is taken, the other Government shall be free, not later than ninety days after the action has been taken and on thirty days' written notice, either to suspend the application to the trade of the Government taking action under paragraph 1 of substantially equivalent obligations or concessions under this Agreement, or, if the action nullifies or seriously impairs a principal objective of this Agreement, to terminate the Within 30 days after any such suspension has taken effect, the Government taking action under paragraph 1 shall be free to terminate this Agreement on thirty days' written notice. In critical circumstances, where delay would cause damage which it would be difficult to repair, action under paragraph 1 may be taken provisionally without prior consultation, under the condition that consultation shall be effected immediately after taking such action."

Article 9

Article XV of the Original Trade Agreement is amended to read as follows:

- "1. The provisions of this Agreement do not extend to:
- "(a) The advantages now accorded or which may hereafter be accorded by the United States of America or the United States of Venezuela to adjacent countries in order to facilitate frontier traffic, or advantages resulting from a customs union or a free-trade area which either the United States of America

or the United States of Venezuela may enter so long as such advantages are not extended to any other country;

- "(b) The advantages now accorded or which may hereafter be accorded by the United States of America, its territories or possessions or the Panama Canal Zone or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands to one another or to the Republic of Cuba or to the Republic of the Philippines, irrespective of any change in the political status of any of the territories or possessions of the United States of America, so long as such advantages are not extended to any other country.
- 2. The Government of the United States of Venezuela reserves the right to apply to articles imported into the United States of Venezuela from the Antilles under the sovereignty or authority of the United States of America but not included in the customs territory of that country the special surtax applicable to such articles, according to the existing laws of Venezuela, provided the said articles do not originate in the said Antilles."

Article 10

The first paragraph of Article XVI of the Original Trade Agreement is amended by changing the period at the end thereof to a semicolon and adding the following:

"(5) relating to public security, or imposed for the protection of the country's essential interests in time of war or other national emergency."

Article 11

Article XVII of the Original Trade Agreement is amended by adding the following sentence at the end thereof:

"If agreement is not reached with respect to the matter within thirty days after such representations or proposals are received, the Government which made them shall be free, within ninety days after the expiration of the aforesaid period of thirty days', to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part on thirty days' written notice."

Article 12

The provisions of the Original Trade Agreement which are not abrogated or modified by this Supplementary Agreement shall constitute, together with the provisions of this Supplementary Agreement, the Amended Reciprocal Trade Agreement between the two Governments, which shall remain in force, subject to the provisions of Articles VI, IX, XII, XIII-bis and XVII until six

months from the date on which either Government shall have given to the other Government written notice of intention to terminate the Amended Reciprocal Trade Agreement.

Article 13

The present Supplementary Agreement shall be proclaimed by the President of the United States of America and ratified and published by the Government of the United States of Venezuela, in conformity with the laws of the respective countries. It shall enter into force thirty days after the exchange of the proclamation and the instrument of ratification, which shall take place in the City of Washington as soon as possible.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the respective Plenipotentiairies have signed this Agreement and have affixed their seals hereto.

Done in duplicate in the English and Spanish languages, both authentic, at the City of Caracas this twenty-eighth day of August nineteen hundred and fifty-two.

For the President of the United States of America:
Fletcher WARREN

For the Junta of Government of the United States of Venezuela: Luis E. Gómez Ruiz

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SCHEDULE I

Note: The provisions of this Schedule will be interpreted as though they had been included in the current Venezuelan tariff law by an amendment to that law.

Venezuelan Customs Tari <u>j</u> Number	g Description of Article	Rate of Import Duty Per Gross Kilogram (In Bolivars)
3—F	Shellfish, canned	. 2.00
7	Bacon	. 1.20
9—A	Prepared milk (including evaporated, condensed, dried skimme	
	and dried whole milk)	. 0.50
11	Cheese, Cheddar type	. 1.00
12—C	Chick-peas, peas, lentils and lima beans	
13—B	Apples, pears, grapes and plums (fresh, frozen, or refrigerated)	. 0.10
	Note: This concession will be maintained for three years. There after, the duty may be raised to 0.40.	e-
14	Dried or desiccated fruits and nuts	
15—A	Fruits, canned or bottled (except tropical fruits, pineapples an	
	citrus fruits) in light syrups with 20% to 50% sucrose or dextros	se 0.90

Venezuelan Customs Tarij Number		Rate of Import Duty Per Gross Kilogram (In Bolivars)
15—B	Fruits, canned or bottled, in syrup (except tropical fruits, pine apples and citrus fruits) with more than 50% sucrose or dextrose	1.00
	Note: The descriptions given for items 15—A and 15—B do no exclude those fruit mixtures in which tropical fruits, pineapples and citrus fruits cannot be considered as the principal element in relation to the other ingredients.	
22 23—A 23—B 23—C 27—A	Oats, including rolled oats Barley, in kernels Barley, pearled Barley, malt Wheat flour	0.10 1.10 0.16 0.04
	Note: This concession will be maintained for three years. There after, the duty may be raised to 0.15.	-
27—E 29 36—A 36—C	Oat flour Semolina Hams Hams Preserves and preparations, canned or bottled: Podded vegetables except kidney and black beans; asparagus, bean, lentil, celerand mushroom soups; sauces and relishes, except those made o tomatoes or those which contain tomatoes as the principal element	. 0.15 . 1.20 , y f t
37—A	in relation to the other ingredients; and the following vegetables artichokes, sauerkraut, asparagus, Brussels sprouts and celery Special foods for children and those for dietetic use, which do no	. 0.80 t
39—A 53—C 57	contain cacao	4.50 3.00
66—A 99—B—3	those made from tropical fruits, pineapples and citrus fruits). Sewing thread	. 1.00 f
143—B—1 143—B—2	Hosiery of pure silk or mixtures Corsets, girdles, suspenders, garters, and sanitary elastic belts (of pure silk or mixtures)	. 40.00 s
159 188	Canvas tarpaulins (with or without eyelets)	1.20
208—A 221 224—F	Hops	1.20 0.02
220	kits consisting of patches, cement and buffer	. 0.75
229 230—B	Cigarettes	, ,
237—I	cedar and Southern cypress	r
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110, 2330		

Venezuelan Customs Tari Number		Rate of Import Duty Per Gross Kilogram (In Bolivars)
244—D	Paper for packing and wrapping: Waterproofed (transparent, opaque, white or colored) Note: The term "waterproofed paper" includes such paper as: glassine, greaseproof, waterproof, cellophane, paraffir waxed and varnished papers.	rs
263	Manufactured glass:	
—A —B —L 265—D	Laboratory utensils and apparatus (except large and sma ampoules and tubes for tablets)	. 0.05 . 0.10 . 0.15
296 —E —F —G	Copper. Bronze. Brass: Wire, cable or cord, uncovered	. 0.002
—К	Unspecified manufactures	. 0.75
298 —H —J 303	Iron and steel, semi-manufactured: Galvanized sheets	. 0.001
305	small tiles)	
—G	Screws and bolts. Nuts. Rivets. Washers	. 0.005
317 —B —F	Miscellaneous manufactures: Locksmithing (locks with or without knobs or handles; padlocks door latches; bolts; hinges)	. 1.00 al
319	Furniture of ordinary metals (except that of aluminum):	
—E —I	Filing cabinets	. 1.80
•	same plane)	
320 —A —C	Automotive vehicles: Automobile truck and bus chassis, without bodies, but includir chassis with cabs	. 0.09 . 0.10
	Note: The duties established for 320—A and 320—C do no cover tires or tubes.	ot
—Е —G	Equipped as fire engines	t,
—1 —2 —3	Weighing not over 1400 kilograms	. 0.25
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Venezuelan Customs Tarifj Number	f Description of Article	Rate of Import Duty Per Gross Kilogram (In Bolivars)
4	Weighing over 1,700 kilograms	. 1.00
	Note: There are included under 320—G vehicles calle "station wagons", "station sedans" and similar vehicles.	d
	Note: The duties established for 320—G—1, —2, —3, an—4 do not cover tires or tubes.	d
—Н	Completely unassembled, unpainted (except tires and tubes)	. 0.001
	Note: This item does not include unassembled passenger automobiles, which are specified under 321—G.)
321	Passenger automobiles with bodies:	
—A —B —C —D —E —F	Weighing not over 800 kilograms	. 0.60 . 0.80 . 1.00 . 1.40 . 1.60 A, al ht
—G	Completely unassembled, unpainted:	
-1 -2 -3	Weighing assembled not over 1,800 kilograms	00 . 0.05 . 0.10 es; ed
322 AIOPQRU 323 324	Acessories for vehicles: Wheels for rubber tires Spring seats Automobile trunks Automobile tops Fenders Spare tire holders Liquid for hydraulic brakes Motorcycles Airplanes. Parts and accessories for airplanes. (among the parts and accessories for airplanes are included: wings, steering geal landing gear, propellers and precision instruments for use aboat the airplane)	. 1.00 . 1.00 . 1.00 . 0.10 . 0.05 . 0.25 . 0.10 rts
327	Miscellaneous vehicles:	0.40
—А	Velocipedes	. 0.40
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Venezuelan Customs Tari	ff Decision of Asia	Rate of Import Duty Per Gross Kilogram
Number	Description of Article	(In Bolivars)
—Е —1 —2 —3	Pulled by mechanical traction: With body suitable for freight	. 0.005 . 0.10
330	Radio receiving apparatus. Phonographs:	
—A —B —C —D —E —F	Up to 10 kilograms net each	. 2.00 . 3.50 . 5.00 . 0.10
330 bis	Television receiving apparatus:	
—A —B —C —D —E	Up to 50 kilograms net each	. 1.50 . 2.00 . 2.50
332	Motion picture film:	
—A —B	Unprinted	
333	Refrigerators:	
—A —B —C —D	Up to 100 kilograms net each	. 0.30 . 0.50
336	Machines, instruments and scientific apparatus:	
—A 337 338	For engineering, for medical and laboratory use, unspecified Instruments for the arts and crafts, unspecified Sewing machines	. 0.001
341	Photographic articles:	4.00
—A —C	Plates, film, sensitized paper and cardboard Photographic apparatus. Photographic utensils, unspecified	
342 —A —B 344	Lamps. Lanterns: Electric	. 0.40
345	Calculating machines	. 0.30
345 bis 345 ter	Multigraphs and other duplicating apparatus	. 0.15
	ratus	. 0.05
346 347	Cash registers	er
A	With maximum capacity not exceeding 1 kilogram	. 1.00
B	With maximum capacity not exceeding 30 kilograms	
<u>-с</u>	With maximum capacity not exceeding 100 kilograms	. 0.20 . 0.14
—D —Е	With maximum capacity not exceeding 1,000 kilograms With maximum capacity exceeding 1,000 kilograms	. 0.14
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Venezuelan Customs Tarij Number	ff Description of Article	Rate of Import Duty Per Gross Kilogram (In Bolivars)
348	Motors and engines	. 0.001
349	Sparkplugs	. 0.001
350	Steam boilers	. 0.001
351	Hydraulic pumps. Cylinders for hydraulic pumps	. 0.001
353	Machine packing	. 0.001
	Machines and apparatus, unspecified:	
356		. 0.50
—А	Machines weighing not over 15 kilograms	
—В	Machines weighing over 15 kilograms	
<u>C</u>	Apparatus, unspecified, weighing not over 15 kilograms	. 0.00
D	Apparatus, unspecified, weighing over 15 kilograms	. 0.01
E	Spare parts and accessories unspecified for machines and app	a-
	ratus	. 0.05
F	Machines, apparatus and tools for drilling wells. Parts ar	
	accessories for the same	. 0.001
357	Pharmaceutical specialties, unspecified	. 1.95
358	Pharmaceutical products:	
—D	Unspecified	. 1.95
-	Dentifrices	. 2.00
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367	Soap:	4.00
—В	Toilet soap (including shaving soap of all kinds)	. 4.00
370	Varnishes	. 2.00
371	Paints:	
—A	Liquid, prepared in oil	. 1.50
—л —В	Prepared in varnish	. 2.60
—в —F	Cellulose lacquers	3.00
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382	Industrial preparations:	0.60
C	For polishing or cleansing (except synthetic detergents)	. 0.60
Н	For dyeing or shining footwear	. 1.20
394	Sporting goods:	
—С	Bathing suits	. 1.20
—С —Е	Unspecified	. 0.08
398	Electric plants	. 0.04
399	Generators:	1.00
—A	Up to 10 kilograms	1.00
—В	Up to 100 kilograms	
—С	Up to 1,000 kilograms	0.10
D	Over 1,000 kilograms	0.001
401	Transformers:	
—В	Up to 10 kilograms	0.25
— <u>в</u>	Up to 100 kilograms	0.20
C	Up to 1,000 kilograms	
—Е —Б	Over 1,000 kilograms	
	Switchboards	0.00
403	Electric batteries (and their parts)	
405		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
406	Storage batteries and their parts:	4.00
A	Complete	
—В	Cases	
— С	Plates	1.00
— D	Tops, plugs and collar plates	0.50
—Е	Separators	0.50
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Venezuelan Customs Tar Number		Rate of Import Duty Per Gross Kilogram (In Bolivars)
408 409	Electric light bulbs	
411 —A	Artificial plastic materials, unspecified: Unmanufactured, and those with a phenol base; of urea; of phthalic acid; and similar products (hardening or hardene	d
N 422 424	resins)	. 0.05 . 0.05
425 —A	Articles for writing: Pencils, carbon pencils and crayons	. 0.25
444	Machines and apparatus:	
<u></u> -с	Textile machinery. Parts for textile machinery	
<u>D</u>	Earth-leveling equipment (aplanadoras). Tractors	
— <u>E</u>	Electric or gasoline irons	
—F —H	For grinding corn or meat	
		. 1100
447	Tools with handles:	. Free
—В 449	Ordinary machetes Articles for breeding animals (feeding troughs, stables, stable brushes, manger cleaners, fodder-cutting machines, mechanic milking machines, electric milk coolers, individual mangers an their accessories, hygienic sties, stable ventilating equipment).	le al d
451	Articles for agricultural use: Parts for agricultural equipment (provided that because of their nature they are not susceptible of other use, and it wis be presumed, except when there is proof to the contrary, the the parts are of a kind adapted for use with agricultural machiner when they are imported in the original packing of companies.	ll at ry es
	specializing in their manufacture)	
452 458	Plows of all kinds. Accessories for plows	. Free
	exclusively	
467	Equipment for the protection of human life:	
—А	Life belts	. Free
—В	For workers, unspecified (except gloves)	. Free
— С	Diving suits. Parts for same	. Free
	Note: There are included in this classification clothing, shoe and helmets for divers, and the tubing for supplying air	
—D 472	Parachutes	. Free
714	more than 25 centimeters in thickness at both ends	. Free

SCHEDULE II-A

United States Tariff A of 1930 Paragra	ict)	Rate of Duty
301 301 1700 1710	Iron in pigs and iron kentledge	60¢ per ton 62½¢ per ton Free Free
	SCHEDULE II-B	
United States Tariff A of 1930 Paragra	lct)	Rate of Duty
1733	Petroleum, crude, fuel, or refined, and all distillates obtained from petroleum, including kerosene, benzine, naphtha, gasoline, paraffin, and paraffin oil, not specially provided for (except petroleum jelly or petrolatum and except mineral oil of medicinal grade)	Free
Internal Revenue Code Section		ate of Import Tax
3422	Crude petroleum, topped crude petroleum, and fuel oil derived from petroleum (including fuel oil known as gas oil):	
3422	Testing under 25 degrees A. P. I. Testing 25 degrees A. P. I. or more Liquid derivatives of crude petroleum (except mineral oil of medicinal grade and except any product described in any other item 3422 of this	1/8¢ per gal. 1/4¢ per gal.
3422 3422 3422	Gasoline or other motor fuel Lubricating oil Paraffin and other petroleum wax products	$1/_4$ ¢ per gal. $1^1/_4$ ¢ per gal. 2¢ per gal. $1/_3$ ¢ per lb.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES

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The American Ambassador to the Venezuelan Minister of Foreign Relations

AMERICAN EMBASSY CARACAS, VENEZUELA

No. 53

August 28, 1952

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the negotiations which led to the agreement between the Governments of the United States of Venezuela and the United States of America, signed August 28, 1952, which supplements the Reciprocal Trade Agreement, signed November 6, 1939, and to state in connection therewith that the economic policy of the United States envisages the reduction of tariffs and the elimination of discriminations including preferential arrangements.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

Fletcher WARREN

His Excellency Luis Emilio Gomez Ruiz Minister of Foreign Relations of Venezuela

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The Venezuelan Minister of Foreign Relations to the American Ambassador

[SPANISH TEXT — TEXTE ESPAGNOL]

ESTADOS UNIDOS DE VENEZUELA
MINISTERIO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES
DIRECCIÓN DE POLÍTICA ECONÓMICA

No. 3213-E-Sección de Economía

Caracas : 28 ago 1952

Excelencia:

Tengo el honor de avisar recibo a Vuestra Excelencia, de su atenta nota número 53, de esta misma fecha. $[Translation^1 - Traduction^2]$

UNITED STATES OF VENEZUELA
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF
ECONOMIC POLICY

No. 3213-E-Economics Section

Caracas, August 28, 1952

Excellency:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's courteous note No. 53 of today's date.

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¹ Translation by the Government of the United States of America.

² Traduction du Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique.

Se ha tomado debida nota de que la política económica de los Estados Unidos tiene como norma, la reducción de tarifas y la eliminación de discriminaciones, incluídos en ellas los arreglos preferenciales.

Válgome de esta oportunidad para renovar a Vuestra Excelencia las seguridades de mi más distinguida consideración.

Luis E. Gómez Ruiz

Al Excelentísimo Señor Fletcher Warren Embajador Extraordinario y Plenipotenciario de los Estados Unidos de América Presente Due note has been taken of the fact that the economic policy of the United States has as its guiding principle the reduction of tariffs and the elimination of discriminations, including preferential arrangements.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

Luis E. Gómez Ruiz

His Excellency Fletcher Warren Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America City