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No. 2978. CONVENTION¹ CONCERNING TRADE AND NA-VIGATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL AND THE ROYAL GREEK GOVERNMENT. SIGNED AT ATHENS, ON 22 JULY 1952

The High Contracting Parties, desiring to promote the development of commercial relations between the two countries, have agreed as follows:

Article I

The High Contracting Parties undertake to grant to each other reciprocally, in all matters relating to their commerce and navigation, treatment as favourable as that accorded to the most-favoured nation.

Article II

Each High Contracting Party shall grant most-favoured-nation treatment to natural or manufactured products originating in the territory of the other High Contracting Party, irrespective of the means used for their conveyance. This treatment extends to customs tariffs and other duties, and to customs regulations and formalities relating to imports and exports.

Article III

- 1. The treatment of vessels and ships flying the flag of either of the High Contracting Parties shall be governed in the ports of the other High Contracting Party by the provisions of the Convention on the International Régime of Maritime Ports, signed at Geneva on 9 December 1923,² and the Statute annexed thereto.
- 2. The expression "coasting trade", referred to in article 9 of the Statute annexed to the Convention on the International Régime of Maritime Ports, shall be construed to mean all conveyance of merchandise which, although shipped under direct bill of lading irrespective of its origin or destination is trans-shipped, whether immediately or not, in the port of one of the High Contracting Parties for conveyance to another port of the same High

Came into force on 22 July 1952, as from the date of signature, in accordance with article V.
League of Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. LVIII, p. 285; Vol. LXIX, p. 102; Vol. LXXII, p. 485; Vol. LXXXIII, p. 416; Vol. CVII, p. 491; Vol. CXVII, p. 184; Vol. CXXII, p. 349; Vol. CXLII, p. 342, and Vol. CXLVII, p. 332.

Contracting Party. The foregoing provisions are equally applicable in so far as the conveyance of passengers is concerned, even if the passengers hold direct passage tickets.

Article IV

The High Contracting Parties shall promote the conclusion of agreements having the object of developing trade between the two countries. For this purpose, each High Contracting Party shall grant to the citizens and corporations of the other Contracting Party the most-favoured-nation treatment provided for in article II.

Article V

No provision of this Convention shall affect any special privileges which are now in effect or which may hereafter be granted by either of the High Contracting Parties to neighbouring countries.

This Convention shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

Done in duplicate, at Athens, in the French language, on 22 July 1952.

For the Government of Israel: (Signed) Y. TEKOAH

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