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Accord commercial. Signé à Londres, le 20 novembre 1953

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Enregistré par Ceylan le 1^{er} décembre 1959.

No. 4967. TRADE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CEYLON AND THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND. SIGNED AT LONDON, ON 20 NOVEMBER 1953

The Government of Ceylon and the Government of Ireland, desiring to encourage closer economic and commercial relations between their two countries, have negotiated and agreed upon the following :

1. The Irish Government undertake to afford all reasonable facilities for the admission to Ireland of products of Ceylon origin and will more especially consider favourably the admission of goods to the export of which the Ceylon Government attach particular importance.

2. The Ceylon Government undertake to afford all reasonable facilities for the admission to Ceylon of products of Irish origin and will more especially consider favourably the admission of goods to the export of which the Irish Government attach particular importance.

3. In order to facilitate the operation of this Agreement, the two Governments have exchanged information regarding the products referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 and will keep each other informed of any additional items which they may desire to include in the trade between their two countries.

4. (a) Each Government undertakes to consider favourably the grant of all necessary facilities for the supply of goods essential to the other's economy.

(b) In pursuance of this policy, the Ceylon Government undertake that, should circumstances arise which make it necessary for them to restrict or otherwise regulate exports of tea, they will have due regard to the extent to which Ireland has purchased tea from Ceylon and will maintain supplies to Ireland at the highest possible level.

5. Each Government undertake to continue the grant to the other of preferential tariff treatment.

6. Each Government undertakes that the rates at which duties, cesses, taxes and other charges are or may be levied on exports to the other country shall not exceed the rates applied to exports to any other country.

7. The merchant shipping of both countries will be equally eligible for the transport of goods between the two countries.

¹ Came into force on 20 November 1953, upon signature, in accordance with paragraph 10.

8. Both Governments affirm their desire to encourage the development of direct trading and commercial relations between their two countries.

9. Each Government may, at any time, seek consultation with the other regarding the principles and arrangements set out in this Agreement.

10. The present Agreement shall enter into force immediately and shall remain in force for an initial period of one year. Unless on or before the expiry of the initial period either Government notifies the other of its desire to the contrary, the Agreement shall thereafter continue in force until terminated by either Government with six month's prior notice.

DONE in duplicate at London this twentieth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three, in the English and Irish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government
of Ceylon :
(Signed) E. A. P. WIJEXERATNE

For the Government
of Ireland :
(Signed) F. H. BOLLAND