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No. 5058. TRADE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA AND THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA. SIGNED AT DJAKARTA, ON 17 DECEMBER 1959

The Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, being desirous of promoting and expanding mutually beneficial trade relations between Indonesia and Australia, have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The two Governments agree to take all appropriate measures to facilitate trade between the two countries particularly in respect of the goods and commodities specifically mentioned in lists "A"² and "B"³ attached to this Agreement.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to preclude trade in goods and commodities not mentioned in the said lists.

Article 2

The two Governments agree that the exchange of goods and commodities shall be subject to, and effected within, the scope of the general import-export regulations in force in each country during the validity of this Agreement.

Article 3

The two Governments agree to grant each other treatment no less favourable than that accorded to any other country in accordance with the existing provisions of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.⁴

¹ Deemed to have come into force on 1 July 1959, in accordance with the provisions of article 8.

² See p. 114 of this volume.

³ See p. 116 of this volume.

⁴ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 55, p. 187; Vols. 56 to 64; Vol. 65, p. 335; Vol. 66, pp. 358 and 359; Vol. 68, p. 286; Vol. 70, p. 306; Vol. 71, p. 328; Vol. 76, p. 282; Vol. 77, p. 367; Vol. 81, pp. 344 to 377; Vol. 90, p. 324; Vol. 92, p. 405; Vol. 104, p. 351; Vol. 107, p. 83; Vol. 117, p. 387; Vol. 123, p. 303; Vol. 131, p. 316; Vol. 135, p. 336; Vol. 138, p. 334; Vol. 141, p. 382; Vols. 142 to 146; Vol. 147, p. 159; Vol. 161, p. 365; Vol. 163, p. 375; Vol. 167, p. 265; Vol. 172, p. 340; Vol. 173, p. 395; Vol. 176, p. 3; Vol. 180, p. 299; Vol. 183, p. 351; Vol. 186, p. 314; Vol. 188, p. 366; Vol. 189, p. 360; Vol. 191, p. 364; Vol. 220, p. 154; Vol. 225, p. 258; Vol. 226, p. 342; Vol. 228, p. 366; Vol. 230, p. 430; Vol. 234, p. 310; Vol. 243, p. 314; Vols. 244 to 246; Vol. 247, p. 386; Vol. 248, p. 359; Vol. 250, p. 290; Vol. 253, p. 216; Vol. 256, p. 338; Vol. 257, p. 362; Vol. 258, p. 384; Vol. 261, p. 390; Vol. 265, p. 328; Vol. 271, p. 386; Vol. 274, p. 322; Vol. 277, p. 346; Vol. 278, p. 168; Vol. 280, p. 350; Vol. 281, p. 394; Vol. 283, p. 308; Vol. 285, p. 372; Vol. 287, p. 343; Vol. 300, p. 371; Vol. 306, p. 332; Vol. 309, p. 362; Vol. 317, p. 317; Vol. 320, p. 326; Vol. 321, p. 244; Vol. 324, p. 300; Vol. 328, p. 290; Vol. 330, p. 352; Vol. 338, p. 334; Vol. 344, p. 304; Vol. 346, p. 312; Vol. 347, p. 362; Vol. 349, p. 314; Vol. 350, and Vol. 351.

Each Government guarantees to the other the application of the said treatment particularly in respect of customs rules and formalities, customs duties, taxes and charges of any kind, regulations of import and export of goods and commodities, as well as the procedure governing import and export licences.

Article 4

The Government of each country recognises that adequate and efficient shipping services are essential to the maintenance of present trade between the two countries and to the expected expansion of mutual trade. Moreover, the Government of each country recognises that the maintenance of adequate shipping facilities to service both Indonesia's and Australia's export is dependent on the preservation of a high level of two-way trade.

Article 5

The Indonesian Government recognises the importance of the trade in flour between the two countries to the maintenance of adequate shipping services. It is the expectation of the two Governments that on the basis of quality and terms and conditions of delivery Australia will continue to be an important supplier of flour to Indonesia. Through the formal consultation machinery established in this Agreement, it is the intention of both Governments to work towards greater predictability in the flour trade.

The Australian Government recognises the importance to Indonesia of its exports of tea and rubber to Australia. It is the expectation of the two Governments that on the basis of non-discriminatory access to the Australian market whereby the share of the market is determined on commercial considerations Indonesia will continue to be an important supplier of tea and rubber to Australia. The formal consultation machinery in this Agreement will be used to resolve any problems that may arise in connection with these commodities.

Article 6

The Government of each country expressed concern at the obstacles and uncertainties in international trade which confront primary exporting countries and the effects of these difficulties upon its external payments position.

The two Governments agree that there is an urgent need to find means of producing a greater degree of stability and predictability in international trade in primary products and they undertake to give sympathetic consideration to international action designed to improve the conditions of international trade in primary products of direct interest to either country.

Article 7

In order to facilitate the implementation of this Agreement the two Governments agree to consult together, upon the request of either, to discuss any matters arising from this Agreement or in connection with the trade between the two countries. For this purpose they will form a Joint Committee which will meet at the request of either Government.

Article 8

This Agreement shall be deemed to have entered into force on 1st July, 1959, and shall remain in force until 30th June, 1960.

The two Governments agree that before 31st May, 1960, they will discuss the scope and operation of this Agreement with a view to extending the period of its application or to replacing it with a new Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE in duplicate in the English language at Djakarta on the 17th day of December 1959.

For the Government
of the Commonwealth of Australia :
L. R. McINTYRE, O.B.E.

For the Government
of the Republic of Indonesia :
Soewito KOESOEMOWIDAGDO

LIST "A"

EXAMPLES OF GOODS AND COMMODITIES IN WHICH INDONESIA IS INTERESTED IN EXPANDING EXPORTS TO AUSTRALIA

Tea.
Coffee.
Timber.
Tobacco.
Kapok.
Vegetable fibres other than kapok.
Rubber.
Rubber latex.
Spices.
Sago and tapioca.
Oil seeds and nuts.

Molasses.
Hoods for hats.
Canes, rattans and bamboo.
Gums.
Turpentine.
Bauxite.
Manganese ores.
Miscellaneous, including essential oils, vanilla beans, fruits and handicrafts such as wood carvings and batik piece-goods.

LIST "B"

EXAMPLES OF GOODS AND COMMODITIES IN WHICH AUSTRALIA IS INTERESTED IN EXPANDING EXPORTS TO INDONESIA

Milk, preserved, sweetened.	Lead, all forms.
Milk, dried full cream.	Industrial chemicals.
Milk, powdered skim.	Tallow and stearic acid.
Butter and cheese.	Drugs and pharmaceuticals.
Casein.	Building materials and builders hardware.
Wheat flour.	
Malt, including roasted and torrified barley.	Motor vehicles and parts.
	Plant and special equipment, including industrial and agricultural plant and machinery.
Iron and steel bar, plate, sheet, pipe, tube and wire.	Railway equipment.
Structural steel.	Radio, telecommunications and electronic equipment.
Copper and copper based alloys.	
Zinc, all forms.	