No. 8392

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and ISRAEL

Agricultural Commodities Agreement under Title IV of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act, as amended (with exchange of notes). Signed at Washington, on 6 June 1966

Official text: English.

Registered by the United States of America on 21 November 1966.

ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE et ISRAËL

Accord relatif aux produits agricoles, conclu dans le cadre du titre IV de la loi tendant à développer et à favoriser le commerce agricole, telle qu'elle a été modifiée (avec échange de notes). Signé à Washington, le 6 juin 1966

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No. 8392. AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL UNDER TITLE IV OF THE AGRICULTURAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE ACT, AS AMENDED. SIGNED AT WASHINGTON, ON 6 JUNE 1966

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of Israel,

Recognizing the desirability of expanding trade in agricultural commodities between their two countries in a manner which would utilize surplus agricultural commodities, including the products thereof, produced in the United States of America to assist economic development in Israel;

Recognizing that such expanded trade should be carried on in a manner which would not displace cash marketings of the United States of America in these commodities or unduly disrupt world prices of agricultural commodities or normal patterns of commercial trade;

Recognizing further that by providing such commodities to Israel under long-term supply and credit arrangements, the resources and manpower of Israel can be utilized more effectively for economic development without jeopardizing meanwhile adequate supplies of agricultural commodities for domestic use;

Desiring to set forth the understandings which will govern the sales, as specified below, of commodities to Israel pursuant to Title IV of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Act);

Have agreed as follows:

Article I

COMMODITY SALES PROVISIONS

1. Subject to issuance by the Government of the United States of America and acceptance by the Government of Israel of credit purchase authorizations and to the availability of commodities under the Act at the time of exportation, the

¹ Came into force on 6 June 1966, upon signature, in accordance with article V.

Government of the United States of America undertakes to finance, during the periods specified below or such longer periods as may be authorized by the Government of the United States of America, sales for United States dollars, to purchasers authorized by the Government of Israel, of the following commodities:

Commodity	Supply Period	Approximate Maximum Quantity (metric tons)	Maximum Export Market Value to be financed (millions)
Feedgrains	Calendar Year 1966	140,000	\$7.8
Ocean transportation (estimated)	1001 1700	1.0,000	.7
		Total	\$8.5

The total amount of financing provided in the credit purchase authorizations shall not exceed the above-specified export market value to be financed, except that additional financing for ocean transportation will be provided if the estimated amount for financing shipments required to be made on United States flag vessels proves to be insufficient. It is understood that the Government of the United States of America may limit the amount of financing provided in the credit purchase authorizations, as price declines or other marketing factors may require, so that the quantities of commodities financed will not substantially exceed the above-specified approximate maximum quantities.

- 2. Applications for credit purchase authorizations will be made promptly after the effective date of this agreement. Purchase authorizations will include provisions relating to the sale and delivery of the commodities and other relevant matters.
- 3. The financing, sale, and delivery of commodities hereunder may be terminated by either Government if that Government determines that because of changed conditions the continuation of such financing, sale, and delivery is unnecessary or undesirable.

Article II

CREDIT PROVISIONS

1. The Government of Israel will pay, or cause to be paid, in United States dollars to the Government of the United States of America for the commodities specified in Article I and related ocean transportation (except excess ocean transportation costs resulting from the requirement that United States flag vessels be used), the amount financed by the Government of the United States of America together with interest thereon.

- 2. The amount of the principal due for commodities delivered in each calendar year under this agreement, including the applicable related ocean transportation costs, shall be paid in 19 approximately equal annual payments, the first of which shall become due two years after the date of last delivery of commodities in any calendar year. Subsequent annual payments shall become due at intervals of one year thereafter. Any annual payment may be made prior to the due date thereof.
- 3. Interest on the unpaid balance of the principal due the Government of the United States of America for commodities delivered in each calendar year shall begin on the date of last delivery of commodities in such calendar year and be paid not later than the date on which the annual payment of principal becomes due. The interest shall be computed at the rate of $2^{1}/_{2}$ percent per annum.
- 4. All payments shall be made in United States dollars and the Government of Israel shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, such payments in the United States Treasury for credit to the Commodity Credit Corporation unless another depository is agreed upon by the two Governments.
- 5. The two Governments will each establish appropriate procedures to facilitate the reconciliation of their respective records of the amounts financed with respect to the commodities delivered during each calendar year.
- 6. For the purpose of determining the date of last delivery of commodities for each calendar year, delivery shall be deemed to have occurred as of the onboard date shown in the ocean bill of lading which has been signed or initialed on behalf of the carrier.

Article III

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. The Government of Israel will take all possible measures to prevent the resale or transshipment to other countries, or the use for other than domestic consumption, of the agricultural commodities purchased pursuant to this agreement (unless such resale, transshipment or use is specifically approved by the Government of the United States of America); to prevent the export of any commodity of either domestic or foreign origin which is the same as or like the commodities purchased pursuant to this agreement in any United States calendar year during which Title IV commodities are being imported and utilized (except where such export is specifically approved by the Government of the United States of America); and to ensure that the purchase of commodities pursuant to this agreement does not result in increased availability of the same or like commodities to nations unfriendly to the United States of America.
- 2. The two Governments will take reasonable precautions to assure that sales and purchases of commodities pursuant to the agreement will not displace

usual marketings of the United States of America in those commodities or unduly disrupt world prices of agricultural commodities or normal patterns of commercial trade of countries friendly to the United States of America.

- 3. In carrying out this agreement, the two Governments will seek to assure conditions of commerce permitting private traders to function effectively and will use their best endeavors to develop and expand continuous market demand for agricultural commodities.
- 4. The Government of Israel will furnish quarterly: information on the progress of the program, particularly with respect to the arrival and condition of the commodities and provisions for the maintenance of usual marketings, and information relating to imports and exports of the same or like commodities.

Article IV

CONSULTATION

The two Governments will, upon request of either of them, consult regarding any matter relating to the application of this agreement or to the operation of arrangements carried out pursuant to this agreement.

Article V

ENTRY INTO FORCE

This agreement shall enter into force upon signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the respective representatives, duly authorized for the purpose, have signed the present agreement.

Done at Washington, in duplicate, this sixth day of June 1966.

For the Government of the United States of America: Raymond A. HARE

For the Government of Israel:
Avraham Harman

EXCHANGE OF NOTES

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The Acting Secretary of State to the Israel Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

June 6, 1966

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Title IV Agricultural Commodities Agreement between our two Governments signed today and to inform you of my Government's understanding of the following:

- 1. With regard to paragraph 4 of Article III of the agreement, the Government of Israel agrees to furnish the following information quarterly in connection with each shipment of commodities received under the agreement: the name of each vessel; the date of arrival; the port of arrival; the commodity and quantity received; the condition in which received; the date unloading was completed and the disposition of the cargo, i.e., stored, distributed locally, or if shipped, where shipped. In addition, the Government of Israel agrees to furnish quarterly: (a) a statement of measures it has taken to prevent the re-export or transshipment of the commodities furnished, (b) assurances that the program has not resulted in the increased availability of the same or like commodities to other nations and (c) a statement showing progress made toward fulfilling commitments on usual marketings. The Government of Israel agrees that the above statements will be accompanied by statistical data on imports and exports by country of origin or destination of commodities which are the same as or like those imported under the agreement.
- 2. As agreed in conversations which have taken place between representatives of our two Governments, the Israel pounds resulting from the sale of commodities financed under the agreement will be deposited by the Government of Israel in a special account in the name of the Government of Israel and will be used by the Government of Israel for economic and social development programs as may be mutually agreed upon by our two Governments.
- 3. It is understood that any Israel pounds resulting from the sale in Israel of the commodities financed under the agreement which are loaned by the Government of Israel to private or nongovernmental organizations shall be loaned at rates of interest approximately equivalent to those charged for comparable loans in Israel.

- 4. The Government of Israel agrees to furnish the Government of the United States of America semi-annual reports showing the total Israel pounds available to the Government of Israel from the sale of the commodities, a list of the projects being undertaken, and related information, including the name and location of each project, the amount invested in it and its status of completion.
- 5. In expressing its agreement with the Government of the United States of America that the delivery of commodities pursuant to the agreement should not unduly disrupt world prices of agricultural commodities or normal patterns of commercial trade with friendly nations, the Government of Israel agrees that in addition to the commodities to be purchased under the terms of the agreement, Israel will procure and import with its own resources from free world sources, including the United States of America, during calendar year 1966, at least 235,000 metric tons of feed grains.
- 6. The Government of Israel further agrees not to permit the export of corn, cracked corn, cornmeal, grain sorghums, barley, rye, oats or rolled oats during calendar year 1966 or in any calendar year during which the feed grains imported under the agreement are being received and utilized.
- 7. If the delivery of commodities under the agreement has not been completed by December 31, 1966, the level of additional usual marketing requirements and export limitations to apply during such additional supply period as may be granted by the Government of the United States of America shall be determined at the time of the Government of Israel's request for an extension.

I shall appreciate receiving your Excellency's confirmation of the above understanding.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Acting Secretary of State:

Raymond A. HARF

His Excellency Avraham Harman Ambassador of Israel

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The Israel Ambassador to the Acting Secretary of State

EMBASSY OF ISRAEL WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 6, 1966

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I have the honor to refer to your Note dated June 6 regarding the Title IV Agricultural Commodities Agreement between our two countries signed today, and to inform you that my Government concurs with the understanding set forth in your Note.

Please accept, Mr. Secretary, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Avraham Harman Ambassador

The Honorable George W. Ball Acting Secretary of State Department of State Washington, D.C.