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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT 1
BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND IRELAND RELATING TO THE IMPORTATION OF MEAT INTO THE UNITED STATES, FOR CONSUMPTION, DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1970

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

January 30, 1970

Sir:

I refer to discussions between representatives of our two Governments relating to the importation into the United States for consumption of fresh, chilled, or frozen cattle meat (item 106.10 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States) and fresh, chilled, or frozen meat of goats and sheep, except lambs (item 106.20 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States, during the calendar year 1970.

I am able to inform you that the Governments of all countries which are major suppliers of such meats to the United States have agreed to participate in the 1970 restreint program discussed by our representatives. These agreements are being embodied in exchange of notes between the Government of the United States of America and the Governments of the respective countries.

I propose that the agreement between our two Governments should provide as follows:

1. On the basis of the foregoing, and subject to paragraph 4, the permissible total quantity of imports of such meats into the United States during the calendar year 1970 shall be 1,061.5 million pounds and the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United States of America shall respectively undertake responsibilities as set forth below for regulating exports to, and imports into, the United States.

¹ Came into force on 30 January 1970, the date of the note in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

- 2. The Government of Ireland shall limit the quantity of such meats exported from Ireland as direct shipments on a through bill of lading to the United States for entry or withdrawal from warehouse for consumption during the calendar year 1970 to 65.5 million pounds or such higher figure as may result from adjustments pursuant to paragraph 4.
- 3. The Government of the United States of America may limit imports of such meats of Irish origin, whether by direct or indirect shipments, through issuance of regulations governing the entry or withdrawal from warehouse for consumption in the United States, provided that, with respect to imports which are direct shipments from Ireland
 - (a) such regulations shall not be employed to govern the timing of entry or withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of such meat from Ireland;
 - (b) such regulations shall be issued only after consultation with the Government of Ireland pursuant to paragraph 6, and only in circumstances where it is evident after such consultations that the quantity of such meat likely to be presented for entry or withdrawal from warehouse for consumption in the calendar year 1970 will exceed the quantity specified in paragraph 2, as it may be increased pursuant to paragraph 4.
- 4. The Government of the United States of America may increase the global quantity of imports of such meats into the United States or may allocate any shortfall in a share of the global quantity. Thereupon, if no shortfall is estimated for Ireland, such increase in global quantity or shortfall shall be allocated to Ireland in the proportion that 65.5 million pounds bears to the total initial shares from all countries which are estimated to have no shortfall for the calendar year 1970.
- 5. The Government of the United States of America shall separately report meats rejected as unfit for human consumption, and such meats will not be regarded as part of the quantity described in paragraph 2.
- 6. The Government of Ireland and the Government of the United States of America shall consult promptly upon the request of either Government regarding any matter involving the application, interpretation or implementation of this agreement and regarding increase in the global quantity and allocation of shortfall.
- 7. In the event that quotas on the imports of such meats should become necessary, the representative period used by the Government of the United States of America for calculation of the quota for Ireland shall not include the period between October 1, 1968 and December 31, 1970, unless with the consent of the Government of Ireland.

- 8. (a) To enable both Governments to follow progress under this agreement, the Government of the United States of America shall provide to the Government of Ireland as soon as possible after the end of each month:
 - (i) Details from all supplying countries of imports into the United States to that date.
 - (ii) An estimate of the expected supply/shipment position by country and in total.
- (b) As soon as possible after the end of each month the Government of Ireland shall provide to the Government of the United States of America details of scheduled arrivals to December 31, 1970, ship by ship and port by port, based on actual loadings in Ireland.

I wish to propose that, if the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of Ireland, this note together with your confirmatory reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my high consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

Julius L. Katz

Dr. Seán Ó hÉideáin Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of Ireland

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EMBASSY OF IRELAND WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 30, 1970

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to your note of today's date requesting confirmation of the agreement as set forth therein, and which reads as follows:

[See note I]

In reply I have the honor to inform you that the Government of Ireland accepts the agreement as set forth in the above note.

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

Seán Ó HÉIDEÁIN Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

The Honorable William P. Rogers Secretary of State Washington, D.C.