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Trade Agreement (with schedules). Signed at Dublin on 23 April 1970

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TRADE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN IRELAND AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

The Government of Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, desiring to promote direct trade between their two countries on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, have agreed as follows:

Article I

- 1. The Government of Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria shall use their best endeavours to develop the exchange of goods between Ireland and Bulgaria at the highest possible level.
- 2. The Government of Ireland shall have regard to the interest of the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria in exporting to Ireland the goods listed in Schedule A to this Agreement. The Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria shall encourage the import into Bulgaria from Ireland of the goods listed in Schedule B to this Agreement. Nothing in this Article shall, by reason merely of the absence of any goods from these Schedules, be understood to mean that trade between the two countries shall be confined to trade in the goods specifically mentioned in the Schedules.

Article II

Save as provided in Article III, each Government shall accord to the products of the other country treatment no less favourable than that accorded to the products of any third country as regards Customs duties and as regards all formalities connected with the importation and exportation of goods.

Article III

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as binding either Government to extend to the other the benefit of any treatment, preference or privilege which may be accorded to any other country by reason of,

(a) membership of a free trade area, a customs union or an economic community or

¹ Came into force on 23 April 1970 by signature, in accordance with article IX.

- (b) the conclusion of an agreement designed to lead to membership of such an area, union or community within a reasonable length of time or
- (c) other existing preferential trading arrangements.

Article IV

Representatives of the two Governments shall meet once a year to examine jointly the trade between the two countries in the preceding year, the progress made in the development of mutual trade and in particular the level of that trade. In the light of that examination, the parties shall consider what arrangements it may be necessary to make for the succeeding year. Further meetings of representatives of the two Governments may be convened at any time at the request of either Government.

Article V

For the purposes of the promotion of trade between the countries the two Governments shall facilitate each other's participation in trade fairs to be held in their respective countries and the organisation of exhibitions in each other's territory.

Article VI

Trade representatives and businessmen from either country shall enjoy in the other country full freedom of contact with the Government authorities dealing with commercial and financial matters as well as with firms and foreign trade organisations.

Article VII

The trade between the two countries shall be conducted on the basis of contracts to be concluded between the respective Bulgarian foreign trade enterprises and corporations being autonomous juridical persons on one side and physical and legal persons in Ireland on the other.

Article VIII

Payments in respect of trade between the People's Republic of Bulgaria and Ireland shall be made in Irish currency or in sterling or in any other convertible currency requested by the exporter.

Article IX

The present Agreement shall come into force on the date of signature and shall remain in force until the 31st December, 1970. Unless either Government give prior written notice of at least three months of their desire that the Agreement should terminate on 31st December, 1970, it shall continue in force thereafter until terminated by either Government upon six months prior written notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned duly authorised thereto, have signed the present Agreement and affixed hereunto their seals.

DONE in Dublin this 23rd day of April, 1970 in duplicate, in the English language.

For The Government of Ireland:
P. J. HILLERY

For The Government of The People's Republic of Bulgaria: L. AVRAMOV

SCHEDULE A

EXPORTS OF GOODS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

- 1. Fresh fruits and vegetables.
- 2. Dried and frozen fruits and vegetables.
- 3. Fruit and vegetable preserves.
- 4. Cereals and seeds.
- 5. Vegetable oils.
- 6. Tobacco and cigarettes.
- 7. Wine and other alcoholic drinks.
- 8. Cotton textile and cotton yarns.
- 9. Hardboards and plywood.
- 10. Wooden articles.
- 11. Toys and souvenirs.
- 12. Porcelain and glassware.
- 13. Fertilizers.
- 14. Dyes.
- 15. Chemicals.
- 16. Perfumery and cosmetics.
- 17. Medicines.
- 18. Products of electrotechnics and electronics.
- 19. Electric trucks, electric hoists.
- 20. Accumulators.
- 21. Agricultural machinery.
- 22. Machine tools.
- 23. Ships and ship equipment.

- 24. Ferrous and non-ferrous metals and articles.
- 25. Miscellaneous goods.

SCHEDULE B

EXPORTS OF GOODS FROM IRELAND

- 1. Live animals and cattle semen.
- 2. Meat and meat products.
- 3. Wool, hides and skins.
- 4. Dairy Products and calf milk replacers.
- 5. Fish and fish products.
- 6. Potatoes for sowing.
- 7. Other food products.
- 8. Beer, whiskey, and other drinks.
- 9. Textile products yarns, fabrics, knitted goods, clothing, carpets, ropes and twines.
- 10. Leather and footwear.
- 11. Ores, concentrates, metals and metal products.
- 12. Building materials PVC pipes and fittings, and veneers.
- 13. Refractory materials powders for furnace maintenance.
- 14. Machinery cranes and building machinery; agricultural machinery; drilling equipment, screens and pumps.
- 15. Electronic equipment and telecommunications.
- 16. Precision tools and appliances; measuring devices.
- 17. Hospital and medical equipment.
- 18. Industrial sealants and adhesives.
- 19. Pharmaceuticals.
- 20. Ships.
- 21. Car tyres and tubes.
- 22. Household appliances and utensils.
- 23. Sporting goods.
- 24. Razor blades, spectacle frames; stationery and view cards.
- 25. Miscellaneous goods.