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AGREEMENT¹ ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

The Government of Australia and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics,

Desiring to supplement the provisions of the Trade Agreement between their two Governments concluded on 15 October 1965,²

Noting the growth of trade which has occurred between their two countries as a result of that Agreement, and

Desiring to further the development of mutually beneficial trade and economic cooperation between their two countries,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The two Governments shall encourage and facilitate the further development of trade and economic relations between their two countries in order to expand and diversify as far as practicable mutually beneficial trade and to improve further the conditions of trade between them.

Article 2. (1) The Australian Government will bring to the notice of Australian firms and organisations the interest of Foreign Trade Organisations in the U.S.S.R. in exporting goods and services to Australia, particularly the goods listed in schedule A annexed to this Agreement.

(2) The Government of the U.S.S.R. will bring to the notice of Foreign Trade Organisations in the U.S.S.R. the interest of Australian firms and organisations in exporting goods and services to the U.S.S.R., particularly the goods listed in schedule B annexed to this Agreement.

(3) The provisions of this article do not imply any commitment to purchase goods listed in the respective schedules, nor do they imply that the desire of the two Governments for an increase in trade applies only to goods listed in the schedules.

(4) The schedules may be revised by arrangement between the two Governments.

Article 3. (1) The two Governments shall, as appropriate, encourage and facilitate in accordance with the existing laws and regulations of each country the development of economic cooperation between relevant enterprises and organisations in their respective countries.

(2) This cooperation may take the form of:

- (a) long term commercial contracts, for example in relation to industrial projects or the development of natural resources in each country;
- (b) visits by trade and industrial delegations and by specialists of industrial enterprises, research and design institutes and establishments, and other appropriate organisations;

¹ Came into force on 16 March 1973 by signature, in accordance with article 7 (1).

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 553., p. 239.

- (c) commercial arrangements relating to patents, licences, services and industrial and technical expertise;
- (d) other forms of cooperation which may be considered suitable by both Governments.

Article 4. The two Governments shall, in accordance with the existing laws and regulations of each country, exempt from the payment of import duties, articles for display at fairs and exhibitions as well as samples of goods, for advertising purposes, imported from the country of the other. Such articles and samples shall not be disposed of in the country into which they are imported without the prior approval of the competent authorities of that country and the payment of the appropriate import duties, if any.

Article 5. The two Governments shall support in principle the conclusion of international commodity agreements designed to improve the conditions of international trade in primary products of interest to them.

Article 6. (1) For the purpose of assisting in the implementation of this Agreement, a Mixed Commission is hereby established to consist of representatives designated by the respective Governments.

(2) The Commission shall meet once in every two years, or more frequently by mutual consent, alternately in Moscow and Canberra.

(3) The Commission will discuss measures for the expansion of mutual trade and economic cooperation and for the solution of problems which may arise in the course of the development of trade between the two countries.

(4) The Commission will discuss the state of trade between the two countries and may submit to the two Governments recommendations for promoting the further development of mutual trade and economic cooperation.

Article 7. (1) The present Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature and shall remain in force until the termination of the Trade Agreement between the two Governments concluded on 15 October 1965 pursuant to article VII of that Agreement.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 of this article, if either Government gives to the other notice in writing through the diplomatic channel of its desire to terminate the Agreement, the Agreement shall cease to have effect on the ninetieth day after the day on which the other Government receives that notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at Canberra this 16th day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy three in duplicate in the English and Russian languages, both of which shall be equally authentic.

For the Government
of Australia:

[Signed—Signé]¹

For the Government
of the Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics:

[Signed—Signé]²

¹ Signed by Jim Cairns—Signé par Jim Cairns.

² Signed by N. S. Patolichev—Signé par N. S. Patolitchev.

SCHEDULE A

Complete equipment for thermal and hydro-electric power stations	Measuring instruments
Diesel generators	Road building equipment
Electric motors	Aircraft and helicopters
Electric and gas welding equipment, including equipment for plasma welding	Tractors and agricultural machinery
Miscellaneous electro-technical equipment	Motor cycles and motor scooters
Mining equipment	Ferrous metals
Crushing and grinding and ore-enriching equipment	Ferro-alloys
Oil-drilling equipment and geological survey equipment	Non-ferrous metals
Hoisting and haulage equipment	Chemicals
Metallurgical equipment (cold rolling-plants, equipment for continuous steel ladling, convertors, etc.)	Sheet glass
Metal-working machine tools, forging and pressing equipment	Forest products
Equipment for the printing industry	Cellulose
Equipment for the food industry	Paper and cardboard
Pumping and compressing equipment	Canned fish
Communications equipment	Wine and vodka
	Cotton and linen textiles
	Pharmaceuticals
	Watches and clocks
	Still and movie cameras
	Radios and radiograms
	Sports goods and hunting equipment
	Handicraft items and toys

SCHEDULE B

Live animals for breeding and semen	Tin
Meat	Lead ores and concentrates
Dairy products—butter, cheese, dried milk and dried milk products, casein, butter-oil	Abrasives
Eggs and egg pulp	Spectacle frames
Crustaceans and molluscs	Natural and synthetic tanning material
Grains—wheat, rice, barley, feed grains	Men's and women's apparel
Fresh fruit—apples, pears, citrus, grapes	Motor vehicle accessories
Canned fruit and vegetables	Automotive garage and servicing equipment
Canned fruit juices	Agricultural and irrigation equipment
Dried fruit	Food processing equipment
Sugar	Telecommunications equipment
Honey	Postal sorting equipment
Wine and grape musts	Catering equipment
Hides and skins	Electronic equipment
Animal fats	Medical equipment
Vegetable oils	Timber milling equipment
Oilseeds and meals	Mining and quarrying equipment
Wool	Building and construction equipment
Steel and steel products	Container handling equipment
Bauxite, alumina and aluminum	Natural gas exploration and development equipment
	Aircraft and passenger terminal equipment