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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND AUSTRALIA RELATING TO THE IMPORTATION OF MEATS

I

December 22, 1976

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the export from Australia and importation into the United States of certain specified meats, and to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments concerning trade in such meats. As a result of these discussions, the Government of the United States of America proposes, as an interim measure, to limit imports of the following meats through issuance of regulations governing entry or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption in the Customs Territory of the United States:

1. 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 lamb (Item 106.20 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States) of Australian origin, other than imports into the Customs Territory of the United States which are direct shipments or on a through bill of lading from Australia;
2. Meats which, but for processing in foreign trade zones, territories or possessions of the United States, would fall within the above descriptions (and Items of the Tariff Schedules of the United States) upon entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption in the Customs Territory of the United States, other than imports into the Customs Territory of the United States which are direct shipments or on a through bill of lading from foreign trade zones, territories or possessions of the United States.

Such limitations will continue to apply until ten days following receipt of a written request for its discontinuance from the Government of Australia, unless it has been earlier discontinued by the Government of the United States of America.

I should be grateful to have your Excellency's confirmation that this proposal is acceptable to your government.

Accept Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:
JULIUS L. KATZ

His Excellency Nicholas Fancourt Parkinson
Ambassador of Australia

¹ Came into force on 23 December 1976 by the exchange of the said notes.

II

The Australian Ambassador to the Secretary of State

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your note of 22 December 1976 which reads as follows:

[See note I]

I wish to confirm, on behalf of the Government of Australia, that the proposal contained in Your Excellency's note is acceptable to my Government.

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

23 December 1976

[Signed]
N. F. PARKINSON
Ambassador

The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.
