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Preliminary list of items of import into Norway in which India is interested and upon which request for tariff concessions will be based. (Addition to or deletion from this list may be made at a later stage)

Norwegian Tariff Item No.	Description.	Rate of import duty in Norway as in 1937.	Reduced rate of duty proposed.
	Coir fibre:		
	- Manufactured:		
	e) Other manufactures:		
24	1. Floor and passage mattings.	0.30 Kr. per kilo.	0.15 Kr. per kilo.
25	2. Others	0.20 Kr. per kilo.	0.10 Kr. per kilo.
351	Coffee, raw.	0.30 Kr. per kilo.	0.15 Kr. per kilo.
	All other wooden wares		
	n.e.m.		
Ex 874	Tennis rackets	1.0 Kr. per kilo.	0.50 Kr. per kilo.
878	Manufactured others	0.20 Kr. per Kilo.	0.10 Kr. per Kilo.
Ex	Cricket bats, Golf clubs, Badminton rackets.		
959	Goods which cannot be classified under any of the above numbers.		
Ex	Requisites for games and sports.	15% ad val.	7½% ad val.
		A temporary surtax of 50% and extraordinary surtax of 20% are levied on all these goods.	May be abolished.

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Preliminary List of Items of Import into Norway in which India is interested and upon which Request for Tariff Concessions will be based.

(In supersession of the previous list)

Norwegian Tariff Item No.	Description	Current rate of import duty in Norway.	Reduced rate of duty Proposed.
	Coir fibre:		
	- Manufactured:		
	(e) Other manufactures:		
24	1. Floor and passage mattings	0.30 Kr. per Kilo.	0.15 Kr. per Kilo.
25	2. Others Ex. Door mats.	0.20 Kr. per Kilo.	0.10 Kr. per Kilo.
369	Coffee, raw	0.30 Kr. per Kilo.	0.15 Kr. per Kilo.
301	Ex. Football bladders made of rubber.	1.00 Kr. per Kilo.	0.50 Kr. per Kilo.
451	Ex. Badminton rackets.	4.00 Kr. per Kilo.	2.00 Kr. per Kilo.
781	Ex. Footballs.	1.50 Kr. per Kilo.	0.75 Kr. per Kilo.
835	Ex. Cat-gut string.	1.20 Kr. per Kilo.	0.60 Kr. per Kilo.
878	Ex. Cricket bats, Golf Clubs - turned.	0.50 Kr. per Kilo.	0.25 Kr. per Kilo.
893	Ex. Tennis rackets.	1.00 Kr. per Kilo.	0.50 Kr. per Kilo.
898	Ex. Cricket bats, Golf Clubs - Cut out.	0.20 Kr. per Kilo.	0.10 Kr. per Kilo.
		A temporary Surtax of 50% and extra- ordinary Surtax of 33½% of duty including the surtax are leviable on all the above goods.	May be abolished.

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Preliminary List (No.2) of items of import into Norway in which India is interested and upon which request for Tariff concessions will be based.

Norwegian Tariff Item No.	Description.	Current rate of import duty in Norway.	Reduced rate of duty pro- posed.
500	Hessian and gunny cloth.	Kr.0.10 per Kilo	Kr.0.05 per Kilo
743	Hessian and gunny bags.	Kr.0.20 per Kilo	Kr.0.10 per Kilo
A temporary Surtax of 50% and extra- ordinary Sur- tax of 33½% of duty including the Surtax are leviable on all the above goods,			May be abolished.

List of Products
on which Norway requests tariff concessions by British India,

Tariff Item	Commodity	Standard Rate of Duty pr. January 1., 1945.	Requested rate.
15(4)	Fish oil, incl. whale oil n.o.s.	30% ad.val.	50% reduction.
15(5)	Hardened fat	10% ad val.	50% reduction.
16(1)	Fish canned	30% ad val.	50% reduction.
23(8)	Chemicals: Acetic Acids Calcium Carbide	30% ad val.	Abolish preference or 50% reduction.
44	Writing Paper: a) Ruled or printed forms, envelopes m.m. b) all other sorts	a) Pr.1b.Rs. 0.0.9 or 25% ad val. b) Pr.1b.Rs. 0.0.10 4/5	50% reduction
44(1)	Printing Paper, excl. poster and stereo,- in which the mechanical wood pulp amounts to less than 70% of the fibre content	Pr. 1b. Ra. 1.1.10 4/5	50% reduction.
44(2)	Printing paper,- all sorts n.o.s. (among other newsprint)	30% ad val.	50% reduction.
44(3)	Paper, incl. poster and stereo and all coated papers, except art. paper, all sorts n.o.s.	30% ad val.	50% reduction.
44(4)	Pasteboard, millboard, cardboard and straw boards, all sorts	30% ad val.	50% reduction.

63(1)	Iron alloys,-viz. ferro-manganese, ferro-silicon, ferro-chrome and the like commonly used for steel making	18 3/4% ad val.	Free entry.
63(16)	Iron and steel nails and washers, all sorts n.o.s.	18 3/4% ad val.	10% ad val.
63(28)	Fish hooks	30% ad val.	15% ad val.
66(1)	Unwrought ingots, blocks and bars of aluminium	30% ad val.	Free entry.

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21st May 1947.

The Negotiating Teams of Norway and India met this morning to exchange lists of offers. Copies of lists exchanged are attached for the private information of the Secretariat.

The next meeting of the two teams will be held on Wednesday the 28th May 1947 at 11.30 a.m.



P. Bog,
Secretary, Norwegian
Negotiating Team.



S. M. Yusuf,
Secretary, Indian
Negotiating Team.

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ADDENDUM VII *to Norway*

TO LIST OF OFFERS BY INDIA.

Standard rate of duty

Existing

Offered

15(5)	Fish oil and whale oil, hardened or hydrogenated.	Rs. 12 per cwt.	Rs. 10 per cwt.
84	Toys, games, playing cardsand bows and arrows	60% ad val	30% ad val.
	Ex Fishing hooks.		

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MEMORANDUM

I forward herewith one copy, Number 18, of Addendum ~~XII~~ to list of offers by India in respect of requests for Tariff Concessions submitted by Norway. with whom we are opening negotiations to-day. It will no doubt be appreciated that this document is transmitted for your own information and is not to be copied, quoted from or otherwise circulated or made known to any other member in any way whatsoever.

These may kindly be attached to the List of Offers and Addenda ~~I-XII~~ to it supplied to you on the

for your
(B.N. Banerji)

Member - Secretary.

Geneva,
Dated the 21st August 1947.

J. A. Lacoste, Esq.,
Deputy Executive Secretary,
U.N. Secretariat,
Room 220.

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ADDENDUM XIII

to

LIST OF OFFERS BY INDIA

(Supplementary List of Offers to Norway)

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Standard Rate of Duty

Existing Offered

25	Chemicals, Drugs and Medicines, all sorts not otherwise specified		
	Ex Cod-liver oil in small packings	36% ad val	30% ad val

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Preliminary list of tariff concessions which Norway proposes to grant India.

Tariff item no. 1946/47.	Description.	Present rate Kr. per kg.	Requested rate Kr. per kg.	Proposed concession Kr. per kg.
Ex 451	Badminton rackets.	4.00 + 100%	2.00	1.00 + 100%
Ex 781	Foot balls (Match balls).	1.50 + 100%	0.75	Binding of present rate.
Ex 893	Tennis rackets.	1.00 + 100%	0.50	Binding of present rate.
Preliminary pro- visions § 6 (not also in connection with other materials)	Golf Clubs of wood, item 878 and 898	15% a.v.+100% (0.25 (0.10)		1.00 + 100%
Ex 451	Badminton Balls.	4.00 + 100%		1.00 + 100%

Note.

The concessions enumerated in this list have not yet been agreed by the constitutional authorities of Norway. They are brought forward tentatively and conditional upon the concessions mentioned in the Norwegian list of requests. The possibility of adjusting certain items to the international price situation is also reserved.

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MURRAY'S LIST OF OFFERS IF REFORMED TARIFF IS APPROVED FOR THE COUNTRIES

Tariff item no. 1946/47.	Tariff Description	Present rates of duty	Concessions requested	Offers
Ex 451	Badminton rackets	4,00 + 100%	2,00	1,00 + 100%
Ex 781	Foot balls (Match balls)	1,50 + 100%	0,75	1,00 + 100%
Ex 893	Tennis rackets	1,00 + 100%	0,50	Binding of present rate
Preliminary provisions § 6 (not item 378 and 898)	Golf clubs of wood, also in connection with other materials.	15% a.v. + 100%	0,25 and 0,10	1,00 + 100%
Ex 451	Badminton balls	4,00 + 100%		1,00 + 100%
Ex 835	Cat-gut strings	1,20 + 100%	0,60	1,00 + 100% (not for mu- sical use)
Ex 456	Raw jute	2,00	Binding	Binding free
Ex 743	Bags of jute	0,20 + 100%	"	Binding of present rate
369	Coffee, raw	0,30 + 100%	Binding	Binding of present rate

Note. The concessions enumerated in this list have not yet been agreed by the constitutional authorities of Norway. The possibility of adjusting cer-
tain items to the international price situation is also reserved.

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Johannes Dannevig, Esq.,
 Norwegian Delegation,
 Room 480, Geneva,
 Palais des Nations,
 Geneva.

19th August, 1947.

Dear Mr. Dannevig,

This memorandum will confirm that, as a consequence of the tariff negotiations between our Delegations and subject to confirmation by our respective Governments and the satisfactory conclusion of the present series of tariff negotiations on a mutually advantageous basis, India would be prepared to offer to Norway tariff reductions on the undermentioned items to the extent indicated against each -

Indian Tariff Item No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Standard rate of duty</u>	
		<u>Existing</u>	<u>Offered</u>
15(5)	Fish oil and whale oil hardened or hydrogenated	Rs. 12 per cwt	Rs. 10 per cwt.
28	Chemicals, drugs and medicines all sorts not otherwise specified		
	Ex. Cod-liver oil in small packages	36% ad val.	30% ad val.
84	Toys, games, playing cards ... and bows and arrows		
	Ex. Fishing hooks	60% ad val	30% ad val

2. Tariff reductions that Norway is prepared to accord to us are as detailed below -

Tariff Item No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Present rate</u>	<u>Offers</u>
		of duty Rs. per kg.	
Ex 451	Badminton rackets	4,00 + 100%	Kr. per kg. 1,00 + 100%
Ex 781	Footballs (Match balls)	1,50 + 100%	1,00 + 100%
EX 893	Tennis rackets	1,00 + 100%	Binding of present rate
Prelim. provision 6 (not item 878 & 898)	Golf clubs of wood, also in connection with other materials	15% a.v. +	1,00 + 100%

Johannes Dannevig, Esq.,

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<u>Tariff Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Present rates of duty</u>	<u>Offers</u>
Ex 451	Badminton balls	4,00 + 100%	1,00 + 100%
Ex 835	Cat-gut strings	1,20+ 100%	1,00 + 100% (not for musical use)
Ex 456	Raw jute	Free	Binding free
Ex 745	Bags or luggage etc	0,20 + 100%	Binding of present rate
369	Coffee, raw	0,30 + 100%	Binding of present rate.

3. I would add that the understanding arrived at in respect of the tariff treatment of coffee is that any concession that the Norwegian Government will accord to Brazil will automatically be extended to us but in case their negotiations with Brazil in regard to this commodity do not come to a satisfactory conclusion the Norwegian Government will negotiate further with India with a view to securing appropriate reduction in the Norwegian Customs Import Duty on coffee.

4. I should be obliged if you would kindly confirm the statements made above.

5. In conclusion, permit me to express our sincere appreciation of the very cordial manner in which these discussions were conducted by you and your team.

Yours sincerely,

Member-Secretary,
Indian Delegation.

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NORWEGIAN DELEGATION
to the International Trade
and Employment Conference

Geneva, July 24th 1947.

The Head,
Delegation of India,
Palais des Nations.

Sir,

I take pleasure in forwarding herewith 10 copies of Norway's final list of offers to India, as agreed upon in the last meeting between our negotiating teams on July the 22nd 1947.

Yours faithfully,

Arne Skraug
Head, Norway - India
Negotiating Team

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FINAL LIST OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS OFFERED BY NORWAY TO INDIA.

Tariff item no. 1946/47.	Tariff Description	Present rates of duty	Kr. per. kg. Concessions requested	Kr. per. kg. Offers
Ex 451	Badminton rackets	4,00 + 100%	2,00	1,00 + 100%
Ex 781	Foot balls(Match balls)	1,50 + 100%	0,75	1,00 + 100%
Ex 893	Tennis rackets	1,00 + 100%	0,50	Binding of present rate
Preliminary provisions § 6 (not item 878 and 898)	Golf clubs of wood, also in connection with other materials.	15% a.v. + 100%	0,25 and 0,10	1,00 + 100%
Ex 451	Badminton balls	4,00 + 100%		1,00 + 100%
Ex 835	Cat-gut strings	1,20 + 100%	0,60	1,00 + 100% (not for mu- sical use)
Ex 455	Raw jute	free	binding	binding free
Ex 743	Bags of jute	0,20 + 100%	"	Binding of present rate
369	Coffee, raw	0,30 + 100%	Binding	Binding of present rate