

CONFIDENTIAL

PRELIMINARY REQUESTS OF THE UNITED STATES

FOR TARIFF CONCESSIONS

FROM

CEYLON

Preliminary Requests by the United States for Tariff Concessions from Ceylon

| Tariff No. | Tariff Description | Unit | Present Rates of Duty | | Requested Treatment |
|---------------|--|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| | | | Gen. | Br. Pref. | Pref. |
| I-E-3 | Apples, fresh | | 20% | 10% | 20% eliminate |
| I-E-45 | Grapes, fresh | | 20% | 10% | 20% eliminate |
| I-E-36 | Fruit, dried or preserved, excluding currants, n.e.s. | | 30% | 25% | 25% |
| I-E-37 | Fruit, fresh, excluding apples and grapes | | 25% | 15% | 20% eliminate |
| I-E-57 | Milk foods (to include malted milks) | | free | free | free |
| I-F-8 | Tobacco, unmanufactured, other | lb. | Rs. 18.25 | Rs. 15.25 | Rs. 9.25 |
| II-B-1 | Asphalt | cwt. (112 lbs.) | Rs. 1.00 | Rs. 1.00 | Rs. 1.00 |
| III-C-23 (1) | Wire, black or galvanized - barbed | | 20% | 10% | 20% eliminate |
| III-E-7 | Photographic instruments and apparatus including paper, plates and films (except cinema films) | | 25% | 15% | 25% eliminate |
| III-F-3 | Electrical goods, apparatus and instruments and parts thereof, n.e.s. | | 25% | 15% | 25% eliminate |
| III-F-8 | Wireless goods and apparatus and parts thereof (to include radios and radio-phonograph combinations) | | 30% | 25% | 20% |
| III-6-3 | Cranes, hoists and lifting machinery and component parts thereof | | 25% | 15% | 15% |
| III-6-4 | Electric machinery and component parts thereof: | | | | |
| (v) | Motors | | 20% | 10% | 20% eliminate |
| (vi) | Transformers and convertors | | 20% | 10% | 20% eliminate |
| III-6-12 | Pumping machinery and component parts thereof | | 25% | 15% | 15% |
| III-6-13 | Refrigerating machinery and component parts thereof | | 25% | 15% | 15% |
| Not specified | Refrigerators | | 30% | 25% | 25% |
| III-6-19 | Typewriters and component parts thereof | | 20% | 15% | 15% |
| III-O-15 | Paints, colors and enamels | | 25% | 15% | 15% |
| III-O-16 | Patent medicines (except quinine preparations) | | 15% | 15% | 15% |
| III-P-6 | Lubricating oil | gallon | Rs. 0.60 | Rs. 0.50 | Rs. 0.40 |
| III-S-1 | Accessories for motor cars, motorcycles and motor scooters | | 27 1/2% | 20% | 20% |
| III-S-3 | Accumulators for motor vehicles, enclosed splash-proof | | 27 1/2% | 20% | 20% |
| III-S-10 | Magnetos for motor vehicles and component parts thereof | | 27 1/2% | 20% | 20% |
| III-S-11 | Motor cars, including chassis | | 27 1/2% | 20% | 20% |

Tentative List (Continued)

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|------------|---|------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| | | | Gen. | Br. Pref. | Rate Pref. |
| III-S-13 | Motor lorries, motor vans, motor omnibuses, tractors and trailers including chassis | | 22 1/2% | 15% | 15% |
| III-S-15 | Spare parts for motor vehicles, n.e.s. | | 22 1/2% | 15% | 15% |
| III-U-12 | Cinematograph films (sound and silent) | foot | 4 Ceylon cents | 3 2/3 Ceylon cents | 4 Ceylon cents |
| III-U-33 | Floorcloth | | 30% | 30% | 20% |
| III-U-36 | Perfumery, cosmetics, powder and toilet preparations (except perfumed spirits) | | 40% | 30% | 30% |
| III-U-50 | Stationery (other than paper and manufactures of iron or steel) including writing ink. (Also to include fountain pens) | | 15% | 15% | 15% |

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MADE BY CEYLON ON THE U.S.A.

| <u>Commodity</u> | <u>Tariff Item No.</u> | <u>Present rate of duty</u> | <u>Request</u> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|----------------|
| 1. Coconut oil | Ex. 54 | 2 cts. per lb. | Free entry |
| 2. Desiccated Coconut | | 3½ cts. per lb. | Free entry |
| 3. Copra | Ex. 1727 | Free | Bind free |
| 4. Coir Mats (without pile) | Ex. 1022 | 10 cts. per sq. yd. | Free entry |
| 5. Citronella and Cinnamon Oils | Ex. 1731 | Free | Bind free |
| 6. Cinnamon | Ex. 1768 | Free | Bind free |
| 7. Plumbago | Ex. 213 | Amorphous 5% ad.val. Crystalline lump, chip or dust: 15% ad val. | Free entry |
| 8. Papain (untreated) | Ex. 1669 | Free | Bind free |
| 9. Crude rubber | Ex. 1697 | Free | Bind free |
| 10. Tea | Ex. 1783 | Free | Bind free |
| 11. Coir Fibre and Coir Yarn | 1656 | Free | Bind free |
| 12. Rubber, sole crepe | | 20% | 5% |

Copy for Mr. Haight.

UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT

TO

Mr. Haight, U.S. Mission

Palais des Nations,
Geneva.

3rd June, 1947.

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I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Haight, who asked me some days ago whether the list was available.

Yours sincerely,

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UNITED KINGDOM DELEGATION
TO
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PRELIMINARY OFFERS OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS

TO BE MADE BY Ceylon TO THE U.S.A.

| <u>Commodity</u> | <u>Present Rates of Duty</u> | | <u>Offer</u> |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| | <u>General</u> | <u>Preference</u> | |
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| Fruit, dried or preserved, excluding currants, n.e.s. | 30% | 25% | 25% Eliminate preference |
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| Milk feeds (to include malted milks) | Free | Free | Bind free |
| Tobacco, unmanufactured | Rs.18.25 per lb. | Rs.15.25 per lb. | No offer |
| Asphalt | Rs.1.00 per cwt. | Rs.1.00 per cwt. | Bind at existing rate |
| Wire, black or galvanized - barbed | 20% | 10% | No offer |
| Photographic instruments and apparatus including paper, plates and films (except cinema films) | 25% | 15% | Gen. 25% Pref. 20% |
| Electrical goods, apparatus and instruments and parts thereof, n.e.s. | 25% | 15% | Gen. 20% Pref. 15% |
| Wireless goods and apparatus and parts thereof (to include radios and radio-photograph combinations) | 30% | 25% | No offer |
| Cranes, hoists and lifting machinery and component parts thereof | 25% | 15% | Gen. 20% Pref. 15% |
| Electric machinery and component parts thereof: | | | |
| Motors | 20% | 10% | Gen. 15% Pref. 10% |
| Transformers and converters | " | " | Gen. 15% Pref. 10% |
| Pumping machinery and component parts thereof | 25% | 15% | No offer |
| Refrigerating machinery and component parts thereof | 25% | 15% | " " |
| Refrigerators | 30% | 25% | " " |
| Typewriters and component parts thereof | 20% | 15% | " " |
| Paints, colors and enamels | 25% | 15% | " " |
| Patent medicines (except quinine preparations) | 15% | 15% | Bind existing rates |
| Lubricating oil | Rs.0.60 per gal. | Rs.0.50 per gal. | No offer |
| Accessories for motor cars, motor-cycles and motor scooters | 27½% | 20% | " " |

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|---|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
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| Accumulators for motor vehicles, enclosed splash-proof | 27½% | 20% | No offer |
| Magnetos for motor vehicles and component parts thereof | " | " | " " |
| Motor cars, including chassis | " | " | " " |
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| Spare parts for motor vehicles, n.e.s. | " | " | " " |
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| Stationery (other than paper and manufactures of iron or steel) including writing ink. (Also to include fountain pens) | 15% | 15% | No offer |

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DELEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Dear Mr. Gilpin:

Following the termination of the bilateral phase of tariff negotiations between the United States of America and Ceylon, I am sending to you herewith a copy of the list of tariff concessions offered by the United States of America to Ceylon. The tariff concessions shown on the attached list are those reached by the negotiating teams representing the two countries, and they are subject to any adjustment that may be required as the result of other negotiations as they are completed. They are also subject to the approval of the Government of the United States,

The description of the commodities shown in the attached list is on the basis of statistical language commodity descriptions, since negotiations were, for convenience, conducted on that basis. The commodity descriptions that will appear ultimately in the United States Schedule annexed to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade will, of course, be in the legal language of the United States Tariff Act.

Sincerely yours,


Winthrop G. Brown
Acting Chairman
U.S. Delegation

A. C. Gilpin
Acting Executive Secretary
U. N. Secretariat
Palais des Nations

UNITED STATES OFFERS TO CEYLON

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| Tariff Par. No. | Statistical No. (1946) | Description of Item | U.S. Offer | Negotiating Countries |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 54 | 2242.500 | Coconut oil | 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. | Ceylon; U.K. |
| 213 | | Graphite or plumbago | | |
| | | Amorphous | | |
| | 5730.100 | Natural | Bind | Ceylon |
| | 5730.200 | Artificial | Bind | Ceylon |
| | | Crystalline | | |
| | 5730.610 | Crucible lump and chip graphite | 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ % | Ceylon |
| | 5730.630 | Dust and other crystalline lump and chip graphite | 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ % | Ceylon |
| 758 | 1379.000 | Coconut meat, shredded and desiccated or similarly prepared | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. | Ceylon |
| 1022 | 3963.000 | Matting and articles of cocoa fiber or rattan | 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ sq. yd. | |
| 1656 | 3409.000 | Coir fiber | Bind | Ceylon |
| 1669 | 2210.620 | Paw paw juice or papain, dried (untreated) | Bind | Ceylon; U.K. |
| 1697 | 2011.000 | Rubber unmanufactured | | |
| | | Rubber, milk of, or latex (dry rubber content) | Bind | U.K. |
| | 2013.000 | Other rubber, crude (Hevea, Caucho and other natural). (Include Manicoba; Mangabeira; crepe sole rubber C.A.D. 276 effective May 18, 1944.) Chilte, see 2171.900) | Bind | U.K. |
| 1697 | | Rubber, sole crepe | (see class 2013.000) | |
| 1727 | 2232.000 | Copra | Bind | Ceylon; U.K. |
| 1731 | | Essential or distilled oils: | | |
| | | Not containing alcohol | | |
| | 2270.300 | Cinnamon-leaf | Bind | Ceylon; U.K. |
| | 2270.500 | Cinnamon n.s.p.f. | Bind | Ceylon; U.K. |
| | 2274.100 | Citronella | Bind | Netherlands |

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| Tariff Par. No. | Statistical No. (1946) | Description of Item | U.S. Offer | Negotiating Countries |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1768 | 1526.000 | Cinnamon and cinnamon chips, unground | Bind | Ceylon; U.K. |
| 1783(b) | 1521.000 | Tea, n.s.p.f. | Bind | Ceylon |