

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

Proposed Tariff Negotiating Conference, January 1956

Australian Requests on U.S.A.

The following request list has been communicated by Australia to the United States authorities (References are to paragraph numbers in the United States Customs Tariff):-

Wool - whole item 1102 (b) except hairs,

Wool - on skin not finer than 44's ex 1102 (a)

" " " " " 40's ex 1101 (a)

Wool and Hair waste:

Furr or card waste:

carbonised

not carbonised.

Nails:

carbonised

not carbonised.

Ring waste, roving waste, slubbing waste and top waste.

Wool hosiery clips (ex Wool Wastes nspf) ex 1105 (a) (b)

Wool, Carbonised including tops, 1106

Tungsten Ores and Concentrates 302 (c)

Meat extracts 705

Iron and steel, sashes and frames 312

Lead, 391 and 392

Zinc, 393 and 394

Beef: Fresh, chilled frozen ex 701

Lamb: Fresh, chilled frozen ex 702

Mutton: " " " ex 702

CANBERRA, 15th August, 1955.

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS 1956

Preliminary List of Requests

Tariff Items in respect of which the Government of the
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

requests concessions from the Government of the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

for all of the following tariff items Australia requests
the maximum reduction of 15 per cent permissible under
current U.S. legislation.

Tariff Item

Product

Ex Para 38

Tanning Extracts n.s.p.f.

Ex Para 52

Wool grease N/O 2% fatty acid

Ex Para 58

Eucalyptus Oil

Ex Para 704

Game, fresh, frozen

Ex Para 1533

Catgut

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UNITED STATES REQUESTS ON AUSTRALIA

| <u>Tariff Item</u> | <u>Commodity Description</u> | <u>Stat. Nos.</u> | <u>Present rate</u> | <u>Request</u> |
|--------------------|--|-------------------|---|--|
| ex105(H)(1) | Waterproofed piece goods - cotton or chiefly cotton | 2432 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-27½%; Prim. 10% 5% | 30% Elim. prim |
| ex169(A)(4) | Typewriters, including covers and parts | 5571 5575 | U.S.-17½%; B.P. Free Can. 10% | 10% Elim. Can; |
| ex169(C)(1)(b) | Other printing machines, etc. (office and accounting machinery n.e.i. including statistical) | 5579 | U.S.-17½%; B.P. Free | 10% |
| 170(A)(2)(a) | Dredging and excavating machinery up to 45 tons and parts | 5702 5703 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-22½%; N.Z.-10% Prim. 10%; 5% - 5% | 30% Elim. prim |
| 170(A)(2)(b) | Dredging and excavating machinery over 45 tons and parts | 5702 5703 | U.S.-12½%; B.P.-Free Prim. 10%; 5% N.Z.-10% 5% | Elim. prim |
| 170(B)(1) | Winding engines | 5729 | U.S.-42½%; B.P.-17½%; Prim. 10% 5% | 30% Establish max. pref. 12½% Elim. prim |
| 170(B)(3) | Mining and metallurgical machinery n.e.i. | 5729 | U.S.-30%; B.P.-7½%; Prim. 10% 5% | 20% Establish max. pref. 12½% Elim. prim |
| ex176(D)(1) | Road making machines n.e.i.; viz: complete units and detached appliances for tractors | 5705 5706 | U.S.-42½%; B.P.-17½%; Prim. 5% exempt | 25% Establish pref. 10% Elim. prim |
| ex176(F)(1) | Machines and machinery n.e.i. | | U.S.-55%; B.P.-27½%; Prim. 5% exempt | 30% Elim. prim |
| | Pumps (machinery) except those of the type used for vending petrol | 5939 | | |

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| <u>Tariff Item</u> | <u>Commodity Description</u> | <u>Stat. Nos.</u> | <u>Present Rate</u> | <u>Request</u> |
|--------------------|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| | Other machines and machinery n.e.i. | 5999 | | |
| | Office and accounting machinery (incl. statistical) | 5579) | | |
| | Road making machinery n.e.i. | 5705) | | |
| | Refrigerators, mechanical, type used for food storage, up to and including 10 cu. ft. internal capacity and parts thereof | | | |
| ex176(F)(2)(a) | (1) Parts of refrigerators | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |
| | (2) Parts (when not incorporated in complete refrigerator) imported in an assembled or partly assembled state | | | |
| | (b)(1) Compressors, single cylinder | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |
| | (b)(2) Compressors, double cylinder | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |
| | (c) Evaporators | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |
| | (d) Sealed or semi-sealed refrigerating unit including mechanical driving units, etc. | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |
| | (e) Other | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |
| 176(F)(2)(b) | Parts of mechanical refrigerators imported in an assembled or partly assembled condition; metal pressings for cabinets for mechanical refrigerating appliances | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |
| 176(F)(2)(c) | Parts n.e.i. of mechanical refrigerating appliances | 5519 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-30% | 30% |

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| <u>Tariff Item</u> | <u>Commodity Description</u> | <u>Stat. Nos.</u> | <u>Present rate</u> | <u>Request</u> |
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| 176(N)(1) | Air compressors (including air blowers) of the reciprocating and rotary types | | | |
| (a) | Of a capacity not exceeding 1750 cu.ft. free air delivered per minute | | | |
| (1) | Portable | 5901 | U.S.-35%; B.P.-17½% | 20% |
| (2) | Other | 5901 | U.S.-37½%; B.P.-20% | 20% |
| (b) | Of a capacity exceeding 1750 cu.ft. free air delivered per minute | 5901 | U.S.-12½%; B.P.-Free | Bind 12½% |
| 176(N)(2) | Air and gas compressors and exhausters n.e.i. | 5901 | U.S.-37½%; B.P.-20% | 20% |
| 178(B)(1) | Piston pins for internal comb. engines | 5453 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-22½% Prim. 10% 5% | 30% Elim. prim. |
| 178(B)(2) | Piston rings for internal comb. engines | 5453 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-22½% or 2nd each whichever is higher Prim. 10% 5% | 30% Elim. specific rate elim. prim. |
| 178(c)(1) | Valves for internal combustion engines, 1 lb. and under | 5454 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-22½% or 2s.9d.; or 1s.6d, each or each which- ever is higher Prim. 10% 5% | 30% Elim. specific rate elim. prim. |
| 178(C)(2) | Valves for internal combustion engines, other | 5454 | U.S.-47½%; B.P.-22½% Prim. 10% 5% | 30% Elim. prim. |
| 178(E) | Motive power machinery n.e.i. | 5499 | U.S.-55%; B.P.-27½% Prim. 5% Exempt | 30% Elim. prim. |
| 179(D)(1) (c)(4)(a) | D.C. and universal machines, other, 0.746 K.W. up to 20 K.W. | 5362 5368 | U.S.-40%; B.P.-22½% | 25% |

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| <u>Tariff Item</u> | <u>Commodity Description</u> | <u>Stat. Nos.</u> | <u>Present Rate</u> | <u>Request</u> |
|----------------------------|--|--|---|--------------------------------|
| ex180(E)(2) thru (14) | Headphones, parts of, and accessories for wireless receivers other than cabinets (including television) | 5271 5272 5273 5275 5277 5279 | U.S.-45% ^{1/} ; B.P.-27 $\frac{1}{2}$ % or appli- or appli- cable cable specific specific rate rate whichever is higher | 30% Elim.speci- fic rate |
| ex180(F) | Electric and gas appliances n.e.i. (wireless transmitting sets, wholly or partly assembled) | 5265 | U.S.-42 $\frac{1}{2}$ %; B.P.-17 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Prim. 5% Exempt | 30% Elim.prim. |
| 181(A)(2) | Valves for wireless telegraphy and telephony including rectifying valves | 5281 | U.S.-35%; B.P.-17 $\frac{1}{2}$ % or 4s.6d; or 3s.3d each, each whichever is higher | 25% Elim.speci- fic rate |
| 320(c)(2) (c) (1)(a) | Exposed or developed film Other Film for exhibition purposes only and not imported or intended for purposes of copying | 7627 7633 7637 | U.S.-5d lin.ft; B.P.-1d Prim. 10% lin.ft. 10% 10% | 3d.lin. ft. elim.prim. |
| (3) | N. E. I. | 7627 7633 7637 | U.S.-5d lin.ft; B.P.-1d Prim. 10% lin.ft. 10% 10% | 3d.lin. ft. elim.prim. |
| ex326 | Rubber, canvas and composition belting (belting, other than leather) | 6219 | U.S.-37 $\frac{1}{2}$ %; B.P.-17 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Prim. 5% Exempt | 25% Elim.prim. |
| ex333(A)(2) | Tires for tractors, earth moving equipment and the like | 6035 | U.S.-1s.; B.P.-6d 6d lb. lb. Can.1s. 6d lb. | 9d. lb. |
| 151(B)(1) | Brake and transmission linings | 5031 5033 | U.S.-37 $\frac{1}{2}$ %; B.P.Free 10% Can.-22 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 10% | 25% Elim.prim. |

FOOTNOTES:

B.P. - British Preference; Prim. - Primage; Pref. - Preference.

* Non British Commonwealth.

^{1/}Certain wireless receiver parts from the U.S. are subject to minimum rates of 50 and 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ percent.

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TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS 1956

Tariff Concessions Which the United States of America Requests
from Australia

October 13, 1955

The attached list of requests is subject to alteration in the light of information which the Government of the United States may obtain pursuant to its formal public notice of intention to undertake trade-agreement negotiations with the Government of Australia. Such public notice, which was issued September 21, 1955, is required under the Trade Agreements Act of 1934, as amended and extended, the legislative authority under which the United States undertakes these tariff negotiations.

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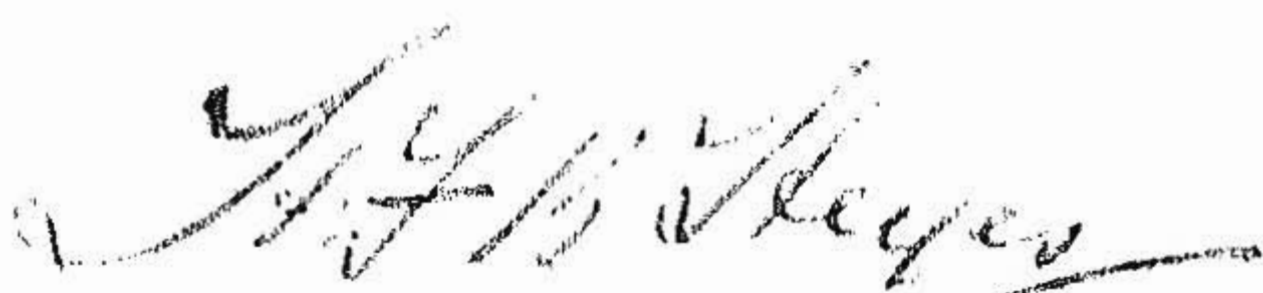
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1956 TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS

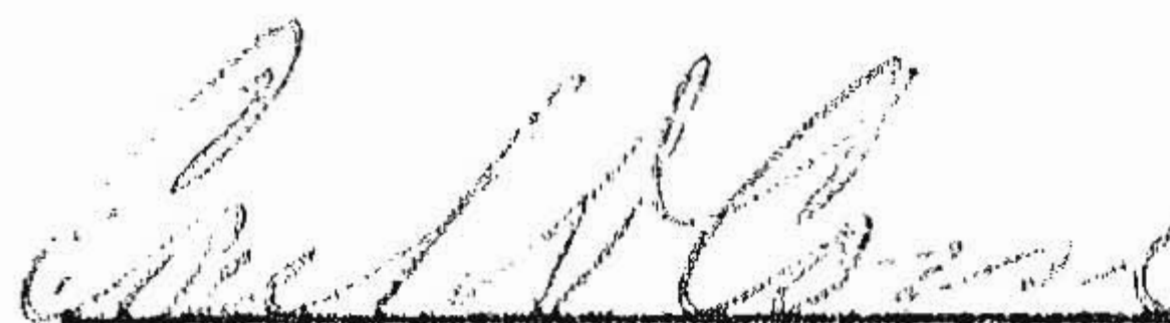
The Delegation of Australia and the Delegation of the United States of America hereby inform the Executive Secretary that they have today completed their bilateral negotiations.

They accordingly attach hereto forty copies of the two lists of concessions agreed upon.

It is understood that the lists of concessions may be subject to some modification in the light of other bilateral negotiations still to be concluded or of the final multilateral stage of the tariff negotiations.



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GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

1956 TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS - GENEVA

United States Tariff Concessions Agreed To
in Bilateral Negotiations with Australia

April 9, 1956

(Subject to Approval by the President of the United States)

Note: Descriptions of products are subject to such changes in terminology as may be necessary in the translation of the statistical descriptions into definitive United States tariff nomenclature to be set forth in the consolidated United States schedule of concessions to be annexed to the 1956 Protocol of Supplementary Concessions.

Reductions in duty will be made in three annual stages, the first stage to become effective not later than June 30, 1956. In the event that any specified rate becomes effective and subsequently becomes ineffective by reason of action taken pursuant to paragraph 3 (ii) of the said Protocol of Supplementary Concessions or any other reason, the later stages of reductions will not be made effective until the rate which became ineffective has been restored and has been in effect for a total period of one year.

| U.S. Tariff Par. No. | 1954 Statistical Class No. | Statistical description of product | Jan. 1, 1955 rate of duty | Rate of duty | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | | | 1st stage | 2d stage | 3d stage |
| 38 | 2345.900 | Tanning extracts, n.s.p.f. | 7½% | 7% | 6½% | 6% |
| 58 | 2290.200 | Eucalyptus oil, not containing alcohol | 7½% | 7% | 6½% | 6% |
| 704 | 0023.500 | Game (except birds), n.s.p.f., including reindeer meat, fresh, chilled, or frozen | 3¢ lb. | 2.8¢ lb. | 2.7¢ lb. | 2.5¢ lb. |
| 1533 | 0990.180 | Catgut, whip gut, and oriental gut and manufactures of worm and other gut, n.s.p.f. | 20% | 19% | 18% | 17% |

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with the United States of America

Note: Descriptions of products set out hereunder are tentative and may be subject to changes in terminology when translated into definitive Australian tariff nomenclature for the consolidated Australian schedule of concessions to be annexed to the 1956 Protocol of Supplementary Concessions.

| Tariff Item Numbers I | Description of Products II | Present Rates of Duty (D = Customs Duty; P = Primage Duty.) B.P.T. ⁽¹⁾ M.F.N. III | Concessions IV |
|------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------|
| 170(B) ex (3) | Mining and metallurgical machinery and appliances, viz.:- N.E.I., other than the following, viz., ore crushing, pulverising, screening and dressing machinery and appliances and smelting, leaching and metal refining machinery and appliances | D. $7\frac{1}{2}\%$ 30% P. For use in the mining industry - (2) Ex. Ex. Otherwise - 5% 10% | Exemption from primage duty |
| Ex 176(D)(1) | Road-making machines n.e.i. | NEW ZEALAND: D. Coal screening machinery - $17\frac{1}{2}\%$ P. Ex. 5% 42 $\frac{1}{2}\%$ | Exemption from primage duty |

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| Tariff Item Numbers I | Description of Products II | Present Rates of Duty (D = Customs Duty; P = Primage Duty.) B.P.T. ⁽¹⁾ M.F.N. III | Concessions IV |
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| 180 (E) | <p>Electrical and Gas Appliances, viz.:- Wireless receivers, parts thereof, and accessories therefor, viz.:- (8) Combined power transformers and chokes or any device for eliminating "AB", "BC" or "ABC" batteries, such as power packs and similar devices, whether imported separately or incorporated in a wireless receiving set</p> <p>(9) Choke coils suitable for use in connexion with battery eliminating devices</p> | <p>D. each 15/- 26/6 or or ad val. 27½% 50% whichever rate returns the higher duty</p> <p>P. 5% 10%</p> <p>NEW ZEALAND: D. When forming part of a complete wireless broadcast receiving set - If set not mounted in cabinet - Free If set mounted in cabinet - 10%</p> <p>D. each 3/9d. 10/- or or ad val. 27½% 52½% whichever rate returns the higher duty</p> <p>P. Ex. 5%</p> <p>NEW Zealand: D. As for Item 180(E) (8)</p> | <p>Binding of M.F.N. duty at 25/- each or 45%, whichever rate returns the higher duty, and exemption from primage duty</p> <p>Binding of M.F.N. duty at 10/- each or 45%, whichever rate returns the higher duty, and exemption from primage duty</p> |
| Ex 326 | Rubber, canvas, and composition belting, other than conveyor belting | <p>D. 17½% 37½% P. Ex. 5%</p> | Binding of M.F.N. duty at 37½% and exemption from primage duty |

(1) Unless shown otherwise the above goods, when of New Zealand or Canadian origin, are dutiable at B.P.T. rates of duty. In addition, goods of New Zealand origin are exempt from primage duty.

(2) "Ex." indicates exemption from primage duty.

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