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No. 5836. TRADE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUMANIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE IRAQI REPUBLIC. SIGNED AT BAGHDAD, ON 24 DECEMBER 1958

The Government of the Rumanian People's Republic and the Government of the Iraqi Republic, animated by the desire to develop, extend and consolidate trade and economic relations between the two countries on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, have agreed as follows :

Article 1

The two Governments will endeavour to promote and expand trade between the two countries.

Each Government shall, with the best intentions and in a perfect spirit of co-operation, give full consideration to the suggestions that may be made by the other Government with a view to the development and expansion of commerce between the two countries.

Article 2

Subject to their respective laws and regulations, the two Contracting Parties undertake to grant import/export licences for the goods set forth in Schedules A² and B² attached to this Agreement.

The value of Rumanian purchases from Iraq shall be no less than 25% of the value of Rumanian exports to Iraq.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to preclude trade in goods not mentioned in the said Schedules.

Article 3

The two Contracting Parties agree to grant each other most-favoured-nation treatment, especially with regard to the following matters :

(a) Customs duties and other charges of any kind in force in the territory of either of them in respect of import, export and transit of goods.

¹ Came into force on 2 June 1959, upon the exchange of the instruments of ratification at Baghdad, in accordance with article 12.

² See p. 261 of this volume.

(b) Regulations and customs formalities relating to import, export, transit, storage and transhipment of goods.

Article 4

The provisions of Article 3 shall not apply to the grant or continuance of any :

(a) Privileges which are or will be granted by either of the two Contracting Parties in order to facilitate frontier Traffic.

(b) Special privileges resulting from a Customs Union entered into by either of the two Contracting Parties.

(c) Special privileges or advantages granted or may be granted by the Rumanian People's Republic to any adjacent country.

(d) Special privileges or advantages granted or may be granted by the Iraqi Republic to any Arab State.

Article 5

In order to promote the exportation of goods of Iraqi origin, the two Contracting Parties agree that the goods purchased in the Iraqi Republic by the Rumanian foreign trade organisations may be re-exported to other countries after obtaining previously the approval of the Iraqi party.

Article 6

The two Governments will study and with utmost goodwill take decisions on the suggestions which either of them would like to present for consideration of the other, with the purpose of concluding multilateral transactions.

Article 7

The merchant ships belonging to either of the two Contracting Parties, together with their cargoes, shall enjoy most-favoured-nation treatment, in respect of all matters relating to navigation, free entry into the ports open to foreign trade, use of ports and harbour facilities, loading and unloading dues, taxes and other facilities.

Article 8

The Government of the Rumanian People's Republic is ready to render technical assistance to the Government of the Iraqi Republic in respect of the equipment and installations that may be delivered on the basis of the understanding that may be mutually reached.