

No. 7671

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
IRAN**

**Agricultural Commodities Agreement under Title I of the
Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act,
as amended (with exchange of notes dated 18 Novem-
ber 1963 and 11 June 1964). Signed at Tehran, on
17 November 1963**

Official text of Agreement: English.

Official texts of the notes: English and Persian.

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
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**Accord relatif aux produits agricoles, conclu dans le cadre
du titre I de la loi tendant à développer et à favoriser
le commerce agricole, telle qu'elle a été modifiée (avec
échange de notes en date des 18 novembre 1963 et
11 juin 1964). Signé à Téhéran, le 17 novembre 1963**

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No. 7671. AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA AND THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT OF
IRAN UNDER TITLE I OF THE AGRICULTURAL TRADE
DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE ACT, AS AMENDED.
SIGNED AT TEHRAN, ON 17 NOVEMBER 1963

The Government of the United States of America and the Imperial Government of Iran :

Recognizing the desirability of expanding trade in agricultural commodities between their two countries and with other friendly nations in a manner which would not displace usual marketings of the United States of America in these commodities or unduly disrupt world prices of agricultural commodities or normal patterns of commercial trade with friendly countries ;

Considering that the purchase for Iranian rials of surplus agricultural commodities produced in the United States will assist in achieving such an expansion of trade ;

Considering that the Iranian rials accruing from such purchase will be utilized in a manner beneficial to both countries ;

Desiring to set forth the understandings which will govern the sales, as specified below, of agricultural commodities to Iran pursuant to Title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Act) and the measures which the two Governments will take individually and collectively in furthering the expansion of trade in such commodities ;

Have agreed as follows :

Article I

SALES FOR IRANIAN RIALS

1. Subject to issuance by the Government of the United States of America and acceptance by the Imperial Government of Iran of purchase authorizations and to the availability of commodities under the Act at the time of exportation, the Government of the United States of America undertakes to finance the sales for Iranian rials, to purchasers authorized by the Imperial Government of Iran, of the following agricultural commodities in the amounts indicated :

¹ Came into force on 17 November 1963, upon signature, in accordance with article VI.

<i>Commodity</i>	<i>Export Market Value (millions)</i>
Wheat and/or wheat flour in grain equivalent	\$5.0
Ocean transportation (estimated)	1.2
TOTAL	\$6.2

2. Applications for purchase authorizations will be made within 90 days after the effective date of this Agreement, except that applications for purchase authorizations for any additional commodities or amounts of commodities provided for in any amendment to this Agreement will be made within 90 days after the effective date of such amendment. Purchase authorizations will include provisions relating to the sale and delivery of commodities, the time and circumstances of deposit of Iranian rials accruing from such sale, and other relevant matters.

3. The financing, sale and delivery of commodities under this Agreement may be terminated by either Government if that Government determines that because of changed conditions the continuation of such financing, sale or delivery is unnecessary or undesirable.

Article II

USES OF IRANIAN RIALS

The Iranian rials accruing to the Government of the United States of America as a consequence of sales made pursuant to this Agreement will be used by the Government of the United States of America, in such manner and order of priority as the Government of the United States of America shall determine, for the following purposes, in the amounts shown :

A. For United States expenditures under sub-sections (a), (b), (d), (f) and (h) through (s) of Section 104 of the Act, or under any of such sub-sections, 30 percent of the Iranian rials accruing pursuant to this Agreement.

B. For loans to be made by the Agency for International Development of Washington (hereinafter referred to as AID) under Section 104 (e) of the Act and for administrative expenses of Aid in Iran incident thereto, 5 percent of the Iranian rials accruing pursuant to this Agreement. It is understood that :

- (1) Such loans under Section 104 (e) of the Act will be made to United States business firms and branches, subsidiaries, or affiliates of such firms in Iran for business development and trade expansion in Iran and to United States firms and Iranian firms for the establishment of facilities for aiding in the utilization, distribution, or otherwise increasing the consumption of and markets for United States agricultural products.
- (2) Loans will be mutually agreeable to AID and the Imperial Government of Iran, acting through the Bank Markazi Iran. The Governor of the Bank Markazi,

- or his designate, will act for the Government of Iran, and the Administrator of AID, or his designate, will act for AID.
- (3) Upon receipt of an application which AID is prepared to consider, AID will inform the Bank Markazi of the identity of the applicant, the nature of the proposed business, the amount of the proposed loan, and the general purposes for which the loan proceeds would be expended.
 - (4) When AID is prepared to act favorably upon an application, it will so notify the Bank Markazi and will indicate the interest rate and the repayment period which would be used under the proposed loan. The interest rate will be similar to that prevailing in Iran on comparable loans, and the maturities will be consistent with the purposes of the financing.
 - (5) Within sixty days after the receipt of the notice that AID is prepared to act favorably upon an application, the Bank Markazi will indicate to AID whether or not the Bank Markazi has any objection to the proposed loan. Unless within the sixty-day period AID has received such a communication from the Bank Markazi, it shall be understood that the Bank Markazi has no objection to the proposed loan. When AID approves or declines the proposed loan, it will notify the Bank Markazi.
 - (6) In the event the Iranian rials set aside for loans under Section 104 (e) of the Act are not advanced within three years from the date of this Agreement because AID has not approved loans or because proposed loans have not been mutually agreeable to AID and the Bank Markazi, the Government of the United States of America may use the Iranian rials for any purpose authorized by Section 104 of the Act.

C. For loans to the Imperial Government of Iran under Section 104 (g) of the Act for financing such projects to promote economic development and land reform, including projects not heretofore included in plans of the Imperial Government of Iran, as may be mutually agreed, 65 percent of the Iranian rials accruing pursuant to this Agreement. The terms and conditions of the loans and other provisions will be set forth in a separate loan agreement. In the event that agreement is not reached on the use of the Iranian rials for loan purposes within three years from the date of this Agreement, the Government of the United States of America may use the rials for any purpose authorized by Section 104 of the Act.

Article III

DEPOSIT OF IRANIAN RIALS

1. The amount of Iranian rials to be deposited to the account of the Government of the United States of America shall be the equivalent of the dollar sales value of the commodities and ocean transportation costs reimbursed or financed by the Government of the United States of America (except excess costs resulting from the

requirement that United States flag vessels be used) converted into Iranian rials as follows :

- (a) at the rate for dollar exchange applicable to commercial import transactions on the dates of dollar disbursements by the United States, provided that a unitary exchange rate applying to all foreign exchange transactions is maintained by the Imperial Government of Iran, or
- (b) if more than one legal rate for foreign exchange transactions exist, at a rate of exchange to be mutually agreed upon from time to time between the Government of the United States of America and the Imperial Government of Iran.

2. In the event that any subsequent Agricultural Commodities Agreement or Agreements should be signed by the two Governments under the Act, any refunds of Iranian rials which may be due or become due under this Agreement more than two years from the effective date of this Agreement would be made by the Government of the United States of America from funds available from the most recent Agricultural Commodities Agreement in effect at the time of the refund.

Article IV

GENERAL UNDERTAKINGS

1. The Imperial Government of Iran will take all possible measures to prevent the resale or transshipment to other countries or the use for other than domestic purposes of the agricultural commodities purchased pursuant to this Agreement (except where such resale, transshipment or use is specifically approved by the Government of the United States of America) ; to prevent the export of any commodity of either domestic or foreign origin which is the same as, or like, the commodities purchased pursuant to this Agreement during the period beginning on the date of this Agreement and ending with the final date on which such commodities are received and utilized (except where such export is specifically approved by the Government of the United States of America) ; and to ensure that the purchase of commodities pursuant to this Agreement does not result in increased availability of the same or like commodities to nations unfriendly to the United States of America.

2. The two Governments will take reasonable precautions to assure that all sales or purchases of agricultural commodities pursuant to this Agreement will not displace usual marketings of the United States of America in these commodities or unduly disrupt world prices of agricultural commodities or normal patterns of commercial trade with friendly countries.

3. In carrying out this Agreement, the two Governments will seek to assure conditions of commerce permitting private traders to function effectively and will use their best endeavors to develop and expand continuous market demand for agricultural commodities.