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Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 March 1957. Stockholm, 14 May 1956

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 March 1958. Stockholm, 6 September 1957

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 30 June 1958. Stockholm, 15 April 1958

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 March 1959. Stockholm, 4 July 1958

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 March 1960. Stockholm, 29 April 1959

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 March 1961. Stockholm, 3 June 1960

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 March 1962. Stockholm, 9 September 1961

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 March 1963. Stockholm, 31 March 1962

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the operation of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1 June 1951 in the period ending 31 December 1964. Helsinki, 14 July 1964

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No. 8140. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING A TRADE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF FINLAND. STOCKHOLM, 1 JUNE 1951

I

From the Irish Minister at Stockholm to the Finnish Minister at Stockholm

Stockholm, 1st June, 1951

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the discussions which have taken place concerning trade relations between Ireland and Finland and to confirm that in the course of these discussions agreement was reached on the following points :

1. The Governments of Ireland and of Finland, in the spirit of friendship and goodwill which characterises relations between the two countries, desire to develop the mutual interchange of goods and services and to foster in particular the exchange of commodities of importance to their respective economies.

2. With this object in view the Irish Government undertake to afford all reasonable facilities for the admission to Ireland of products of Finnish origin and will more especially consider favourably applications for the admission of goods to the export of which the Finnish Government attach particular importance.

3. The Finnish Government undertake to afford all reasonable facilities for the admission to Finland of products of Irish origin and will more especially consider favourably applications for the admission of goods to the export of which the Irish Government attach particular importance.

4. In order to facilitate the operation of this Agreement the two Governments have exchanged information regarding the products referred to in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 and will keep each other informed of any additional items which they may desire to include in trade between their two countries.

5. The Irish Government in the interests of developing a higher level of trade between the two countries undertake to extend to Finland the benefits of trade liberalisation measures taken by Ireland within the framework of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.²

6. The merchant shipping of both countries will be equally eligible for the transport of goods between the two countries.

¹ Came into force on 1 June 1951 by the exchange of the said notes.

² United States of America : *Department of State publication* 3145.

7. Payments in respect of trade and invisible transactions between Ireland and Finland shall be effected in the same manner as payments between Finland and other members of the sterling area.

8. Both Governments have taken note of each other's desire that, with a view to the further development of direct commercial relations between the two countries, Irish and Finnish firms should, as far as possible, conduct their business with Finland and Ireland respectively through agents domiciled in either of the contracting countries.

9. It is understood that either Government may, at any time, seek consultation with the other Government regarding the principles and arrangements set out above which shall govern the trade relations between the two countries until such time as either Government have indicated their wish to have them, or any of them, modified.

I should be grateful if Your Excellency would be so good as to inform me whether the Finnish Government accept the foregoing statement of the results of the discussions, in which case I would suggest that this Note and Your Excellency's reply thereto be regarded as constituting an Agreement between our two Governments on the points covered.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

B. GALLAGHER
Minister of Ireland

II

From the Finnish Minister at Stockholm to the Irish Minister at Stockholm

FINNISH LEGATION

Stockholm, 1st June, 1951

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of to-day's date in which you inform me that in the course of the discussions which have taken place concerning trade relations between Finland and Ireland agreement was reached on the following points :

[See note I]

I have the honour to inform you that the Finnish Government accept the foregoing statement of the results of the discussions and agree that Your Excellency's Note and my present reply shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between our two Governments on the points covered.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

G. A. GRIPENBERG
Minister of Finland

EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
 BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND AND THE
 GOVERNMENT OF FINLAND CONCERNING THE OP-
 ERATION OF THE TRADE AGREEMENT OF 1 JUNE
 1951² DURING THE FIFTEEN MONTHS ENDING
 31 MARCH 1954. STOCKHOLM, 3 SEPTEMBER 1953

I

From the Irish Minister at Stockholm to the Finnish Minister at Stockholm

3rd September, 1953

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the discussions which have taken place concerning the operation of the Agreement between the Governments of Ireland and of Finland which was concluded by our Exchange of Notes of the 1st of June, 1951.² The Irish Government trusts that the conditions which have compelled the Finnish Government to subject Irish imports to a regime of strict control will have so improved in the near future as to permit Irish goods a freedom of access to the Finnish market comparable to that which Finnish goods enjoy under paragraphs 2 and 5 of the Agreement in the Irish market.

It is the understanding of the Irish Government that in the meantime the Finnish Government are prepared to provide all necessary facilities for the importation into Finland of the following goods of Irish origin to the total values during the fifteen months ending the 31st of March, 1954 set out hereafter :

	£
Gypsum and Plaster of Paris	10,000
Felt Base Floor Covering	42,000
Wool	p.m.
Woollen and Worsted Piece Goods	34,000
Cotton Piece Goods	10,000
Hand Knitting Yarn	15,000
Hat Hoods	10,000
Raincoats	10,000
Ropes and Cordage	4,000
Flax and Flax Tow	30,000
Eggs	p.m.
	<u>£165,000</u>

¹ Came into force on 3 September 1953 by the exchange of the said notes.

² See p. 122 of this volume.