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No. 8145. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING A TRADE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS. DUBLIN, 2 SEPTEMBER 1948

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From the Minister for External Affairs to the Chargé d'Affaires of the Netherlands

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

DUBLIN

2nd September, 1948

Sir,

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

(1) In the spirit of the Convention for European Economic Co-operation,² the Governments of Ireland and of the Netherlands desire to develop the interchange of goods and services between the two countries and to foster, in particular, the exchange of commodities of importance for their respective economies.

(2) The Irish Government recognises that, in the circumstances at present affecting payments between Ireland and the Netherlands monetary area, an opportunity arises for relaxing further the application of Exchange Control restrictions to current trade payments to the Netherlands, and the Irish Government will take all reasonable measures to ensure that applications for currency permits in relation to imports from the Netherlands will be dealt with expeditiously and in a sympathetic manner.

(3) The Netherlands Government undertakes to accord all reasonable facilities for the admission to the Netherlands, on a non-discriminatory basis, of products of Irish origin. It will in particular grant the necessary import and currency licences over and above the value of imports from Ireland of livestock, raw wool and foodstuffs to an aggregate value of £200,000 f.o.b. for 12 months as from 1st July, 1948. The Irish Government undertakes at the same time to accord all reasonable facilities for the admission to Ireland of products of Netherlands origin, with a view to maintaining, as far as possible, the volume of exports from the Netherlands to Ireland, over and above the value of exports from the Netherlands of superphosphates. It will be understood

¹ Came into force on 2 September 1948 by the exchange of the said notes.

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