

Treaty Series No. 51 (1966)

### Exchanges of Letters

between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Ireland

# relating to the Agreement Establishing a Free Trade Area between the two countries signed at London on 14 December 1965

Dublin, 29 June and 14 July 1966

[The Agreement constituted by the Exchanges of Letters entered into force on 1 July 1966]

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## EXCHANGE OF LETTERS EXTENDING THE AGREEMENT RELATING TO TRADE IN CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERY PRODUCTS(') TO THE CHANNEL ISLANDS AND THE ISLE OF MAN

#### No. 1

The British Ambassador at Dublin to the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries of the Republic of Ireland

British Embassy,

Dear Minister.

Dublin, 29 June, 1966.

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement relating to Trade in Certain Agricultural and Fishery Products signed on 14 December, 1965, between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Ireland and to propose that the said Agreement should be extended to the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Ireland, I have the honour to suggest that this Letter and your reply to that effect shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between our two Governments in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

GEOFROY TORY.

#### No. 2

The Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries of the Republic of Ireland to the British Ambassador at Dublin

Office of the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries.

Dear Ambassador,

Dublin, 29 June, 1966.

I have to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of today's date which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

In reply I have the honour to inform you that this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Ireland who therefore regard your Letter and this reply as constituting an Agreement between our two Governments in this matter.

Yours sincerely.

CHARLES J. HAUGHEY.

#### **EXCHANGE OF LETTERS** INTERPRETING PARAGRAPH (4) OF ARTICLE XXII OF THE AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A FREE TRADE AREA(2)

No. 3

The British Ambassador at Dublin to the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries of the Republic of Ireland

British Embassy,

Dear Minister.

Dublin, 29 June, 1966.

I have the honour to refer to paragraph (4) of Article XXII of the Agreement signed on 14 December, 1965, between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Ireland establishing a Free Trade Area between their two countries. It is my understanding that that paragraph should be interpreted as not affecting the existing releases by your Government of my Government's obligation to maintain margins of preference on blue veined cheese and canned cream when imported from the Republic of Ireland into the United Kingdom and that those releases continue in operation from the coming into force of the said Agreement.

If the above interpretation of the said paragraph (4) of Article XXII is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Ireland and if you confirm that the releases continue in operation from the coming into force of the said Agreement,(3) I have the honour to suggest that this Letter and your reply to that effect shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between our two Governments in this matter.

> Yours sincerely, GEOFROY TORY.

No. 4

The Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries of the Republic of Ireland to the British Ambassador at Dublin

Office of the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries,

Dear Ambassador,

Dublin, 14 July, 1966.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Letter dated 29 June. 1966, which reads as follows:

[As in No. 3]

In reply I have the honour to inform you that the interpretation set out in your Letter is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Ireland

<sup>(2) &</sup>quot;Treaty Series No. 31 (1966)", Cmnd. 3026.
(3) The Agreement entered into force on 1 July, 1966.

who confirm that the releases referred to continue in operation from the coming into operation of the Free Trade Area Agreement of 14 December, 1965, and, therefore, regard your Letter and this reply as constituting an Agreement between our two Governments in this matter.

Yours sincerely, CHARLES J. HAUGHEY.

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