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Exchange 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, 15 October 1968

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GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND RELATING TO
PARAGRAPH (3) (a) (i) OF ARTICLE IV OF THE AGREEMENT
ESTABLISHING A FREE TRADE AREA BETWEEN THE TWO
COUNTRIES SIGNED AT LONDON ON 14 DECEMBER 1965**

No. 1

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Dublin to the Minister for External Affairs
of the Republic of Ireland*

British Embassy,

Dublin, 15 October, 1968.

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom, as preparation for implementation of the provisions of Article IV (3) (a) (i) of the Agreement, signed on 14 December, 1965⁽¹⁾ between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Ireland establishing a Free Trade Area between the two countries, suggest that Annex C to that Agreement should be amended so as to enable certain wines originating in the Republic of Ireland to be distinguished from such wines originating elsewhere.

Accordingly, it is proposed that Part III of Annex C to the Agreement should be amended as follows:—

(1) by the addition to SCHEDULE 1 of the following:—

“ 22.06 Vermouths and other wines of fresh grapes flavoured with aromatic extracts

22.07(B) Other fermented beverages (for example, cider, perry, mead):—Wine”

(2) by the addition to SCHEDULE 3 of the following:—

“ 22.05 Wine of fresh grapes (including grape must with fermentation arrested by the addition of alcohol)”

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 the two Governments in this matter.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

A. G. GILCHRIST.

(1) “Treaty Series No. 31 (1966)”, Cmnd. 3026.

*The Minister for External Affairs of the Republic of Ireland to
Her Majesty's Ambassador at Dublin*

Office of the Minister for External Affairs,

Excellency,

Dublin, 15 October, 1968.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of to-day's date which reads as follows—

“I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom, as preparation for implementation of the provisions of Article IV (3) (a) (i) 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 the two countries, suggest that Annex C to that Agreement should be amended so as to enable certain wines originating in the Republic of Ireland to be distinguished from such wines originating elsewhere.

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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 the two Governments in this matter.”

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 the two Governments in this matter.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

PROINSIAS MACAOGÁIN.

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