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Échange de notes entre le Canada et Cuba constituant un accord concernant une opération par le Gouvernement du Canada d'achat en vrac de sucre brut cubain. Torquay, 31 mars 1951

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[ENGLISH TEXT - TEXTE ANGLAIS]

I

To GATT

Princes Hotel
Torquay, England,
March 31, 1951

Dear Sir,

The Canadian Delegation having signified its acceptance of the compensation offered by Cuba for four items withdrawn under Article XXVIII as per attached list, and Cuba having undertaken to revalidate until January 1, 1954, Schedule IX of tariff concessions granted to Canada at Geneva, I am authorized to transmit to you the following statement of undertaking in respect of the purchase of raw sugar:

The Government of Canada will ensure the purchase in the market by Canadian refineries or otherwise, of 75,000 short tons of Cuban raw sugar, within each of the calendar years 1951, 1952, and 1953 out of supplies made available by Cuba to the world market.

The sugar purchased under this undertaking to be shipped from Cuban ports, imported into and not to be re-exported from Canada.

Yours faithfully

deputy-Chairman, Canadian Delegation

Dr. A. Vargas Gomez
Acting Leader
Cuban Delegation
Princes Hotel
Torquay

Results of negotiations under Article XXVIII
for the withdrawal or modification of items
in Schedule IX originally negotiated with Canada

CHANGES IN SCHEDULE IX

A. CONCESSIONS TO BE WITHDRAWN

Tariff Item Number	Description of Products	Present Rates of Duty bound in Existing Schedules
193-G	Patent leather, in whole hide or sheets	\$0.45 per Kg.

B. CONCESSIONS TO BE MODIFIED

Tariff Item Number	Description of Products	Present Rates bound in Existing Schedules	Proposed (Higher) Rates to be bound in Torquay Schedules
276-D	Whiskey in bottles, flasks, demi-johns and other similar containers.	\$0.29 Liter	\$0.90 Liter
ex 223	Telephones, electric apparatus and machinery of all kinds, including loose parts and accessories for the same, not specifically classified, including batteries and storage batteries (of this item only the products described in 302-D have been exed out, when made of plastics)	15% ad val.	
302-D	Switches, sockets, wall plates, bell buttons, and other manufactures for electrical use in which plastics constitute the component material of chief value.		\$1.87 per Kg.
ex 313	Games, toys and other articles of amusement or diversion, not specifically classified. (of this item only the products described in 302-E have been exed out, when made of plastics)	18.75% ad val.	
302-E	Games, toys and other articles of amusement or diversion, including articles for commercial advertising, plain or printed in any form, not specifically classified.		\$1.40 per Kg.

C. NEW CONCESSIONS ON ITEMS IN THE EXISTING SCHEDULES

Tariff Item Number	Description of Products	Present Rates bound in Existing Schedules	Proposed (lower) Rates to be bound in Tor- quay Schedules
247-A	Codfish and stockfish	\$4.125 per 100 Kgs	\$4.00 per 100 Kgs.

II

Acuerdo General Sobre
Aranceles y Comercio

DELEGACION DE CUBA

Torquay

March 31, 1951.

Mr. President;

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 31, 1951, which states the following:

[See note I]

In reply to the above, I take pleasure in informing you that my Government is agreeable and accepts these undertakings.

I avail myself of this opportunity, Mr. President, to renew the assurances of my highest consideration.

Very sincerely yours,

ANDRES VARGAS GOMEZ
Acting President
Delegation of Cuba

Mr. H.B. McKinnon
President
Delegation of Canada to
the GATT Conference
Torquay.