

## MOST-FAVORED-NATION TREATMENT IN CUSTOMS MATTERS

*Exchange of notes at Washington March 2, 1925*

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*Modified by agreement of July 10 and 16, 1951<sup>1</sup>*

Treaty Series 722

*The Secretary of State to the Estonian Minister*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

*Washington, March 2, 1925*

SIR:

I have the honor to make the following statement of my understanding of the agreement reached through recent conversations held at Washington on behalf of the Government of the United States and the Government of the Republic of Esthonia with reference to the treatment which the United States shall accord to the commerce of Esthonia and which Esthonia shall accord to the commerce of the United States.

These conversations have disclosed a mutual understanding between the two Governments which is that, in respect to import, export and other duties and charges affecting commerce, as well as in respect to transit, warehousing and other facilities and the treatment of commercial travelers' samples, the United States will accord to Esthonia and Esthonia will accord to the United States, its territories and possessions, unconditional most-favored-nation treatment; and that in the matter of licensing or prohibitions of imports or exports, the United States and Esthonia, respectively, so far as they at any time maintain such a system, will accord to the commerce of the other treatment as favorable, with respect to commodities, valuations and quantities, as may be accorded to the commerce of any other country.

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<sup>1</sup> In reply to a note of July 10, 1951, from the Secretary of State relative to "the various controls which the Government of the United States believes it is necessary or desirable to apply to trade between the United States and various areas under Soviet domination or control," the Acting Consul General of Estonia at New York, in a note dated July 16, 1951, said that he would have "no objection to the application to that trade [between the United States and Estonia] of such controls as the Government of the United States may consider appropriate."