

MOST-FAVORED-NATION TREATMENT FOR AREAS UNDER OCCUPATION OR CONTROL

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The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

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EXCELLENCY,

I have the honor to refer to the conversations which have recently taken place between representatives of our two Governments relating to the territorial application of commercial arrangements between the United States of America and the French Republic and to confirm the understanding reached as a result of these conversations as follows:

1. For such time as either the Government of the United States of America or the Government of the French Republic participates in the occupation of any areas in Western Germany or the Free Territory of Trieste, the other Government will apply to the merchandise trade of such area the provisions of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, dated October 30, 1947,¹ as now or hereafter amended, relating to most-favored-nation treatment.

2. The undertaking in point 1, above, will apply on the part of the Government of the United States of America or the Government of the French Republic to the merchandise trade of any area referred to therein only for such time and to such extent as such area accords reciprocal most-favored-nation treatment to the merchandise trade of the United States of America or the French Republic, respectively.

3. The undertakings in points 1 and 2, above, are entered into in the light of the absence at the present time of effective or significant tariff barriers to imports into the areas herein concerned. In the event that such tariff barriers are imposed, it is understood that such undertakings shall be without

¹ TIAS 1700, *ante*, vol. 4, p. 641.