

SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS

Exchange of notes at Washington November 10 and 26, 1845

Entered into force November 26, 1845

*Terminated upon fulfillment of its terms*¹

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The British Minister to the Secretary of State

WASHINGTON 10 November 1845

SIR, With reference to what I have already had the honor verbally to communicate to you on the subject of a mutual settlement of certain claims which have been for some time pending between the two Governments with the particulars of which you are already fully acquainted—I now beg leave to place in your hands the enclosed Memorandum explaining the considerations which have induced Her Majesty's Government to suggest the proposed arrangement.

I venture to hope that the views of Her Majesty's Government upon this matter will meet with the cordial concurrence of the Government of the United States.

I take advantage of this opportunity, to renew to you, Sir, the assurance of my high consideration.

R. PAKENHAM

The Hon^{ble} JAMES BUCHANAN

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[ENCLOSURE—MEMORANDUM]

Her Majesty's Government have for some time past had under their anxious consideration the claim of certain British Merchants carrying on trade with the United States for a return of the excess of duties levied on goods imported by them into the United States under the Tariff of 1842,² which claim was first brought to the notice of the United States Government by Mr Fox's note of 8, January 1844.

¹ Payment of claims authorized by act of May 8, 1846 (9 Stat. 6).

² 5 Stat. 548.