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His Majesty in respect of the Dominion of Canada

AND THE

President of the Czechoslovak Republic

Ottawa, March 15, 1928

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HIS Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, in respect of the Dominion of Canada, and the President of the Czechoslovak Republic, being desirous of improving and extending the commercial relations between Canada and Czechoslovakia, have resolved to conclude a Convention with that object and have named as their respective plenipotentiaries, that is to say:

His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, in respect of the Dominion of Canada:

- The Honourable James Alexander Robb, a Member of His Majesty's Honourable Privy Council for Canada, a Member of the Parliament of Canada, Minister of Finance and Receiver-General of Canada;
- The Honourable James Malcolm, a Member of His Majesty's Honourable Privy Council for Canada, a Member of the Parliament of Canada, Minister of Trade and Commerce of Canada;

And the President of the Czechoslovak Republic :

Monsieur Frantisek Kveton, Consul of the Czechoslovak Republic, in Montreal;

Who, after communicating to each other their respective full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following articles :---

ARTICLE 1.

Articles the produce or manufacture of Canada imported into Czechoslovakia and articles the produce or manufacture of Czechoslovakia imported into Canada shall not be subjected to other or higher duties or charges than those paid on the like articles the produce or manufacture of any other foreign country. No prohibition or restriction shall be maintained or imposed on the importation of any article the produce or manufacture of Canada, into Czechoslovakia or of any article the produce or manufacture of Czechoslovakia into Canada which shall not equally extend to the importation of like articles being the produce or manufacture of any other foreign country. This provision is not applicable to articles which constitute a State monopoly nor to the sanitary and other prohibitions occasioned by the necessity of protecting the safety of the State, of persons or of animals or plants.

ARTICLE 2.

Articles the produce or manufacture of Canada exported to Czechoslovakia and articles the produce or manufacture of Czechoslovakia exported to Canada shall not be subjected to other or higher duties or charges than those paid on the like articles exported to any other foreign country. Nor shall any prohibition or restriction be imposed on the exportation of any article from Canada to Czechoslovakia or from Czechoslovakia to Canada which shall not equally extend to the exportation of the like articles to any other foreign country.

ARTICLE 9.

Articles the produce or manufacture of Canada passing in transit through Czechoslovakia and articles the produce or manufacture of Czechoslovakia passing in transit through Canada shall be reciprocally free from all transit duties whether they pass through direct or whether during transit they are unloaded, warehoused or reloaded.

ARTICLE 4.

It is understood that in all matters governing the import, export and transit of merchandise Czechoslovakia grants to Canada and Canada grants to Czechoslovakia the treatment of the most favoured nation.

ARTICLE 5.

To enjoy the benefit of the tariff advantages provided for in the foregoing articles, without prejudice to the stipulations of Article 4, goods the produce or manufacture of Czechoslovakia shall be conveyed without transhipment from a port of Czechoslovakia, such being understood to be a port of a foreign country in which Czechoslovakia has defined rights under treaties to which Canada is a party, or from a port of a country enjoying the benefit of the Preferential or Intermediate Tariff, into a sea or river port of Canada.

ARTICLE 6.

The present Convention, after being approved by the Parliament of Canada and by the competent authority on the part of Czechoslovakia, shall be ratified and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Ottawa as soon as possible. It shall come into force fifteen days

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after the exchange of ratifications and shall be binding upon the Contracting Parties during four years from the date of its coming into force. In case neither of the Contracting Parties shall have given notice to the other twelve months before the expiration of the said period of four years of its intention to terminate the present Convention it shall remain in force until the expiration of one year from the date on which either of the Contracting Parties shall have given to the other notice of its intention to terminate it.

It witness whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed this Convention and have affixed thereto their seals.

Done in duplicate at Ottawa, this fifteenth day of March, in the year 1928.

(Seal)	JAMES A. ROBB.
(Seal)	JAMES MALCOLM.
(Seal)	F. KVETON.