

THE FIRST UNOFFICIAL SINO-JAPANESE TRADE AGREEMENT, SIGNED IN PEKING, JUNE 1, 1952 In Order to develop trade between the people of China and Japan, after conferring together on the basis of equality and reciprocity, we have agreed to the following.

Article 1. The amount of Imports and exports of both parties shall be set at 30 million pounds sterling.

Article 2. By agreement of "both parties goods will be exchanged in the same class. The classification of exports from each country will be in accordance with a separate schedule. The percentage of each category shall be as follows:'

..... Exports from China:

Class A — 40% of the total

Class B — 30% of the total

Class C — 30% of the total

Exports from Japan:

Class A — 40% of the total

Class B — 30% of the total

Class C — 30% of the total

Article 3. Trade shall be transacted by both parties on the barter basis. Export accounts will be kept in pounds sterling.

Article 4. In order to promote the concrete Implementation of the agreement, a representative will be sent from Japan to confer with a representative of China about the quantities of goods to be exported and Imported, standards, prices, dates and places of business, etc. The Japanese representative must be a formal representative of private commercial and industrial circles and he will confer only about trade.

Article 5*¹ The two parties will confer again about transportation and methods of payment when concrete trade contracts are concluded.

Article 6. Should a dispute arise in fulfilling a contract, an arbitration committee made up of the two parties shall be set up. This arbitration shall be carried out in China.

Article 7* This agreement shall continue in effect until December 31, 1952. It is agreed that if the amount of this agreement is not attained within the above period, the period may be extended by agreement of both parties.

Article 8. Two copies of this agreement are drawn up in the Chinese and Japanese languages; the texts in both languages shall have the same force and effect.

Appendix: Detailed Schedule of the Classification of Commodities

Exports from China

Class A: Coal, iron-ore, manganese, soya beans, hog bristles

Class B: Salt, peanuts, sesame, beans, paulownia oil, magnesite, fluorspar, fire clay, apatite, asbestos, raw cotton, wool, feathers, kaolin, bauxite

Class C: Cotton waste, cotton seed cake, raw lacquer, castor beans, gall-nuts, resin, liquorice, pigskin, steatite, graphite, gypsum, rhubarb

Exports from Japan

Class A: Steel, rolled steel, steel pipe, steel materials for construction, steel materials for railways, tin plates, iron sheets for drum cans, aluminium Ingots, steel tubes, thin steel sheets, galvanized steel sheets.

Class B: Textile machines and parts, steamships (refrigerator ships), light motor-bicycles, carbonic acid, borax, high-speed printing-ink, cranes, radio equipment, trucks, electrical equipment, sulphanilamide, sulphaguenadine, sulphathiazol.

Class C: Agricultural machinery, bicycles, automobile parts, type-writers, calculating machines, microscopes, surveying instruments, bearings, ultra-short wave medical equipment, soda ash, ammonium sulphate, superphosphate, calcium cyanamide, rayon yarn, cotton cloth, cotton yarn, dyestuff, photography equipment, sea tangle, paper, microphones, recording-machines.