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Preliminary list of items of import into Syria and Lebanon in which India is interested and upon which request for tariff concessions will be based. (Addition to or deletion from this list may be made at a later stage.)

Syrian Tariff Item No.	Description.	Rate of import duty in Syria as in February, 1933	Reduced rate of duty.
76	Tea	Normal T.3,200 S.P. per 100 Kilos (Max. T.6,400 S.P. per 100 Kilos).	1,600 S.P. per 100 Kilos.
184	Fabrics of pure cotton, unbleached in the piece: (b) Other	Normal T.40% ad val (Max. T 80% ad val)	20% ad val

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TRADE & EMPLOYMENT, 1947

(no. 2)
Preliminary List of items of Import into Lebanon-Syria in which India
is interested and upon which Request for Tariff Concessions will be
based

<u>Syrian Tariff Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Rate of Import Duty in Lebanon-Syria.</u>	<u>Reduced Rate of Duty Proposed</u>
292	Prepared medicines and pharmaceuticals	11% ad val.	5% ad val.
308	Prepared colours of all kinds	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
310	Varnishes of all kinds	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
358	Parts of shoes in leather (soles, heels, straps, etc. and other similar articles either entire or cut into pieces)	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
359	Saddlery, harness and leggings	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
360	Handbags, Travelling bags, etc. of leather	40% ad val.	20% ad val.
362	Skin gloves	40% ad val.	20% ad val.
364	Any other made-up articles of leather or skin, not separately mentioned.	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
375	Rubber tyres and tubes for vehicles.	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
526	Cotton yarn made up for retail sale	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
583	Bonneterie of cotton or other textile materials		
	A.I. Bonneterie of Cotton	40% ad val.	20% ad val.
	II. Gloves of pure cotton	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
	III. Socks and Stockings of pure cotton	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
	Other admitted articles of cotton	50% ad val.	25% ad val.
584	Garments for men, not mentioned or comprised elsewhere		
	d. in tissues of cotton	40% ad val.	20% ad val.
585	Garments for women, not mentioned or comprised elsewhere		
	d. in tissues of cotton	40% ad val.	20% ad val.

<u>Syrian Tariff Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Rate of Import Duty in Lebanon-Syria</u>	<u>Reduced Rate of Duty Proposed</u>
589	Table Cloth, bed cloth and towels, etc.		
	d. in tissues of cotton	40% ad val.	20% ad val.
600	Common boots of ox or cow hide etc.	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
601	Slippers and home shoes	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
602	Other leather shoes with soles of leather or rubber	25% ad val.	11% ad val.
979	Articles for Sport	25% ad val.	11% ad val.

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LIST OF REQUESTS BY THE LEBANO-SYRIAN CUSTOMS
UNION FROM INDIA

Indian Tarrif Item N ^o	Description	Unit	Standard rate	Preferential Rate	Lebano- Syrian Request
10	Barley	Ad.Val.	Free	--	Binding
8	Fruits, dried, reserved) " "	36%	24%	20%
8	Fruits, fresh: Citrus fruits	" "	36%	24%	20%
8	Fruits: Pistachio nuts	CWT	130 RS	--	80 RS
15(6)	Olive oil	Ad.Val.	42%	30%	20%
21(1)	Olive oil in small packing	" "	30%	--	15%
17(2)	Confectionery	" "	60%	--	30%

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MEMORANDUM

I forward herewith one copy, Number 19 of each of Addenda XI and XII to list of offers by India in respect of requests for Tariff Concessions submitted by Lebanon - Syria and U.S.A. respectively with whom we are opening negotiations to-day. It will no doubt be appreciated that this document is transmitted for your own information and is not to be copied, quoted from or otherwise circulated or made known to any other member in any way whatsoever.

These may kindly be attached to the List of Offers and Addenda to it supplied to you on the ~~20th April, 1st, 7th, 16th, 19th, 21st, 27th and 28th May 1947.~~



(B.N. Banerji)

Member - Secretary.

Geneva,
Dated the 14th August 1947.

J. A. Lacarte, Esq.,
Deputy Executive Secretary,
U.N. Secretariat,
Room 220,
Palais des Nations.

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Addendum XI -
to List of Offers by India

		<u>Standard rate of duty</u>	
		<u>Existing</u>	<u>Offered</u>
8.	Fruits, all sorts, fresh, dried salted or preserved, not otherwise specified.		
	Ex. Citrus fruits, fresh	36% ad val	30% ad val
	Pistachio nuts	do	do
10.	Grain and pulse, not otherwise specified, including broken grains and pulse, but excluding flour.		
	Ex. Barley	Free	Binding
15(6)	Vegetable Non-essential oils not otherwise specified		
	Ex. Olive oil imported in bulk	42% ad val	Binding

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Mr. Zisler

INDIAN DELEGATION TO THE SECOND SESSION OF THE PREPARATORY
COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND
EMPLOYMENT

Memorandum

It is brought to the notice of ~~your~~ Delegation ^{U.N. Secretariat} that Addendum XI to List of offers by India (Offers to Lebanon - Syria) forwarded to you on the 14th August, 1947, has since been withdrawn.


(B.N. BANERJI.)
Member - Secretary.

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Deputy Executive Secretary,
United Nations Secretariat,
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INDIAN DELEGATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE

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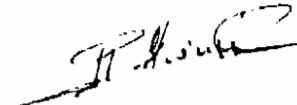
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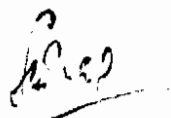
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19th June 1947.

The Negotiating Teams of Lebanon-Syria and India held their first meeting on Monday 16th June 1947. The Lebanon-Syria Negotiating Team handed over their reply to India's list of requests. A copy of it is attached for the private information of the Secretariat. Lebanon-Syria had no requests to make on India.


R. Siouffi,
Secretary, Lebanon-Syria
Negotiating Team.


S. M. Yusuf,
Secretary, Indian
Negotiating Team.

The Conference Secretariat,
Room No. 220,
Palais des Nations,
Geneva.

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LIBANO-SYRIENNE

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LISTE DES OFFRES DE L'UNION DOUANIÈRE
LIBANO-SYRIENNE EN REPONSE AUX DEMANDES
FORMULEES PAR L'INDE

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N° du tarif	Denomination	offres	Observations
64	Thé	25%	notre tarif actuel
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362	Gants de Peau	25%	" à la France
375 b)	Pneux et chambres à air pour autos ,motos et velos et autres engins de locomotion	15%	{ offre à U.S.A et à France
526	Fils de coton conditionnés pour la vente au détail	25%	" "A U.K.
527	Tissus de coton non façonnés	30%	Notre tarif act.
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LIBANO-SYRIENNE

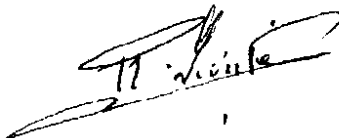
Elais des Nations le 16 juin 1947

Monsieur le Secrétaire Exécutif

J'ai l'honneur de vous faire transmettre ci-joint une copie de la liste de concessions présentée par l'Union Douanière Libano-Syrienne aux Indes, aujourd'hui le 16 juin 1947.

Veillez agréer Monsieur l'assurance de ma haute considération.

Le Secrétaire de
l'Union Douanière Libano-Syr.



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LIBANO-SYRIENNE

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1st September, 1947.

Moubarak,
Dear Mr. Jabbara,

This memorandum will confirm that after exploring all possible items, the Syro-Lebanese and the Indian Tariff Negotiating Teams came to the conclusion that there was no scope for any useful exchange of direct concessions between the two countries and agreed therefore that the negotiations should be concluded without any formal exchange of offers. They appreciated, however, that the indirect concessions that each country secured from their offers to other countries which would accrue to them by their generalisation under the most favoured nation treatment may be deemed to be adequate for the present.

2. In the circumstances explained, the offers made to you by India on the 8th August, 1947, in respect of citrus fruits, pistachio nuts, barley and olive oil may kindly be treated as withdrawn.

3. I should be obliged if you would kindly confirm the statements made above.

4. In conclusion, permit me to express our sincere appreciation of the very cordial manner in which these discussions were conducted by you and your team.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) B.N.BANERJI.

Member-Secretary.

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Room 119,
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Geneva.

Moussa Mobarak, Esq.,
Lebanese Delegation,
Room 204,
Palais des Nations,
Geneva.


UNION DEUVANIERE
LIBANO-SYRIENNE

Palais des Nations le 3 septembre

Monsieur le Secrétaire Exécutif de la Commission Préparatoire
de la Conférence du Commerce et de l'Emploi des N.U.

Veillez trouver ci-joint copie des deux lettres échangées
entre la Délégation des Indes et les Délégations du Liban et de
la Syrie, relatives aux conclusions de nos négociations tarifaires.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur, l'expression de ma haute con-
sideration.



Rafic Sioufi

INDIAN DELEGATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT
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(B.N.Banerji)
Member-Secretary.

Mr. Hassen Jabbara
Syrian Delegation

Mr Moussa Mobarak
Lebanese Delegation Palais des Nations Genève

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Génève, le 3 Septembre 1947

Cher Monsieur,

Nous avons l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre du 1er Septembre 1947, et de vous faire connaître que nous sommes en plein accord avec vous sur son contenu.

Nous communiquons copie de cette double correspondance au Secrétariat, pour information.

Nous sommes heureux également de saisir cette occasion pour vous renouveler notre entière satisfaction pour l'esprit de cordialité et de compréhension qui a régné entre nos deux délégations au cours de nos négociations, et formulons des vœux pour que le commerce se développe davantage à l'avenir entre l'Inde et nos deux pays: le Liban et la Syrie.

Veillez agréer, Cher Monsieur, les assurances de notre haute considération.

Le Président de la Délégation
Libanaise

Moussa Moharak

Le Président de la Délégation
Syrienne

Hassan Jabbara

Monsieur B.N. BANERJI
Member-Secretary
de la Délégation Indienne.
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à Monsieur le Secrétaire Exécutif de la Commission Préparatoire
de la Conférence du Commerce et de l'Emploi à Genève.

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