
CUSTOMS.

THE following Customs Agreements and Protocols are published for general information:—

A. (1) Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Union of South Africa and the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate, as amended by the Protocols of 1911 and 1913.

(2) Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Union of South Africa and the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

(3) Protocol of 1911 to the Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Union of South Africa and the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

(4) Protocol of 1913 to the Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Union of South Africa and the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

B. (1) Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Administrations of Southern and Northern Rhodesia and the territories of the Bechuanaland Protectorate, Basutoland, and Swaziland, as amended by the Protocol of 1911 and the two Protocols of 1913.

(2) Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Administrations of Southern and North-Western Rhodesia and the territories of the Bechuanaland Protectorate, Basutoland, and Swaziland.

(3) Protocol of 1911 to the Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Administrations of Southern and North-Western Rhodesia and the territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and Swaziland.

(4) Protocol (No. 1) of 1913 to the Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Administrations of Southern and North-Western Rhodesia and the territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and Swaziland.

(5) Protocol (No. 2) of 1913 of the Customs Agreement of 1910 between the Administrations of Southern and North-Western Rhodesia and the territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and Swaziland.

By Command of His Excellency the
High Commissioner.

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C. H. RODWELL,

Imperial Secretary.

Pretoria, 17th December, 1914.

A. (1).

CUSTOMS AGREEMENT.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—TERRITORIES OF BASUTOLAND, SWAZI-
LAND, AND THE BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, 1910.

(As amended by the Protocols of 1911 and 1913.)

Whereas it has been agreed to terminate from the 30th of June next the Customs Union Convention which at present exists between the Cape of Good Hope, the Orange River Colony, Natal, the Transvaal, and Southern Rhodesia, and which includes the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and North-Western Rhodesia, and the Protectorate of Bechuanaland;

And whereas it is desirable that an agreement should be entered into between the Government of the Union of South Africa (herein after referred to as the Union) and the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate (herein after referred to as the territories) under which

- (a) the territories shall maintain a tariff similar to that which exists in the Union of South Africa;
- (b) an equitable share of the duties collected on goods passing through the Union to the territories shall be paid over to them, and vice versa;
- (c) there should be a free interchange of South African products and manufactures between the Union and the territories;

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Union and His Excellency the High Commissioner for and on behalf of the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate have agreed on behalf of their respective Governments upon the following articles:—

ARTICLE I.

The Customs Union Tariff, as it at present exists, shall be maintained between the contracting parties until altered by legislation enacted by the Union or the territories.

Provided that that portion of the Union known as the Province of the Cape of Good Hope shall, notwithstanding anything contained herein, be entitled to levy the surtax now existing on spirits, imported from abroad and entered for consumption in that Province.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a free interchange of the products and manufactures of the Union and the territories with the exception of spirits and beer, the duties of Customs and Excise on which in the territories shall be the same as those for the time being in force in the Union.

ARTICLE III.

The adjustment of duties which shall include any Customs or Excise duty (except any Customs or Excise duty on Union manufactured spirits or Union manufactured beer) and any surtax between the parties to this Agreement shall no longer depend upon specific documents and consignments, but shall be determined on the basis laid down in section *twelve* of the Schedule to the South Africa Act, 1909, which for reference is herein quoted, provided that adjustments shall be made quarterly instead of annually.

"There shall be paid into the Treasury of the Union all duties of Customs levied on dutiable articles imported into and consumed in the territories, and there shall be paid out of the Treasury annually towards the cost of administration of each territory a sum in respect of such duties which shall bear to the total Customs revenue of the Union in respect of each financial year the same proportion as the average amount of the Customs revenue of such territory for the three completed financial years last preceding the taking effect of this Act bore to the average amount of the whole Customs revenue for all the colonies and territories included in the Union received during the same period."

ARTICLE IV.

The territories shall, as far as possible, conform to the laws and regulations for the time being in force within the Union

in respect to refunds, rebates, abatements, suspensions, methylation, prohibitions, removals in bond or otherwise, and interpretations of the tariff.

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ARTICLE V.

Nothing in this Agreement shall in any way prevent the importation free of duty into that portion of the Union known as the Transvaal Province for consumption therein of the products and manufactures of the Province of Mozambique as provided for in the Convention between the Government of the Transvaal and the Government of the Province of Mozambique, it being understood, however, that the Government of the Union will take the necessary steps to prevent the removal of any such goods to the territories unless due entry and payment of duty, if any, has been made.

ARTICLE VI.

This Agreement shall operate from the 1st July next, and the provisions thereof shall continue in force until the 30th June, 1911, and thereafter for periods of twelve months, provided that any party to this Agreement may give not less than three months' notice before the 30th of June of any year of its intention to retire therefrom as from the 30th of June following such notice, but provided further that should the Legislature of the Union at any time amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this Agreement, any of the territories shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith; and similarly should any of the territories amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this Agreement, the Union shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith.

A. (2).

CUSTOMS AGREEMENT.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA—TERRITORIES OF BASUTOLAND,
SWAZILAND, AND THE BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

1910.

Whereas it has been agreed to terminate from the 30th of June next the Customs Union Convention which at present exists between the Cape of Good Hope, the Orange River

Notice Colony, Natal, the Transvaal, and Southern Rhodesia, and
No. 127 which includes the Territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and
1914 North-Western Rhodesia, and the Protectorate of Bechuanaland;

And whereas it is desirable that an agreement should be entered into between the Government of the Union of South Africa (herein after referred to as the Union) and the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate (herein after referred to as the territories) under which

- (a) the territories shall maintain a tariff similar to that which exists in the Union of South Africa;
- (b) an equitable share of the duties collected on goods passing through the Union to the Territories shall be paid over to them, and vice versa;
- (c) there should be a free interchange of South African products and manufactures between the Union and the territories;

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Union and His Excellency the High Commissioner for and on behalf of the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate, have agreed on behalf of their respective Governments upon the following articles:—

ARTICLE I.

The Customs Union Tariff, as it at present exists, shall be maintained between the contracting parties until altered by legislation enacted by the Union or the territories.

Provided that that portion of the Union known as the Province of the Cape of Good Hope shall, notwithstanding anything contained herein, be entitled to levy the surtax now existing on spirits, patent medicines, and cigarettes imported from abroad and entered for consumption in that Province.

ARTICLE II.

1. There shall be a free interchange of the products and manufactures of the Union and the Territories with the exception of spirits and beer, the duties of Customs and Excise on which shall be subject to the following provisos:—

- (a) In the case of spirits distilled from the product of the vine the duty shall not exceed 9s. per proof gallon, with an allowance for underproof down to 7s. 6d. per gallon.
- (b) In the case of other spirits the duty shall be leviable at no lower rate than the above, and at no higher rate than that imposed on spirits imported from above.

(c) In the case of beer the duty shall be leviable at a rate Notice
not exceeding 4d. per gallon. No. 127

2. That portion of the Union known as the Province of the
Cape of Good Hope shall, notwithstanding anything contained
herein, be entitled to levy the special Excise duties or equi-
valent Customs duties on patent medicines and cigarettes
manufactured locally and intended for consumption in that
Province. 1914

ARTICLE III.

The adjustment of duties between the parties to this Agree-
ment shall no longer depend upon specific documents and
consignments, but shall be determined on the basis laid down
in section *twelve* of the Schedule to the South Africa Act,
1909, which for reference is herein quoted, provided that ad-
justments shall be made quarterly instead of annually.

*"There shall be paid into the Treasury of the Union
all duties of Customs levied on dutiable articles im-
ported into and consumed in the territories, and there
shall be paid out of the Treasury annually towards the
cost of administration of each territory a sum in re-
spect of such duties which shall bear to the total
Customs revenue of the Union in respect of each finan-
cial year the same proportion as the average amount
of the Customs revenue of such territory for the three
completed financial years last preceding the taking
effect of this Act bore to the average amount of the
whole Customs revenue for all the Colonies and Terri-
tories included in the Union received during the same
period."*

ARTICLE IV.

The territories shall, as far as possible, conform to the laws
and regulations for the time being in force within the Union
in respect to refunds, rebates, abatements, suspensions,
methylation, prohibitions, removal in bond or otherwise, and
interpretations of the tariff.

ARTICLE V.

Nothing in this Agreement shall in any way prevent the
importation free of duty into that portion of the Union known
as the Transvaal Province for consumption therein of the
products and manufactures of the Province of Mozambique
as provided for in the Convention between the Government of
the Transvaal and the Government of the Province of Mozam

Notice bique, it being understood, however, that the Government of
No. 127 the Union will take the necessary steps to prevent the removal
1914 of any such goods to the territories unless due entry and
payment of duty, if any, has been made.

ARTICLE VI.

This Agreement shall operate from the 1st July next, and the provisions thereof shall continue in force until the 30th June, 1911, and thereafter for periods of twelve months, provided that any party to this Agreement may give not less than three months' notice before the 30th of June of any year of its intention to retire therefrom as from the 30th of June following such notice, but provided further that should the Legislature of the Union at any time amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this Agreement, any of the territories shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith; and similarly should any of the territories amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this Agreement, the Union shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Potchefstroom this 29th day of June. One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

GLADSTONE,
Governor-General.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of Basutoland at Potchefstroom this 29th day of June, One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory of Swaziland at Potchefstroom this 29th day of June, One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Bechuana-land Protectorate at Potchefstroom this 29th day of June. One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

PROTOCOL.

TO THE CUSTOMS AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA AND THE TERRITORIES OF BASUTOLAND, SWAZILAND, AND THE BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, WHICH CAME INTO FORCE IN JULY, 1910.

WHEREAS in terms of Articles I and II of the Customs Agreement which at present exists between the Government of the Union of South Africa (herein after referred to as the Union) and the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate, that portion of the Union known as the Province of the Cape of Good Hope is entitled to levy a surtax on cigarettes imported from abroad and entered for consumption in that Province, and, further, to levy special Excise duties or equivalent Customs duties on cigarettes manufactured locally and intended for consumption in that Province;

And whereas it is enacted by the Cigarette Excise and Surtax Act, 1911 (No. 16 of 1911), of the Union Parliament, that a duty of excise be levied on cigarettes made in any portion of the Union and a corresponding surtax be levied on cigarettes imported for consumption in the Union on and after the first day of July, 1911.

Now therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Union and His Excellency the High Commissioner, for and on behalf of the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate, on behalf of their respective Governments, do hereby signify their joint assent to the following amendments to the aforesaid Agreement, namely, that:—

Article I. In the *proviso* the words "Patent medicines and cigarettes" shall be deleted.

Article II. Section *two* shall be deleted.

Article III. After the words "The adjustment of duties," shall be inserted the following words: "which shall include the excise duty and surtax on cigarettes."

Given under my Hand and Seal at Pretoria this Fifteenth day of June, One thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

GLADSTONE,
Governor-General.

SEAL.

Proc. Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of Basutoland
No. 127 at Pretoria this Twenty-eighth day of June, One thousand
1914 Nine hundred and Eleven.

SEAL.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory
of Swaziland at Pretoria this Twenty-eighth day of June, One
thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

SEAL.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Bechuana-
land Protectorate at Pretoria this Twenty-eighth day of June,
One thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

SEAL.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

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PROTOCOL.

TO THE CUSTOMS AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA AND THE
TERRITORIES OF BASUTOLAND, SWAZILAND, AND THE
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, WHICH CAME INTO FORCE
IN JULY, 1910.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Customs
Agreement (herein after referred to as "the said Agree-
ment") which at present exists between the Government of
the Union of South Africa and the territories of Basutoland,
Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate as amended
by Protocol of June, 1911, so as to provide (1) that the duties
of Customs and Excise on spirits and beer in the territories
shall be the same as those for the time being in force in the
Union, and (2) that the provision for the adjustment of duties
made in article *three* of the said Agreement shall apply in
respect of any Customs or Excise duty, except any Customs
or Excise duty on Union manufactured spirits or Union manu-
factured beer and in respect of any surtax;

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Union of South Africa, on behalf of the Government of the Union, and His Excellency the High Commissioner for South Africa, on behalf of the territories of Basutoland, Swaziland, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate, do hereby signify their joint assent to the following amendments of the said Agreement as amended by the said Protocol, namely, that:—

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(i) Article *two* of the said Agreement shall be amended by the deletion therefrom of the words "shall be subject to the following provisos" and of the provisos (a) (b) and (c) and the substitution for the deleted words of the words "in the territories shall be the same as those for the time being in force in the Union."

(ii) The amendment of article *three* of the said Agreement by the said Protocol of June, 1911, shall be deleted, and the said article *three* shall be amended by the insertion after the words "The adjustment of duties" of the words "which shall include any Customs or Excise duty (except any Customs or Excise duty on Union manufactured spirits or Union manufactured beer) and any surtax."

And it is hereby declared that the said amendments shall take effect as from the 21st day of May, 1913.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of the Union of South Africa at Pretoria this First day of September, One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

GLADSTONE,
Governor-General.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of Basutoland at Pretoria, this First day of September, One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the territory of Swaziland at Pretoria, this First day of September, One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Bechuanaland Protectorate at Pretoria, this First day of September, One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

CUSTOMS AGREEMENT.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA, NORTHERN RHODESIA,* THE BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, BASUTOLAND, AND SWAZILAND, 1910.

(As amended by the Protocol of 1911 and the two Protocols of 1913.)

WHEREAS the Customs Union between the Cape of Good Hope, the Orange River Colony, Natal, the Transvaal, and Southern Rhodesia, which included the territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, Swaziland, and North-Western Rhodesia, was terminated on the 30th June, 1910, by consent of the several parties thereto.

And whereas it is desirable that an agreement should be entered into between the territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and Swaziland (herein after referred to as the territory), and the Administrations of Southern and Northern Rhodesia (herein after referred to as the administrations) under which—

- (a) an equitable share of the duties collected by any of the contracting parties hereto on goods passing through its territory to the territory of any other of the said parties shall be paid over to the latter;
- (b) there shall be a free interchange of South African products and manufactures between the territories and the administrations with certain exceptions.

Now, therefore, His Excellency the High Commissioner, on behalf of the territories and His Honour the Administrator of Southern Rhodesia and His Honour the Acting Administrator of Northern Rhodesia, have agreed upon the following articles, namely:—

ARTICLE I.

The Customs Union Tariff, as it at present exists, shall be maintained between the contracting parties until altered by legislation enacted by the territories or the administrations, it being permitted, however, to the administrations to grant upon all goods and articles the growth, produce, and manu-

*NOTE.—The provisions of this agreement do not apply to the following portion of Northern Rhodesia, viz., that portion of Northern Rhodesia which falls within the basin of the Congo and its outlets according to the definition of such basin contained in Chapter I., Article I., of the General Act of the Conference of Berlin of 1885.

facture of any part of His Majesty's Dominions or of any British Protectorate, a rebate of the customs duties payable under the Customs Union Tariff aforesaid, equal in amount to the difference between the said duties payable as aforesaid and the highest duties which it is permissible to the administrations to impose under Clause 47 of the Southern Rhodesia Order-in-Council 1898, and Clause 19 of the Northern Rhodesia Order-in-Council, 1911. Provided that each of the contracting parties shall notwithstanding anything contained herein be entitled to levy on any article imported into the country of such contracting party and entered for consumption therein a surtax not exceeding any duty of excise which may be levied in the country into which the goods are so entered on any similar article produced or manufactured in such country.

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ARTICLE II.

1. There shall be a free interchange of the products and manufactures of the countries of each of the contracting parties, subject, however, to the provisions of the *third* section of this article.

2. When products and manufactures of the territories and the administrations contained an appreciable quantity of imported material are removed from the territories to either administration for consumption therein or *vice versa* credit shall be given by the forwarding territory or administration (as the case may be) to the receiving administration or territory (as the case may be) of 95 per cent. of the duty originally collected on such materials contained in such manufactures.

3. Each of the contracting parties shall notwithstanding anything contained herein be entitled to levy on any articles produced or manufactured in its country (whether made from ingredients grown or produced in or imported into such country or from a mixture of any such ingredients) a duty of excise, and any of the contracting parties so imposing an excise duty shall be entitled to levy upon the like articles produced or manufactured in the country of any of the other contracting parties a Customs or Excise duty or surtax not exceeding such Excise duty on importation and entry for consumption of such like articles within its country.

The right of any of the territories to impose any Excise duty under this agreement on any article on which an Excise duty is imposed in the Union of South Africa shall not be questioned on the ground that such article is not in fact manufactured in the country of the territory concerned.

ARTICLE III.

1914 1. The contracting parties to this agreement shall, subject to the provisions of the articles of this agreement in respect of removals in bond, collect or arrange for the collection of the Customs duties payable upon all goods imported within their respective borders from abroad, and the collecting party shall recover for and pay over to the consuming party the duty so collected on all goods removed from the former to the latter, subject to a deduction of 5 per cent. of the duty collected.

2. All accounts as between the parties to this agreement shall be made up to the end of each month, and all such accounts shall be settled within one month thereafter, subject to any subsequent adjustment which may be found necessary.

ARTICLE IV.

The territories and the administrations shall, as far as possible, conform to the laws and regulations in force in the Union of South Africa on 30th June, 1910, in respect to refunds, rebates, abatements, suspensions, methylation, prohibitions, removals in bond or otherwise, and interpretations of the tariff; provided that no territory or administration shall be bound to accept an interpretation of any item of the Customs Tariff which may be in conflict with any judicial decision binding upon it.

ARTICLE V.

The provisions of this agreement shall have force and effect as from 1st July, 1910, and shall continue in force until the 30th June, 1911, and thereafter for periods of twelve months; provided that any party to this agreement may give not less than three months' notice before the 30th June of any year of its intention to retire therefrom as from the 30th June following such notice; but provided further that, should all or any of the territories at any time amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this agreement, both or either of the administrations shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith; and similarly should both or either of the administrations amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this agreement all or any of the territories shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith.

CUSTOMS AGREEMENT.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA, NORTH-WESTERN RHODESIA, THE BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, BASUTOLAND, AND SWAZILAND,
1910.

WHEREAS the Customs Union between the Cape of Good Hope, the Orange River Colony, Natal, the Transvaal, and Southern Rhodesia, which included the territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, Swaziland, and North-Western Rhodesia, was terminated on the 30th June, 1910, by consent of the several parties thereto.

And whereas it is desirable that an agreement should be entered into between the territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and Swaziland (herein after referred to as the territories), and the Administrations of Southern and North-Western Rhodesia (herein after referred to as the administrations) under which

- (a) an equitable share of the duties collected by any of the contracting parties hereto on goods passing through its territory to the territory of any other of the said parties shall be paid over to the latter;
- (b) there shall be a free interchange of South African products and manufactures between the territories and the Administrations with certain exceptions.

Now, therefore, His Excellency the High Commissioner, on behalf of the territories and His Honour the Administrator of Southern Rhodesia and His Honour the Acting Administrator of North-Western Rhodesia, have agreed upon the following articles, namely:—

ARTICLE I.

The Customs Union Tariff, as it at present exists, shall be maintained between the contracting parties until altered by legislation enacted by the territories or the administrations. it being permitted, however, to the administrations to grant upon all goods and articles the growth, produce, and manufacture of any part of His Majesty's Dominions or of any British Protectorate, a rebate of the Customs duties payable under the Customs Union Tariff aforesaid, equal in amount to the difference between the said duties payable as aforesaid

and the highest duties which it is permissible to the Admin-
istrations to impose under clause 47 of the Southern Rho-
No. 127 desia Order-in-Council, 1898, and clause 15 of the Barotsiland
1914 —North-Western Rhodesia Order-in-Council, 1899.

ARTICLE II.

1. There shall be a free interchange of the products and manufactures of the territories and the administrations, with the exception of spirits and beer, the duties of Customs and Excise on which shall be subject to the following provisos:—

- (a) In the case of spirits distilled from the product of the vine the duty shall not exceed 9s. per proof gallon, with an allowance for underproof down to 7s. 6d. per gallon.
- (b) In the case of other spirits, the duty shall be leviable at no lower rate than the above, and at no higher rate than that imposed on spirits imported from abroad.
- (c) In the case of beer, the duty shall be leviable at a rate not exceeding 4d. per gallon.

2. When products and manufactures of the territories and the administrations containing an appreciable quantity of imported material are removed from the territories to either administration for consumption therein or vice versa credit shall be given by the forwarding territory or administration (as the case may be) to the receiving administration or territory (as the case may be) of 95 per cent. of the duty originally collected on such materials contained in such manufactures.

ARTICLE III.

1. The contracting parties to this agreement shall, subject to the provisions of the articles of this agreement in respect to removals in bond, collect or arrange for the collection of the Customs duties payable upon all goods imported within their respective borders from abroad, and the collecting party shall recover for and pay over to the consuming party the duty so collected on all goods removed from the former to the latter, subject to a deduction of 5 per cent. of the duty collected.

2. All accounts as between the parties to this agreement shall be made up to the end of each month, and all such accounts shall be settled within one month thereafter, subject to any subsequent adjustment which may be found necessary.

ARTICLE IV.

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The territories and the administrations shall, as far as possible, conform to the laws and regulations in force in the Union of South Africa on 30th June, 1910, in respect to refunds, rebates, abatements, suspensions, methylation, prohibitions, removals in bond or otherwise, and interpretations of the tariff; provided that no territory or administration shall be bound to accept an interpretation of any item of the Customs Tariff which may be in conflict with any judicial decision binding upon it.

ARTICLE V.

The provisions of this agreement shall have force and effect as from 1st July, 1910, and shall continue in force until the 30th June, 1911, and thereafter for periods of twelve months; provided that any party to this agreement may give not less than three months' notice before the 30th June of any year of its intention to retire therefrom as from the 30th June following such notice; but provided further that, should all or any of the territories at any time amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this agreement, both or either of the administrations shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith; and similarly should both or either of the administrations amend the Customs Tariff or take any steps in conflict with the spirit and intent of this agreement all or any of the territories shall be at liberty to retire therefrom forthwith.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of Basutoland at Pretoria, this Fifth day of September One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the territory of Swaziland at Pretoria this Fifth day of September One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Bechuanaland Protectorate at Pretoria this Fifth day of September One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Notice Given under my Hand and the Seal of the British South
No. 127 Africa Company at Salisbury this Twentieth day of October
1914 One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

W. H. MILTON,
Administrator.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Livingstone this First
day of November One thousand Nine hundred and Ten.

L. A. WALLACE,
Acting Administrator, North-Western Rhodesia
(Barotsziland).

B. (3).

PROTOCOL.

TO THE CUSTOMS AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE
ADMINISTRATIONS OF SOUTHERN AND NORTH-WESTERN
RHODESIA AND THE TERRITORIES OF BASUTOLAND, THE
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, AND SWAZILAND, WHICH
CAME INTO FORCE IN JULY, 1910.

WHEREAS in terms of Articles I and II of the Customs
Agreement which at present exists between the territories of
Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate and Swaziland
(herein after referred to as the territories) and the Admin-
istrations of Southern and North-Western Rhodesia (herein
after referred to as the administrations) it is provided that
the Customs Union tariff as it existed at the time when the
aforesaid agreement came into force shall be maintained be-
tween the contracting parties until altered by legislation
enacted by the territories or the administrations, and further
that there shall be a free interchange of the products and
manufactures of the territories and the administrations with
certain specified exceptions:

And whereas it is enacted by Proclamations Nos. 26, 28,
and 27 of 1911 of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate,
and Swaziland respectively that a duty of Excise be levied
on cigarettes made in the territory concerned and a corres-
ponding surtax be levied on cigarettes imported for con-
sumption in the territory concerned on and after the 1st day
of July, 1911;

Now, therefore, His Excellency the High Commissioner on Notice
behalf of the territories and His Honour the Acting Adminis- No. 127
trator of Southern Rhodesia and His Honour the Acting Ad- 1914
ministrator of North-Western Rhodesia do hereby signify
their joint assent to the following amendments to the afore-
said agreement, namely, that:—

1. Article I. The following words shall be added at the
end of the article—"and it further being permitted to the
territories to levy on cigarettes imported from without the
territories and entered for consumption therein the surtax
described in the schedules to the said Proclamations Nos. 26,
28, and 27 of 1911."

2. Article II. A further section "3" shall be added as
follows:—"3. The territories shall, notwithstanding anything
contained herein, be entitled to levy on cigarettes manufac-
tured in the territories whether made from tobacco grown or
produced in the territories or from tobacco imported into the
territories, or from a mixture of tobacco grown in the terri-
tories and imported tobacco, the duty of Excise as described
in the schedules to the Proclamations Nos. 26, 28, and 27 of
1911."

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the territory
of Basutoland at Pretoria this Eleventh day of August One
thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

SEAL. GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the territory
of Swaziland at Pretoria this Eleventh day of August One
thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

SEAL. GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the territory
of Bechuanaland Protectorate at Pretoria this Eleventh day
of August One thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

SEAL. GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the British South
Africa Company at Salisbury this Seventeenth day of July
One thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

SEAL. F. V. NEWTON,
Acting Administrator.

Notice Given under my Hand and Seal at Livingstone this Twenty-
No. 127 fourth day of July One thousand Nine hundred and Eleven.

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L. A. WALLACE.

SEAL.

Administrator.

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PROTOCOL.

TO THE CUSTOMS AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE
ADMINISTRATIONS OF SOUTHERN AND NORTH-WESTERN
RHODESIA AND THE TERRITORIES OF BASUTOLAND, THE
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, AND SWAZILAND, WHICH
CAME INTO FORCE IN JULY, 1910.

WHEREAS a Customs Agreement entered into in the month
of September, 1910, and amended by Protocol of 1911, exists
between the Administrations of Southern and North-Western
Rhodesia and the Territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland
Protectorate, and Swaziland;

And whereas by the Northern Rhodesia Order-in-Council,
1911, the territory formerly known as Barotsiland—North-
Western Rhodesia were united into one territory under the
name of Northern Rhodesia;

And whereas it is desirable that the operation of the said
Agreement should be extended so as to apply to the Territory
of Northern Rhodesia, with the exception of the area herein
after described:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the High Commissioner, on
behalf of the Territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland
Protectorate, and Swaziland, and His Honour the Adminis-
trator of Southern Rhodesia, and His Honour the Adminis-
trator of Northern Rhodesia have agreed on behalf of thier
respective Governments as follows:—

ARTICLE I.

As from the first day of February, 1913, the said Agreement
shall be read as if the Administration of Northern Rhodesia
were a party thereto in place of the Administration of North-
Western Rhodesia; and the provisions of the said Agreement
shall apply accordingly to the Territory of Northern Rhodesia,

with the exception of that portion of Northern Rhodesia which falls within the basin of the Congo and its outlets according to the definition of such basin contained in Chapter I, Article I, of the General Act of the Conference of Berlin of 1885, which portion of the Territory of Northern Rhodesia is hereby declared to be excluded from the provisions of the said Agreement.

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ARTICLE II.

Article I of the said Agreement shall be and is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of the words "Clause 15 of the Barotziland—North Western Rhodesia Order-in-Council, 1899," and the substitution of the words "Clause 19 of the Northern Rhodesia Order-in-Council, 1911."

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory of Basutoland at Pretoria this Twentieth day of November One thousand Nine hundred and Twelve.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory of the Bechuanaland Protectorate at Pretoria this Twentieth day of November One thousand Nine hundred and Twelve.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory of Swaziland at Pretoria this Twentieth day of November One thousand Nine hundred and Twelve.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the British South Africa Company at Salisbury this Twenty-fourth day of January One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

W. H. MILTON,
Administrator.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Livingstone this Third day of December One thousand Nine hundred and Twelve.

L. A. WALLACE,
Administrator.

PROTOCOL.

TO THE CUSTOMS AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATIONS OF SOUTHERN AND NORTH-WESTERN RHODESIA AND THE TERRITORIES OF BASUTOLAND, THE BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE, AND SWAZILAND, WHICH CAME INTO FORCE IN JULY, 1910.

WHEREAS in terms of articles *one* and *two* of the Customs Agreement (herein after referred to as the said Agreement) which at present exists between the Territories of Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and Swaziland (herein after referred to as the territories) and the Administrations of Southern and North-Western Rhodesia as amended by Protocol of 1911, and extended to Northern Rhodesia with the exception of certain parts of the last by Protocol of 1912, the Territories and the Administrations of Southern and Northern Rhodesia are restricted to the levying of Excise or corresponding Customs as therein set forth;

And whereas each of the contracting parties is desirous of being free to impose any Excise duties upon any articles manufactured in its country, and also of being free to levy corresponding Excise or Customs duties or surtaxes on similar articles imported into its country:—

Now, therefore, His Excellency the High Commissioner, on behalf of the Territories, His Honour the Administrator of Southern Rhodesia, and His Honour the Administrator of Northern Rhodesia, do hereby signify their joint assent to the following amendments, namely, that—

(1) *Article one*—

(a) The words added at the end of article *one* of the said Agreement by clause *one* of the Protocol of 1911, shall be deleted therefrom.

(b) The following proviso shall be added at the end of the article:—

“Provided that each of the contracting parties shall notwithstanding anything contained herein be entitled to levy on any article imported into the country of such contracting party and entered for consumption therein a surtax not exceeding any duty of excise which may be levied in the country into which the goods are so entered on any similar article produced or manufactured in such country.”

(2) Article two--

Sections *one* and *three* shall be amended to read:—

1. There shall be a free interchange of the products and manufactures of the countries of each of the contracting parties, subject, however, to the provisions of the third section of this article.

3. Each of the contracting parties shall notwithstanding anything contained herein be entitled to levy on any articles produced or manufactured in its country (whether made from ingredients grown or produced in or imported into such country or from a mixture of any such ingredients) a duty of Excise, and any of the contracting parties so imposing an Excise duty shall be entitled to levy upon the like articles produced or manufactured in the country of any of the other contracting parties a Customs or Excise duty or surtax not exceeding such Excise duty on importation and entry for consumption of such like articles within its country.

(3) The right of any of the territories to impose any Excise duty under this Protocol on any article on which an Excise duty is imposed in the Union of South Africa shall not be questioned on the ground that such article is not in fact manufactured in the country of the territory concerned.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory of Basutoland at Pretoria this Twenty-seventh day of September One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory of the Bechuanaland Protectorate at Pretoria this Twenty-seventh day of September One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Territory of Swaziland at Pretoria this Twenty-seventh day of September One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

GLADSTONE,
High Commissioner.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Livingstone this Sixth day of October One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

CHAS. McKINNON,
Acting Administrator.

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Notice Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the British
No 127 South Africa Company, at Salisbury this Eighteenth day of
1914 November One thousand Nine hundred and Thirteen.

F. J. NEWTON,
Acting Administrator.