

Non-Empire Countries—concluded

Country	Treaty or Convention	Terms
UNITED STATES	Trade Agreement signed Nov. 17, 1938; provisionally in force Nov. 26, 1938; duty concessions provisionally in force Jan. 1, 1939; fully in force June 17, 1939. Supplementary Trade Agreement signed Dec. 13, 1940.	Terms include grant of reduced or fixed rates on scheduled goods by both countries and mutual exchange of most-favoured-nation treatment. Made for three years from Nov. 26, 1938, and thereafter until terminated on six months' notice. Supplementary Trade Agreement provides for quota on foxes and fox skins entering the United States.
URUGUAY	Trade Agreement signed Aug. 12, 1936; in force May 15, 1940.	Exchange of most-favoured-nation treatment. Made for three years and thereafter until terminated on six months' notice.
VENEZUELA	<i>Modus vivendi</i> signed Mar. 26, 1941; in force Apr. 9, 1941.	Exchange of most-favoured-nation treatment. Made for one year subject to renewal or termination on three months' notice; renewed annually by Exchange of Notes, subject to termination on three months' notice.

Section 2.—The Commercial Intelligence Service*

The Commercial Intelligence Service, with headquarters at Ottawa and branch offices in various British Empire and foreign countries administered by Trade Commissioners, is designed to promote and maintain Canadian export trade. These normal trade promotion activities have been limited during war years by the various wartime controls in Canada designed to conserve strategic materials and shipping space and also by the wartime regulation and control of import trade in British Empire countries, the United States and other markets for Canadian products under the flags of the United Nations. Thus the number of these offices was reduced in 1940 and 1941, but began to increase in 1944.

Plans have been completed, and initial steps taken, for a considerable expansion of the Service, both at Ottawa and abroad, to meet anticipated post-war needs and in order to handle the increased volume of work resulting from the detailed tasks involved in export planning and the resumption of normal trade at the close of the War.

Organization at Ottawa.—The headquarters staff is composed of a Director, an Assistant Director and eight divisions. The Director administers and unifies the work of the Service, both at Ottawa and abroad. The eight divisions are as

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