INDEX OF TRADE AGREEMENTS

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This half-yearly Index of trade agreements listed in the International Trade News Bulletin contains the following information:

First, there is a reference list to agreements which have appeared in the bulletin, July - December 1955. This is simply a reference to the issue of the Bulletin in which each agreement is noted.

Secondly, there is a summary of the main features of each agreement showing date of signature or of entry into force, validity, the total values to be traded, as well as the principal commodities envisaged, if known, and special remarks.

(It is important to note that the values and descriptions of goods to be imported or exported refer in each case to imports into and exports from the country which appears in capital letters.)

The Summary does not automatically reproduce information on agreements given in the Bulletin during the preceding six months; in several instances further details or more accurate information which became available later have been added.

Thirdly, Treaties of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation are presented separately in a table showing the years in which such treaties between some fifty-two pairs of countries became effective. This table is kept up to date and reproduced in each issue of the Index.

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