TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Agricultural Products

Agreement Between the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and ISRAEL

Extending Agreement of July 27, 2004

Effected by Exchange of Letters at Jerusalem and Washington December 4, 2019

Entered into force December 4, 2019



NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pursuant to Public Law 89—497, approved July 8, 1966 (80 Stat. 271; 1 U.S.C. 113)—

"...the Treaties and Other International Acts Series issued under the authority of the Secretary of State shall be competent evidence... of the treaties, international agreements other than treaties, and proclamations by the President of such treaties and international agreements other than treaties, as the case may be, therein contained, in all the courts of law and equity and of maritime jurisdiction, and in all the tribunals and public offices of the United States, and of the several States, without any further proof or authentication thereof."





Ministry of Economy and Industry Foreign Trade Administration

December 4, 2019

Sharon Bomer Lauritsen
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Dear Ms. Bomer Lauritsen:

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In order to allow more time for this review, I have the honor to confirm the following understanding between our Governments that, effective as of this date:

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- 2. For 2020, Israel will maintain, for each product listed in Annex B of the Agreement, the quantities for duty-free import into Israel from the United States at the 2008 levels specified for each product in that Annex.
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- 5. The United States and Israel will continue their review of the operation of the Agreement with a view to reaching a new agreement on trade in agricultural products to enter into force at the earliest practicable date.

Sincerely,

Rachel Hirshler

Senior Director for Trade Agreements & Trade Policy

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