

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Government of the Principality of Bulgaria has taken action, extending, on and after June 5, 1906, and until further notice, to the products of the soil or industry of the United States, the benefit of the Bulgarian conventional customs tariff rates, the same being the lowest rates applied by Bulgaria to the like products of any other country, by which action in the judgment of the President reciprocal and equivalent concessions are established in favor of the said products of the United States:

Reciprocity with Bulgaria.  
Preamble.

Now, Therefore, be it known that I, THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, acting under the authority conferred by the third section of the Tariff Act of the United States, approved July 24, 1897, do hereby suspend, during the continuance in force of the said concessions by the Government of the Principality of Bulgaria, the imposition and collection of the duties imposed by the first section of said Act upon the Articles hereinafter specified, being the products of the soil or industry of Bulgaria; and do declare in place thereof the following rates of duty provided in the third section of said Act to be in force and effect on and after September 30, 1906, of which the officers and citizens of the United States will take due notice, namely:

Reduction of duties on Bulgarian products.  
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Upon argols, or crude tartar, or wine lees; crude, five per centum ad valorem.

Articles affected.  
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Upon brandies, or other spirits manufactured or distilled from grain or other materials, one dollar and seventy-five cents per proof gallon.

Upon still wines, and vermouth, in casks, thirty-five cents per gallon; in bottles or jugs, per case of one dozen bottles or jugs containing each not more than one quart and more than one pint, or twenty-four bottles or jugs containing each not more than one pint, one dollar and twenty-five cents per case, and any excess beyond these quantities found in such bottles or jugs shall be subject to a duty of four cents per pint or fractional part thereof, but no separate or additional duty shall be assessed upon the bottles or jugs.

Upon paintings in oil or water colors, pastels, pen and ink drawings, and statuary, fifteen per centum ad valorem.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this fifteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and [SEAL.] six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirty-first.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

By the President:

ROBERT BACON

*Acting Secretary of State.*