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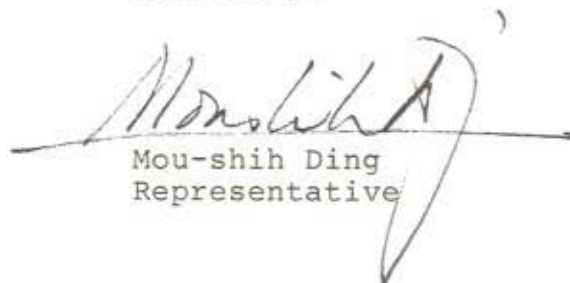
March 16, 1989

Mr. David N. Laux
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Dear Mr. Laux:

I have the honor to refer to your letter of March 16, 1989, concerning understandings reached during discussions held in Washington, D.C. on January 4-6, 1989, between representatives of the Coordination Council for North American Affairs and the American Institute in Taiwan on trade in whole turkeys, turkey parts, processed turkey products and whole ducks. I wish to confirm that the Memorandum of Understandings enclosed with your letter correctly reflects the agreements reached during the discussions of January 4-6, 1989.

Sincerely,



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David N. Laux', written over a light blue horizontal line.

David N. Laux
Chairman of the Board
and Managing Director

Enclosure:

Memorandum of Understandings,
January 6, 1989.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDINGS

Delegations from the Coordination Council for North American Affairs (CCNAA) and the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT) met in Washington, D.C., January 4-6, 1989, to discuss trade in whole turkeys, turkey parts, processed turkey products, and whole ducks. At the close of the discussions, the two sides agreed to the following:

1. The Board of Foreign Trade (BOFT) is solely responsible for administration of monthly import amounts including allocation and issuance of import licenses for turkey parts. The BOFT will issue licenses automatically for the import of these products subject to the provisions in paragraphs 2 and 3 below:

2. Monthly import licenses for turkey parts will be issued in the amount of 450 metric tons during 1989 and 500 metric tons beginning January 1, 1990. Unallocated import licenses will be brought forward to the next month for reallocation; this amount may not be further extended beyond the next month. The quantity of unallocated licenses so carried forward may not exceed 50% of the monthly import quantity for the next month. Imports of turkey parts without quantitative limitation will be resumed September 1, 1990.

3. CCNAA authorities agreed to reduce by executive order as soon as possible the import duty to 20% ad valorem on the following processed turkey products: cooked rolls, roasts, breasts, sausages, franks, hams and pastrami, both frozen and non-frozen (tariff number 1602.31.00, Stat. Codes 11, 21, 91). Importation of any of these products not currently liberalized will be taken as the substitute for and be counted, based on the weight of the shipment, against the monthly quantitative limits for turkey parts during the temporary quantitative limitation period. These products shall be imported without restrictions as of September 1, 1990.

4. On the issue of sanitary standards, CCNAA authorities will dispense with E. coli test analysis for all raw turkey product shipments from the United States that are accompanied by the U.S. Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness (MP form 130). Both sides agree that USDA/FSIS residue testing certification including antibiotics, pesticides, and sulfa drugs would enable CCNAA to accept these U.S. products in lieu of their own residue testing. If the U.S. does not provide such certification, CCNAA authorities will follow their normal residue testing procedures for raw turkey product imports under their law.

5. CCNAA authorities confirmed that whole turkeys will continue to be imported without any restrictions.

6. CCNAA authorities agreed that the imports of whole ducks will be permitted without quantitative limitation effective September 1, 1990, at which time the provisions of paragraph 4 will apply. As from September 1, 1990 licenses for the import of whole ducks from the United States will be issued automatically.