

- (2) Official supplies, uniforms, flags, and such other articles as may be approved by the Minister of Customs for the official use of consular officers, Trade Commissioners, or other accredited representatives of any Government are admitted into New Zealand and the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa free of Customs duty. Provisions and goods other than the official supplies indicated are not covered by this exemption, but are liable to the rates of duty, if any, provided for in the Customs Acts in force at the time of their importation.
- (3) The following item respecting the effects of all passengers arriving in this Dominion appears in the list of goods exempt from duty in the Customs tariff at present in force:—

“Passengers’ baggage and effects, including only wearing-apparel and other personal effects that have been worn or are in use by persons arriving in New Zealand; also implements, instruments, and tools of trade, occupation, or employment, of such persons, not exceeding £100 in value, and household or other effects which have been in use for twelve months prior to embarkation by the persons or families bringing them to New Zealand, and which are not intended for any other person or persons, or for sale, not exceeding in value £100 for each adult passenger, and £50 for each child, provided that the total value of household or other effects so imported does not exceed in value £300 for the members of any one family; also cabin furnishings belonging to each of such persons not exceeding £10 in value—

“If imported within two years of the arrival in New Zealand of the persons or families by whom they have been used
—Free.

“If imported more than two years after the arrival in New Zealand of the persons or families by whom they have been used, to be subject to such conditions as may be imposed by the Minister.”

Should, however, a consular officer, Trade Commissioner, or other accredited representative of any British or Foreign Government be appointed to New Zealand for a period of, say, three or four years, his household effects, of whatever value, would be admitted free of duty, provided he gave a guarantee to the Customs Department that such effects would be re-exported from the Dominion at the expiration of such period.

- (4) The concessions outlined above are granted to consular officers, Trade Commissioners, or other accredited representatives of British or foreign Governments, irrespective of any reciprocal treatment accorded British representatives in foreign countries.
- (5) The exemption regarding the household effects of Latvian non-official nationals is as indicated in the reply to question No. 3.

I have, &c.,

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The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P.,
Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

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SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 17th November, 1926.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 341, of the 28th July, enclosing copies of the report of the Director of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology for the financial year ended the 31st March last, and in confirmation of my