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IT is hereby notified for public information that the Tariff Commission proposes to visit various places in New Zealand for the purpose of taking evidence from persons

desiring to make representations respecting the Customs Tariff.

Any person desiring to make such representations in person should advise the Chairman of the Tariff Commission at the above address as to the article or articles in respect of which it is wished that the Customs Tariff should be maintained or altered. It is essential that the place or places at which such evidence can be tendered should be stated as soon as possible, as the itinerary of the Commission must be arranged at an early date.

Where any association, organization, or other body representing any particular industry, trade, or commercial interest is in a position to tender evidence of a satisfactory and comprehensive character, and desires to do so, such evidence would be preferred. The Commission would, however, reserve the right to require evidence from

any member of such association, organisation, or body.

It is desired that where personal evidence is to be given before the Commission respecting any industry, the person intending to appear should previously supply, if

possible, written information along the lines set out in the Schedule hereto.

Due notice will be given in the New Zealand Gazette, and in the principal daily newspapers published in the district, as to the time and place at which the Commission will sit in each of the various centres which it will visit, but it is unlikely that sittings will be held except at Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin.

As the Commission is to report on or before 30th September, 1933, it will be necessary for those interested to indicate as soon as possible the matters upon which they desire to make representations.

All evidence of the kind indicated in the Schedule hereto or other detailed evidence respecting costs of production will, if the witness so desires and subject to the approval

of the Commission, be regarded as confidential.

It is important that, as far as possible, all the evidence tendered to the Commission should relate to specific articles or classes of articles, and that where it includes matters of fact such as the landed cost, manufactured cost, selling prices, cost of transport of goods, or rates of wages, whether in New Zealand or elsewhere, such evidence should be supported by the authorities or other documents on which the evidence is based.

Any company, firm, or person desiring that the existing tariff on any class of goods should be maintained, increased, or reduced should give evidence before the Commission, as, in the absence of such evidence, the Commission may come to a conclusion which would be contrary to the interests of such company, firm, or person, and which might be other than the conclusion which would have been arrived at if such evidence had been tendered.

GEO. CRAIG, Chairman.

SCHEDULE.

Information to be supplied in writing by Person desiring to give Evidence before the Tariff Commission.

1. Full name and address of person, and of person, firm, company, or association (if any) for whom

2. Place and nature of business of such person, firm, or company.

3. Article or articles with respect to which it is desired to give evidence.

4. Rates of duty at present in force and alterations (if any) desired.

5. Reasons in full for desired alteration (if any).

6. Whether the person, firm, or company is a manufacturer actually manufacturing or producing the article or articles in New Zealand, the United Kingdom, or elsewhere, or whether the person, firm, or company is intending to produce or manufacture the article or articles in New Zealand.

7. In the case of an established industry in New Zealand-

(a) Average number of employees (showing male and female separately) employed in the business of manufacturing the article or articles during the preceding three years, and the average wages paid thereto.

(b) Average number of hours per week worked by such employees.

(c) Capital of such business during each of the last three years under the following headings:-(i) Value of Plant and Machinery (ii) Value of Buildings . . (iii) Value of Land used in the Business

(iv) Working Capital . . (v) Other Division of Capital .. £

(d) General management and distribution charges, including salaries of general manager, office staff, travellers, &c. (average during last three years only).

Total

(e) Repairs and maintenance of buildings, plant, machinery, &c. (average during last three years only).

(f) Rents, rates, and taxes (average during last three years only).

(g) Value during each of the last three years (at factory selling-prices) of articles produced at factory.

(h) The principal materials (raw, partly manufactured, or completely manufactured materials) used during each of the last three years in the process of manufacture, showing nature of the same, country of origin thereof, and price delivered at factory.

(i) Approximate proportion which the total New Zealand output of the article or articles in question at present bears to the total requirements of New Zealand.

(j) Countries from which the keenest competition arises, and any available information as to details of landed costs and wages paid to employees in such countries in the particular industry.

(k) Names and addresses of other New Zealand manufacturers of this article.

8. In the case of an established industry in the United Kingdom or elsewhere outside New Zealand-Information similar to that indicated in paragraph 7 above, but with any modifications necessitated by the circumstances.

9. In the case of a prospective industry

(a) Does the applicant undertake, if sufficient protection is granted by Parliament, to commence the manufacture of the article or articles in New Zealand; and, if so, within what period?

 (b) Average number of employees (and the average wages that (c) Amount of capital proposed to 	would	be paid	to them			•		-
								£
(i) In Land and Buildings		• • •					• •	
(ii) In Plant and Machinery								
(iii) Working Capital, &c.	• •	• •		• •	• •			
• Total							£	

(d) The principal materials proposed to be used in the process of manufacture, showing nature of same, country of origin thereof, and price delivered at factory.
(e) The proportion that the cost of labour will bear to the factory cost of the finished article or articles.
(f) Estimated value of the annual requirements of New Zealand in the article or articles.

 (g) Estimated value of the annual output of the proposed factory.
 (h) Countries which at the present time supply the New Zealand market, and any available information as to details of landed costs and wages paid to employees in such countries in the particular industry.

10. Any other information in support of request.