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FOREWORD

Particularly during this period of disturbance in the conditions of international trading, and with active preparations under way for the World Economic Conference, is it important to have a clear understanding of the current developments and trends in the tariffs and other trade-control measures of foreign countries. To meet the many requests for such information, this review has been prepared.

In addition to the general characterization of the developments of the year 1932, which has already appeared in COMMERCE REPORTS of February 25, this bulletin presents a more detailed review by broad world areas. A similar survey of the year 1930 (and early 1931) appeared in COMMERCE REPORTS for April 20, 1931, and TRADE INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 790 presented a like study for the year 1931.

It is hoped that those interested in international affairs, as well as firms engaged in foreign trade, will find this objective review of current trends in this important field of foreign commercial policy timely and informing.

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