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1. The Ministry of Foreign Trade is divided into three directorates, as follows:
  - a. Export Directorate, headed by Milushev (fnu) who is assisted by Patskov (fnu); the Directorate has divisions for industrial goods, food, metals, and tobacco;
  - b. Import Directorate, headed by Ivan Popov who is assisted by Kamenov (fnu); the Directorate has divisions for heavy machinery, light machinery, metals, books and paper, chemical goods and technical projects, and luxury goods and cosmetics; the chemical goods and technical projects division is headed by Todor Tsolov and the luxury goods and cosmetics division is headed by Anton Vasilev; and
  - c. Customs Directorate, headed by Panov (fnu); this Directorate has a Personnel Unit headed by Kamenov (fnu), a Budget Unit headed by Boris Letkov, an International Exhibits Unit headed by Vidinov (fnu), a Secret Documents Unit, and Accounting Unit headed by Pitskikov (sic, fnu), a Plans Unit headed by Plantikhanov (sic, fnu), and a Trade Agreements Unit headed by Merdzhanov (fnu).

2. Every year Bulgaria makes a 1-year trade agreement with the Soviet Union, Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Albania, Rumania, East Germany

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3. Bulgarian trade with the following countries:

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- a. Soviet Union
  - (1) Exports: Leather goods, plastic goods, cement products, emulsions, unprocessed leather, metals, canned vegetables, fruits, eggs, tobacco, etc.
  - (2) Imports: Automobiles, watches, medicines, agricultural equipment, geological apparatus, sugar, and heavy machinery.

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b. Poland

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- (1) Exports: Unprocessed leather, vegetables, fruits, and charcoal.
- (2) Imports: Fish and cheese

c. Hungary

- (1) Exports: Wood, leather, metal, charcoal, plywood, plating (sic), canned vegetables, etc.
- (2) Imports: Agricultural machinery, bicycles, athletic goods, watches, alarm clocks, cotton materials, and chemical goods.

d. Czechoslovakia

- (1) Exports: Wood, plywood, platings, leather, emulsions, glycerine, ceramics, metals, vegetables, fruit, wine, etc.
- (2) Imports: Bicycles, vehicles, electrical products, light machinery, medical equipment, radios, rubber goods, medicines, sugar, beer, athletic equipment, writing materials, rubber and leather shoes, and household goods.

e. Rumania

- (1) Exports: Legumes, metals, cement, plaster.
- (2) Imports: Petroleum, salt, sugar, and gasoline.

f. East Germany

- (1) Exports: Canned vegetables, fruit, marmalade, eggs, milk products, and legumes.
- (2) Imports: Precision machinery, radios, sewing machines, bicycles, and metals.

g. Albania

- (1) Exports: Food and other items.
- (2) Imports: Olives, lemons, and oranges.

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