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In acute ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$(b + c)\sec A + (c + a)\sec B + (a + b)\sec C \geq 24\sqrt{3}r$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (b + c)\sec A + (c + a)\sec B + (a + b)\sec C &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ &\geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\prod_{cyc} (a + b) \cdot \prod_{cyc} \frac{1}{\cos A}} \stackrel{CESARO}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{8abc \cdot \prod_{cyc} \frac{1}{\cos A}} \geq \\ &\geq 6 \cdot \sqrt[3]{abc \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{1}{8}}} = 12 \cdot \sqrt[3]{abc} = 12 \cdot \sqrt[3]{4Rrs} \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} 12 \cdot \sqrt[3]{8r^2s} \geq \\ &\stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} 24 \cdot \sqrt[3]{r^2 \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r} = 24r \cdot \sqrt[3]{(\sqrt{3})^3} = 24\sqrt{3}r \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.