

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADE

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SCHEDULE XXVI - HAITI

Rectifications requested by the Government of  
Haiti

The following communication dated 4 October 1950 has been received from the leader of the Haitian Delegation at Torquay:

"The Haitian Delegation has the honour to inform you that the following errors have crept into the schedule of concessions granted by the Haitian Government to the French Government in Ancecy:

TARIFF ITEMS INCLUDED BY ERROR IN THE SCHEDULE  
DRAWN UP IN ANCECY AND WHICH THE FRENCH AND  
HAITIAN DELEGATIONS HAVE AGREED TO DELETE:

<u>Item Number of the Haiti Tariff</u>	<u>Description of Goods</u>	<u>Duty (Gourdes)</u>
6102	Fabrics of artificial silk, pure or mixed	Kilo net 6,50 or ad val. 40%
6103	.....	Kilo net 4,50 or ad val. 40%
6104	.....	Kilo net 3,50 or ad val. 40%
6105	.....	Kilo net 7,00 or ad val. 40%
6106	.....	Kilo net 5,00 or ad val. 40%
6107	.....	Kilo net 3,50 or ad val. 40%
6142	Underwear of artificial silk	Kilo net 12,50 or ad val. 40%
6143	.....	Kilo net 18,00 or ad val. 40%
6144	.....	Kilo net 20,00 or ad val. 40%

The above mentioned items have been included by the following concessions on natural silk:

6003 to 6005	Fabric mixtures of natural silk, with warp or weft wholly of cotton or other vegetable fibres, except plushes, shags, velvets, and pile moquettes	Finding of specific duties. Reduction to 30% of ad valorem duties
6006 to 6011	Fabrics of natural silk, pure or mixed in any form with other fibres or filaments, including plushes, shags, velvet and pile moquettes	Finding of specific duties. Reduction to 30% of ad valorem duties

<u>Item Number of the Haiti Tariff</u>	<u>Description of Goods</u>	<u>Duty (Gourdes)</u>
6011	Tulle and mesh fabrics of an exceed- ing 45 centimetres in width.	Kilo net 25,00 or ad val. 30%
6013	Lace of all kinds and tulles, also mesh fabrics less than 45 centimetres in width	Kilo net 20,00 or ad val. 30%
6040 to 6045	Underwear of natural silk:	Binding of specific duties. Reduction to 30% of ad valorem duties on articles worth over 100 dollars per unit.

It should be recalled that the Haitian delegation had had to call the attention of the French delegation to these errors as early as September 1st 1949, and that the latter was in agreement. Furthermore, the French delegation in its letter of 5 November 1949 stated that "the French Government fully agrees with the modifications requested."

The above considerations clearly indicate that this is a case where a physical mistake occurred, and that it is only because Haiti was not represented at the 4th Session of the Contracting Parties that the rectification required was not made in Schedule 26 during that Session. All matters concerning the Republic of Haiti had therefore to be referred to the Torquay Conference.

The Executive Secretary therefore will probably wish to take due note thereof and to make the necessary modifications in Schedule XXVI annexed to the Amsey Protocol of 1st September 1949.