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## AUSTRIA - SPECIAL MEASURES ON HANDMADE PRODUCTS

### Notification by Austria

#### Addendum

In a communication dated 18 October, the Permanent Mission of Austria has provided the following data on imports of handmade products in 1981 under the Austrian scheme for handmade products together with comparable data for 1978-1980.

#### General remarks

1. The scheme became operational on 25 April 1975.
2. If not otherwise stated, all figures are given in Austrian schillings. To facilitate conversion into United States dollars, the average exchange rates for 1978-1981 are given below:

1978 - S 100 = US\$6.89;	US\$1 = S 14.52
1979 - S 100 = US\$7.48;	US\$1 = S 13.37
1980 - S 100 = US\$7.73;	US\$1 = S 12.94
1981 - S 100 = US\$6.28;	US\$1 = S 15.92

Table I  
Statistical breakdown of handicraft imports into Austria  
- textile articles and other handicrafts -

	1978	+/- %	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981
Total imports of handicrafts	102,623,710	- 18.32	83,826,415	+ 46.62	122,914,263	+ 9.61	134,728,146
imports of textiles							
- in A.Sh.	52,220,660	- 18.76	42,422,632	+ 54.31	65,468,778	+ 26.24	82,645,926
- as percentage of total imports	50.89	-	50.61	-	53.26	-	61.34
imports of other handicrafts							
- in A.Sh.	50,403,050	- 17.85	41,403,783	+ 38.75	57,445,485	- 9.34	52,082,220
as percentage of total imports	49.11	-	49.39	-	46.74	-	38.66

**Table II**  
**Statistical breakdown of handicraft imports into Austria**

- origin regions -

	1978	+/- %	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981	1981
Developing countries of Europe								
- imports in A.Sh.	53,056,806	-	42,440,711	+ 30.25	55,279,645	- 4.23	52,943,324	
imports as percentage of total imports	51.70	- 20.01	50.63	-	44.98	-	39.30	
other than Europe								
- in A.Sh.	49,566,904	- 16.51	41,385,704	+ 63.43	67,634,618	+ 20.92	81,784,822	
as percentage of total imports	48.30	-	49.37	-	55.02	-	60.70	
- Asia								
-- in A.Sh.	47,375,255	- 16.30	39,653,218	+ 59.42	63,215,365	+ 22.43	77,391,959	
as percentage of total imports	46.16	-	47.30	-	51.43	-	57.44	
- Africa								
-- in A.Sh.	2,191,649	- 20.95	1,732,486	+ 154.23	4,404,656	- 6.77	4,106,249	
as percentage of total imports	2.14	-	2.07	-	3.58	-	3.05	
- America								
-- in A.Sh.	-	-	-	-	14,688	+ 1,851.35	286,614	
-- as percentage of total imports	-	-	-	-	0.01	-	0.21	

Table III

Statistical breakdown of handicraft imports into Austria

- countries of origin -

Note: The date in column 2 indicates when an agreement enabling the country concerned to benefit from the scheme entered into force.

		1978	+/- %	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981
Europe								
Bulgaria	12. 12. 80	-	-	-	-	-	-	63,600
Greece	22. 12. 77	1,695,423	+ 6.46	1,804,888	+ 138.94	4,312,630	- 99.66	14,767
Malta	30. 1. 76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Romania	22. 9. 75	15,520,974	- 24.54	11,711,921	+ 38.94	16,272,637	+ 22.81	19,983,899
Spain	21. 5. 76	12,131,971	- 45.19	6,649,726	- 2.25	6,500,035	- 76.34	1,537,776
Turkey	1. 7. 76	15,693,987	- 36.60	9,950,655	+ 15.16	11,459,764	+ 18.39	13,567,104
Yugoslavia	18. 6. 75	8,014,451	+ 53.77	12,323,521	+ 35.79	16,734,579	+ 6.22	17,776,178

	1978	+/- %	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981
<u>Asia</u>							
29.							
5.	-	-	108,200	- 22.04	84,351	-	-
78							
8.							
7.	-	-	167,555	+ 323.35	709,360	- 55.35	316,742
76							
3.							
10.	6,918,929	+ 69.55	11,731,398	+ 141.22	28,298,619	+ 28.00	36,222,568
75							
27.							
1.	32,789	+ 380.51	157,554	+ 216.27	498,301	- 87.40	62,777
78							
4.							
6.	-	-	-	-	103,653	- 100.00	-
76							
25.							
4.	6,656,331	- 80.38	1,305,929	- 95.87	53,906	- 12.95	46,925
75							
11.							
7.	-	-	58,941	+ 924.49	603,850	- 15.69	509,130
78							
27.							
3.	-	-	12,958	+ 87.68	24,346	+ 45.37	35,392
78							

	1978	+/- %	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981
28.							
5.	30,004,448	- 33.29	20,015,200	+ 33.01	26,623,499	+ 23.27	32,820,104
75							
24.							
8.	2,133,692	+ 79.56	3,831,315	+ 17.01	4,483,198	+ 0.95	4,525,699
76							
12.							
2.	-	-	46,022	+ 300.22	299,755	- 93.24	15,522
79							
6.							
2.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
76							
14.							
1.	1,629,066	+ 36.17	2,218,236	- 32.26	1,502,527	+ 88.82	2,837,100
76							
<u>Africa</u>							
23.							
4.	2,191,649	- 20.95	1,732,486	+ 154.23	4,404,565	- 7.13	4,090,324
76							
30.							
10.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75							
25.							
4.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
76							

	1978	+/- %	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981
Rwanda	19. 12. 77	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	1. 1. 76	-	-	-	-	-	15,925
<u>America</u>							
Argentina	9. 12. 77	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bolivia	3. 10. 77	-	-	-	-	-	5,886
Chile	2. 6. 78	-	-	-	-	-	-
Costa Rica	30. 1. 80	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	25. 7. 75	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ecuador	24. 11. 76	-	-	7,892	+ 720.78	-	64,776

	1978	+/- %	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-	91,934
16. 1. 81.							
Peru	-	-	-	-	6,796	+ 1,724.87	124,018
19. 7. 79							
Uruguay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. 9. 75.							