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Addendum

In a communication dated 30 June, the Permanent Mission of Austria has provided the following data on imports of handmade products in 1981-82 under the Austrian scheme for handmade products together with comparable data for 1979-1981.

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 1979-1982 are given below:

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
1982 - S 100 = US\$5.86; US\$1 = S 17.06

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

	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981	+/- %	1982	+/- %
Total imports of handicrafts	83,826,415	+ 46.62	122,914,263	+ 9.61	134,728,146	+ 3.47	139,402,387	
imports of textiles								
- in A.Sh.	42,422,632	+ 54.31	65,468,778	+ 26.24	82,645,926	+ 7.64	88,959,852	
- as percentage of total imports	50.61	-	53.26	-	61.34	-	63.82	
Imports of other handicrafts								
- in A.Sh.	41,403,783	+ 38.75	57,445,485	+ 9.34	52,082,220	- 3.15	50,442,535	
as percentage of total imports	49.39	-	46.74	-	38.66	-	36.18	

Table II
Statistical breakdown of handicraft imports into Austria
- origin regions -

	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981	+/- %	1982	+/- %
Developing countries of Europe								
- imports in A.Sh.	42,440,711	+ 30.25	55,279,645	- 4.23	52,943,324	+ 14.56	60,651,637	
imports as percentage of total imports	50.63	-	44.98	-	39.30	-	43.51	
other than Europe								
- in A.Sh.	41,385,704	+ 62.43	67,634,618	+ 20.92	81,784,822	- 3.71	78,750,750	
as percentage of total imports	49.37	-	55.02	-	60.70	-	56.49	
- Asia	39,653,218	+ 59.42	63,215,365	+ 22.43	77,391,959	- 1.73	76,052,597	
as percentage of total imports	47.30	-	51.43	-	57.44	-	54.56	
- Africa	1,732,486	+ 154.23	4,404,656	- 6.77	4,106,249	- 42.13	2,376,331	
as percentage of total imports	2.07	-	3.58	-	3.05	-	1.70	
- America	-	-	14,688	+ 1,851,35	286,614	+ 12.28	321,822	
as percentage of total imports	-	-	0.01	-	0.21	-	0.23	

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.

	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981	+/- %	1982
<u>Europe</u>							
Bulgaria	12.	-	-	-	-	-	68,820
	12.	-	-	-	-	-	
	80						
Greece	22.	1,804,888	+ 138.94	4,312,630	- 99,66	14,767	- (*)
	77						
Malta	30.	-	-	-	-	-	
	1.						
	76						
Romania	22.	11,711,921	+ 38.94	16,272,637	+ 22,81	19,983,899	- 4.78
	75						19,029,069
Spain	21.	6,649,726	- 2.25	6,500,035	- 76,34	1,537,716	+ 25.23
	76						1,926,098
Turkey	1.	9,950,655	+ 15.16	11,459,764	+ 18,39	13,567,104	+ 49.44
	7.						20,274,343
	76						
Yugoslavia	18.	12,323,521	+ 35.79	16,734,579	+ 6.22	17,776,178	+ 8.87
	6.						19,353,307
	75						

*) This agreement expired December 21, 1981.

		1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981	+/- %	1982
<u>Asia</u>								
Afghanistan	29. 5. 78	108,200	- 22.04	84,351	-	-	-	3,236
Bangladesh	8. 7. 76	167,555	+ 323.35	709,360	- 55.35	316,742	+ 36.68	432,910
India	3. 10. 75	11,731,308	+ 141.22	28,298,619	+ 28.00	36,222,568	+ 13.78	41,212,526
Indonesia	27. 1. 78	157,554	+ 216.27	498,301	- 87.40	62,777	- 81.59	111,559
Israel	4. 6. 76	-	-	103,653	- 100.00	-	-	-
Korea, Rep.of	25. 4. 75	1,305,929	- 95.87	53,906	- 12.95	46,925	-	-
Malaysia	11. 7. 78	58,941	+ 924.49	603,850	- 15.69	509,130	- 43.10	289,673
Nepal	27. 3. 78	12,958	+ 87.88	24,346	+ 45.37	35,392	+ 173.30	96,725

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28.	Pakistan	20,015,200	+ 33.01	26,623,499	+ 23.27	32,820,104	+ 19.79	26,325,913
24.	Philippines	3,831,315	+ 17.01	4,483,198	+ 0.95	4,525,699	+ 32.37	5,991,132
12.	Sri Lanka	46,022	+ 300.22	299,755	- 93.24	15,522	-	-
6.	Singapore	2.	-	-	-	-	-	-
14.	Thailand	2,218,236	- 32.26	1,502,527	+ 88.82	2,837,100	- 40.47	1,688,923
<u>Africa</u>								
23.	Egypt	1,732,486	+ 154.23	4,404,565	- 7.13	4,090,324	- 41.91	2,376,331
30.	Kenya	10.	-	-	-	-	-	-
25.	Malawi	4.	-	-	-	-	-	-
19.	Rwanda	12.	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.	Tunisia	1.	-	-	-	-	-	15,925

	1979	+/- %	1980	+/- %	1981	+/- %	1982
<u>America</u>							
Argentina	9. 12. 77	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bolivia	3. 10. 77	2.	-	-	5,886 + 1,733.02	109,069	-
Chile	6. 78	-	-	-	-	-	-
Costa Rica	30. 1. 80	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	25. 7. 75	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ecuador	24. 11. 76	-	-	7,892 + 720.78	64,776	-	-
Mexico	16. 1. 81.	-	-	-	91,934 - 56,64	39,863	-
Peru	19. 7. 79	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uruguay	2. 9. 75.	-	-	6,796 + 1,724.87	124,018 + 39,41	172,890	-