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TROPICAL PRODUCTS: INFORMATION ON THE COMMERCIAL POLICY SITUATION AND TRADE FLOWS

Rice

Note by the Secretariat

Addendum

Introduction

1. Under the work programme of GATT adopted after the conclusion of the Tokyo Round in 1979, the Committee on Trade and Development was given a task to work on further trade liberalization in areas identified as being of special interest to developing countries, which included notably tropical products. In this connection, the secretariat provided during 1981 detailed data on the commercial policy situation and trade flows with respect to a number of tropical products. Data for rice were circulated as COM.TD/W/353 and this document was used as background material for the Consultations on Trade Liberalization (tropical products) held in March 1982.

2. The CONTRACTING PARTIES, meeting at the Ministerial level in November 1982, decided "to carry out, on the basis of the work programme pursued by the Committee on Trade and Development, consultations and appropriate negotiations aimed at further liberalization of trade in tropical products, including in their processed and semi-processed forms, and to review the progress achieved in eliminating or reducing existing obstacles to trade in tropical products at their 1984 Session." At its meeting on 8 March 1983, the Committee on Trade and Development agreed that the background documentation prepared for the 1982 Consultations on Trade Liberalization would be updated, for the purpose of carrying out the consultations and appropriate negotiations called for by the Ministers.

Commercial policy situation (see also SECTION III in COM.TD/W/353)

3. In the five developed countries indicated below imports of rice from developing countries have been granted duty-free treatment either on an m.f.n. basis or under the GSP.

<u>Country</u>	<u>Tariffs (m.f.n. and GSP) on rice</u>
Australia	2%, GSP-0%
Austria	0% (bound at \$ 7 per 100kgs.)
Canada	Uncleaned paddy : 0% Bound Cleaned : 0.25c/lb Bound (1%), GSP-0%
New Zealand ¹	0% Bound
Sweden	0% Bound

4. With respect to six other developed country markets (EEC, Finland, Japan, Norway, Switzerland and United States) maintaining tariffs and/or other measures (e.g. import levies and restrictions), the Annex to this document updates the tariff and trade flow data at the tariff-line level previously circulated as Annex 2 to COM.TD/W/353.

¹Rice in retail packs are subject to import restrictions.

TARIFF AND TRADE FLOW DATA AT THE TARIFF LINE LEVELExplanatory noteTARIFFSColumn TYPE OF DUTY

MTN-B: Base rate for the Tokyo Round (pre-Tokyo Round m.f.n. rate)
MTN-F: Final rate (post-Tokyo round m.f.n. rate)
MFN 80: M.f.n. rate applicable in 1980
TEMP: Temporary m.f.n. rate in 1980
GSP-B: GSP rate in 1981 or 1982
GSP-F: GSP rate related to post-MTN final rate, (Austria, Canada, Japan and Switzerland)
LDC-B: Rate applying to least-developed countries in 1981 or 1982
FTA: Rate applying to countries signatory to free-trade area agreement, e.g. EFTA
ZONE: Rate applying to countries signatory to inter-zone free trade agreement (e.g. between EEC and EFTA)
PREF: Rates applicable under other preferential arrangement, e.g. ACP and Mediterranean countries for EEC

Column RATE

Percentage ad valorem or ad valorem equivalent of specific, mixed or compound rate is indicated with one decimal point. Ad valorem equivalent is based on imports in the year recorded.

Column NAT = nature of duty rate (blank for ad valorem rate)

S for specific rate (e.g. \$4.00/kg);
C for compound rate (e.g. \$4.00/kg + 10%);
M for mixed rate (e.g. \$4.00/kg. or 10% whichever is greater);
V for variable levy or variable component;.
O for other natures.

Column BDG = binding status (blank for ordinary binding)

C for ceiling binding;
P for a rate partially bound at a ceiling rate, and partially at the prevailing rate;
U for an unbound rate.

Column LIM = limitation code for GSP (blank for no limitation)

C for ceiling or competitive need provisions;
Q for quota or similar limitations.

TRADE FLOW DATA

IMPORTS FROM (i) WORLD (= all sources) and (ii) GSP ORIGIN (= GSP beneficiary countries) are each sub-divided by TOT (= total imports irrespective of tariff treatment), MFN (= imports entitled to m.f.n. treatment), GSP (imports covered by GSP), LDC (imports entitled to LDC preference) and FTA, ZONE, PREF (= imports entitled to free trade area or other preferential agreements). It may be noted that "imports covered by GSP" do not take into account quantitative and origin rule limitations and non-utilization of GSP and that actual imports under GSP are smaller than imports recorded as GSP.

With respect to imports from world and imports according to different tariff treatment, names of five main suppliers appear in column MAIN SUPPLIERS and imports from four main suppliers are indicated at the bottom.

Import figures refer to 1981

LIST OF COUNTRY NAMES AND ABBREVIATIONS

ANGOLA	ANGLA	ANGERKA	ARABIAN STATES, N.E.S.
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	ARE	ARGENTINA	ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA
QATARI SH ANTARC. REG.	AVB	FRENCH ANTARC. TERR.	AUSTRIA
AUSTRALIA	AUS	ASTRALIA	BULGARIA
DROWNING HAUD LAND	ATN	AFN	BELIZE
BURUNDI	BDI	PANGLAD SH	BANGLADES
BAHRAIN	BRK	BELGIUM-LUXEMBURG	BLR
BERPUADA	BMU	BRAZIL	BLV
BRUNEI	BRN	BURKINA	BLVUE & ISLAND
ECISANA	BIA	CANADA	CAMP
ECOCISANA	BLK	CAF	CANADA
IVORY COAST	CIV	CHILE	CHINA
CCPHUNH-AFRICA, NES	COA	UNITED REP. CAMEROON	CHIN
COLCHICIA	CUL	CIVIC, REPUBLIC	CLIPPAH-ANTILLIES, NES.
CZECHCSLOVAKIA	CSK	CUMIC	CLUK ISLANDS
CAVMAN ISLANDS	CVH	CAP. VERDE	CLUK ISLANDS
CJIBCLLI	DJI	CIE	CCSIA RICA
ALGERIA	DZA	CYP	CHRISTMAS ISLAND
Egypt (U.A.R.)	EGY	DENMARK	GERMANY, FEDERAL REP
FRENCH AFRICA, NES	FAF	ECU	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
FRENCH ANTILLES	FNT	ESPAIN	ETTA
GABON	GAB	FIN	ETHILPLA
GIBRALTAR	GIB	FIJ	FALKLAND ISL. & DEP.
GSP MFN CRIGIN	GMO	FIKALE	FALKLE ISLANDS
GSP OTHER ORIGIN	GLO	GUATEMALA	FI-AN
GREEBALAC	GKL	GUINEA	GAMIA
GUYANA	GUY	GUINEA-BISSAU	GAPEL GUINEA
PAITI	HII	GREECE	GRKNA
INDIA	IND	FRANKL GUINAA	GUAM
IRAG	JRQ	HEAND & MCDONALD ISL	HILURAS
JAMAICA	JAM	HUN	INDONESIA
KIRIPATI	KBT	IKELAND	IRAN
KCHEA, REPUBLIC CF	KGR	ISL	ITALY
LIBERIA	LUR	ISRAEL	JAHNSIGUR ISLAND
SKI LANKA	LKA	JORDAN	SL KITT S-NEVIS-ANGLA
MORLCCO	MAR	KEN	LEMAN
MFN CDC	MFD	DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA	LEMAK
PALE	MLT	AAU PEOPLE'S DEM REP	LEMAK
PAURITANIA	MRT	SAIN LUCIA	MACAC
PALAMI	MRI	LEEAKAD & WINDAKD	MEXICL
NIGER	NER	MDV	MIDWAY ISLANDS
NIE	NFK	MFD DUC	MZAMBICL
NAURU	NIU	MFL	MUARILIS
N-2. TERRITORIES	NRU	MUCCIA	NHL
AUSTRALIAN TERR. NES	NZT	NAUTINIQUE	NIC
OTHER MFA TREATMENT	OAT	NAMIDIALS-N.AFRICA	NPL
PAKISTAN	UMT	NAUGKIA	NPA
PITCAIRN ISLAND	PAK	NEAR	N.ZEAL AND
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	PCN	NZL	NUFH ASIA N.E.S.
PLATLICAL	PNL	NETHERLANDS	QAF
CATAR	PT	NEUTRAL ZONE	QIN
RWANDA	QAT	ANTARCTIC,ARCTIC,NES	QIN
SENEGAL	RHA	OTHER OCEANIA, NES	QIN
SIERRA LEONE & PQUELON	SEN	OTHER LIGGIN	QIN
ST PIERRE & MIQUELON	SLE	PANAMA	QIN
SHCEN	SPH	PANAMA CANAL ZONE	QIN
TURKS & CAICCS IS.	TCA	PCN	PERU, POLYNESIA
IOKELAU	TKL	PCL AND	PKI
TRINIDAD & TOBACC	TTU	PAY	PLH
UNITED REP. TANZANIA	TTU	REUNION	PLA
LAUGUAY	TTA	SOUTH & S-E ASIA, NES	PLA
ST VINCENT GRENACINE	VCT	SINGAPOKE	PLC
VIEET NAM	VNM	EL SALVADOR	PLC
MACLIS & FUTUNA IS.	VLF	SAU TOME & PRINCipe	PLC
YUGOSLAVIA	YUG	SEAZILAND	PLC
VIET NAM	VNM	CHAD	PLC
SAMUA	VNL	EAST TIMOK	PLC
SOUTH AFRICA	ZAF	TUN	PL-S. ANTILLIES, NES
ZAMBIA	ZBN	TUNISIA	PL-S. VUGIA IS.
ZIMBABWE	ZME	UGANDA	PLAKE ISLAND
		UNITED STATES	PLDEMOCRATIC YEMEN
		VENUEULLA	PLIKE
		VET NAM	PLV
		VIET NAM	PLV
		SAMUA	PLW
		SOUTH AFRICA	PLW

* See page after next

EBC (cont.)	10064100	RIZ SEMI-BLANCHI A GRAINS RONDS					IMPORTS (\$1000) FROM		MAIN SUPPLIERS	
		TYPE	RATE	N	tariff	rate	type	of	world	GSP
QF		A	D	I			tariff		origin	
DUY		C	H	M	VALUE UNIT AD.VITRIFI.				value	
MTN-D	Y	U			TOT	43		3		USA ESP LKA
MTN-F	Y	U			HFN	43		3		USA ESP LKA
HFN 80 *	Y	U			PREF 1					
PREF 2	Y				PREF 2					
MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	USA V	29		ESP V	11		LKA V	3	
HFN	USA V	29			ESP V	11		LKA V	3	
10064300	RIZ SEMI-BLANCHI A GRAINS LONGS									QTY: T
MTN-D	Y	U			TOT	396		296		CUL USA SUR SWE THA
MTN-F	Y	U			HFN	357		257		CUL USA SUR SWE THA
HFN 80 *	Y	U			PREF 1	39		39		SUR
PREF 1	Y				PREF 2					
MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	COL V	256		USA V	99		SUR V	39	
AFN	COL V	256			USA V	99		SWE V	1	
PREF	SUR V	39			PREF	4		THA V	1	
10064500	RIZ BLANCHI A GRAINS RONDS									QTY: T
MTN-D	Y	U			TOT	830		606		CHN ESP USA THA AUS
MTN-F	Y	U			HFN	826		602		CHN ESP USA THA AUS
HFN 80 *	Y	U			PREF	4		4		EGY
PREF 1	Y				PREF 2					
MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	CHN V	508		ESP V	117		USA V	99	
HFN	CHN V	508			ESP V	117		USA V	99	
PREF	EGY V	4			PREF	4		THA V	91	
10064700	RIZ BLANCHI A GRAINS LONGS									QTY: T
MTN-D	Y	U			TOT	19095		13217		THA USA PAK IND SUR
MTN-F	Y	U			HFN	18207		12340		THA USA PAK IND ESP
HFN 80 *	Y	U			PREF	877		877		SUR HDG MNL SLB
PREF 1	Y				PREF 2					
MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	THA V	8639		USA V	5681		PAK V	2424	
HFN	THA V	8639			USA V	5681		PAK V	2424	
PREF	SUR V	599			NDG V	191		MLI V	49	
10065000	RIZ EN BRISURES									QTY: T
MTN-D	Y	U			TOT	30760		105160		THA AUS ESP USA BUR
MTN-F	Y	U			HFN	27928		96854		THA AUS ESP USA BUR
HFN 80 *	Y	U			PREF	2821		2516		SUR GRD EGY SLB MNL
PREF 1	Y				PREF 2					
MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	THA V	4946		AUS V	4843		ESP V	4694	
HFN	THA V	4946			AUS V	4843		ESP V	4694	
PREF	SUR V	2083			GRD V	305		EGY V	214	
PREF	SUR V				PREF			SLD V	174	

* See next page

Import levies with effect from 1 July 1983

CCT heading No	Description	Third countries (t)	ACP or OCT (t) (1)
ex 10.06	Rice :		
	B. Other :		
	I. Paddy rice ; husked rice :		
	a) Paddy rice :		
	1. Round grain	212,33	102,56
	2. Long grain	177,10	84,95
	b) Husked rice :		
	1. Round grain	265,41	129,10
	2. Long grain	221,37	107,08
	II. Semi-milled or wholly milled rice :		
	a) Semi-milled rice :		
	1. Round grain	374,80	175,47
	2. Long grain	429,29	202,76
	b) Wholly milled rice :		
	1. Round grain	399,16	187,23
	2. Long grain	460,20	217,75
	III. Broken rice	63,51	28,75

(1) Subject to the application of the provisions of Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 435/80.

(2) In accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 435/80, the levies are not applied to imports into the French overseas departments of products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States or in the 'overseas' countries and territories.

(3) The import levy on rice entering the overseas department of Réunion is specified in Article 11a of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76.

(Source: EC Official Journal No. L 176/5)

CITY:	MAIN SUPPLIERS	IMPORTS (\$1000) FROM					
		TYPE	RATE	TARIFF	RATE	TYPE	RATE
		OF	N	D	L	UF	TARIFF
		A	D	I	C	H	AD.VITRIF.
		T	G	C	H	VALUE	UNIT AD.VITRIF.
						VALUE	ORIGIN
							QTY: KG
FINLAND							
1006100	PADDY RICE						
MTH-B	15.0	U			TOT	17	
MTH-F	5.0	C			MFN	17	
MFN 80	5.0	C					CHE EEC USA
							CHE EEC USA
	MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	CHE V	12	EEC V	4	
		MFN	CHE V	12	EEC V	4	
							USA V 1
							USA V 1
100610071	PADDY RICE FOR MANUFACTURING FLOUR, GROATS, FLAKES OR STARCH & PRODUCTS OF 1902						
MTH-B	15.0	U			TOT	17	
MTH-F	5.0	C			MFN	17	
MFN 80 FREE	5.0	C					
	RICE AND FURTHER PREPARED THAN HUSKED						
1006300							
MTH-B	15.0	U			TOT	5389	
MTH-F	5.0	C			MFN	5389	
MFN 80	5.0	C					EGY ESP USA EEC
							EGY ESP USA EEC
	MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	EGY V	2675	ESP V	1907	
		MFN	EGY V	2675	ESP V	1907	
							USA V 481
							EEC V 326
							EEC V 326
100630071	HUSKED RICE FOR MANUFACTURING FLOUR, GROATS, FLAKES OR STARCH & PRODUCTS OF 1902						
MTH-B	15.0	U			TOT	939	
MTH-F	5.0	C			MFN	939	
MFN 80 FREE	5.0	C					EGY
							EGY
	MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	EGY V	939			
		MFN	EGY V	939			
1006500	ENRICHED RICE						
MTH-B	25.0	U					
MTH-F	25.0	U					
MFN 80	25.0	U					
100650071	ENRICHED RICE FOR MANUFACTURING FLOUR, GROATS, FLAKES OR STARCH & PRODUCTS OF 1902						
MTH-B	25.0	U					
MTH-F	25.0	U					
MFN 80 FREE	25.0	U					

FINLAND (cont.)	ITEM	IMPORTS (\$1000) FROM						MAIN SUPPLIERS
		TARIFF OF DUTY	TYPE N D T	RATE A D I	TARIFF UNIT C M	WORLD AD.VITRIF.	GSP ORIGIN VALUE	
1006500	MILLED RICE					101	547	USA EGY
		MTN-B MTN-F MFN 80	25.0 15.0 15.0	U C C		MFN	567	USA EGY
	MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	USA V	524		EGY V	43	
		MFN	USA V	524		EGY V	43	
100690011	MILLED RICE FOR MANUFACTURING FLOUR, GROAIS, FLAKES OR STARCH & PRODUCTS OF 1902					101	215	EGY
		MTN-B MTN-F MFN 80 FREE	25.0 15.0 FREE	U C C		MFN	215	EGY
	MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	EGY V	215		MFN	215	
			EGY V	215				

	JAPAN	RICE, IN YHL HUSK (PADDY OR ROUGH RICE)						IMPORTS (\$1000) FROM				MAIN SUPPLIERS
		TYPE OF DUTY	RATE A Y	RATE D C	RATE I G	TARIFF UNIT	TARIFF VALUE AD.VITRH.I.	TYPE OF WORLD	GSP	ORIGIN	VALUE	
1006100		HTM-B	15.0	U				TOT				QTY: 1
		HTH-F	15.0	U								
		HTN-BU	15.0	U								
		TEMP.	FREE	U								
1006200		RICE, RUSKED, BUT NOT FURTHER PREPARED (CARCOPICE OR BURN RICE)						QTY: 1				
		HTN-B	15.0	U				TOT				BUR
		HTH-F	15.0	U								
		HTN-BU	15.0	U								BUR
		TEMP.	FREE	U								
1006300		RICE, SEMI-MILLED OR WHOLLY MILLED, WHETHER OR NOT POLISHED OR GLAZED (INCLUDING PARBOILED RICE)						QTY: 1				
		HTN-B	15.0	U				TOT	2086	1649		THA USA CHN UWS
		HTH-F	15.0	U								
		HTN-BU	15.0	U								THA USA CHN
		TEMP.	FREE	U								
1006400		MAIN SUPPLIERS TOT HTN THA V 1467 USA V 435 CHN V 167 UWS V 182 QTY: 2						QTY: 1				
		HTN-B	15.0	U				TOT	2349	2122		THA USA
		HTH-F	15.0	U								
		HTN-BU	15.0	U								THA USA
		TEMP.	FREE	U								
		MAIN SUPPLIERS TOT HTN THA V 2322 USA V 27										
		HTN-BU	15.0	U								
		TEMP.	FREE	U								

Note: In Japan the export and import of rice are under government management although import and export transactions are carried out by private traders (see COM.TD/W/353, page 13 for details)

Note: Imports of rice for animal feeding into Switzerland are subject to import restrictions and levies

ITEM OF DUTY	RATE A D I C H	TARIFF N B L I C H	RATE I C H	TYPE OF TARIFF AD.VITRH.	WORLD UNIT	GSP ORIGIN VALUE	IMPORTS (\$1000) FROM		MAIN SUPPLIERS
							TOT	PHL V	
USA									
							10		
03050									IND PHL THA CAN
MTN-B	2.1 S	U	125/ LB	TOT	11				
MTN-F	2.1 S	U	125/ LB				10		
NFN 80	2.1 S	U	125/ LB	NFN	11				IND PHL THA CAN
									IND PHL THA CAN
03056									
MTN-B	4.3 S	U	150/ LB	TOT	179				IND PAK
MTN-F	1.7 S	U	60/ LB				179		
NFN 80	1.7 S	U	60/ LB	NFN	179				IND PAK
									IND PAK
03058									
MTN-B	3.1 S	U	150/ LB	TOT	23				IND CAN THA JPN
MTN-F	3.1 S	U	150/ LB				23		
NFN 80	3.1 S	U	150/ LB	NFN	23				IND CAN THA JPN
									IND CAN THA JPN
03130									
MTN-B	7.0 S	U	250/ LB	TOT	769				PAK IND EEC THA CAN
MTN-F	2.0 S	U	100/ LB				769		
NFN 80	4.2 S	U	150/ LB	NFN	769				PAK IND EEC THA CAN
									PAK IND EEC THA CAN
03133									
MTN-B	2.5 S	S	3125/CLB	TOT	275				PAK IND EEC THA CAN
MTN-F	2.5 S	S	3125/CLB				275		
NFN 80	2.5 S	S	3125/CLB	NFN	275				PAK IND EEC THA CAN
									PAK IND EEC THA CAN
03135									
MTN-B	0.6 S	S	10/ LB	TOT	773				HKG CAN THA MEX CHN
MTN-F	0.6 S	S	10/ LB				773		
NFN 80	0.6 S	S	10/ LB	NFN	293				CAN CHN JPN EEC
ESP1-B FREE		C	GSP		520				HKG THA MEX CHN PRT.
MAIN SUPPLIERS	TOT	IMC V	278	CAN V	175	THA V	169	HEX V	63
	4F4	CAN V	175	CIN V	40	JPN V	37	EEC V	1
	GSP	HKG V	216	THA V	169	MEX V	63	CAN V	4