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ARTICLE XIX - AUSTRIA

Action on Oilcakes

The following communication, dated 15 July 1968, has been received from the permanent representative of Austria.

Upon instructions of my Government I have the honour to inform you that the Austrian authorities feel compelled to introduce, with effect as from 15 July 1968, an import duty of Austrian Schillings 50.- per 100 kilograms on the Austrian tariff item No. ex 23.04 (Oilcake).

At the 1964/67 Trade Conference tariff item No. ex 23.04 (Oilcake) had been bound free, as indicated in Schedule XXXII-Austria to the Geneva (1967) Protocol.

The Austrian authorities had to adopt the import duty as mentioned above in view of critical circumstances where Austrian producers of directly competitive products find themselves, in accordance with the provisions of Article XIX, paragraph 1 and paragraph 2, last sentence, of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Austria is ready to enter into consultations with any contracting party having a substantial interest in the export of oilcake falling under tariff item No. 23.04 into Austria.