

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## SUBSIDIES

### Notifications Pursuant to Article XVI:1

#### Addendum

#### KENYA

Further to the request for notification of subsidies (L/3178), the Government of Kenya has submitted the following information:

"It is the policy of the Government of Kenya not to subsidize agriculture or industry, in so far as possible.

"The only subsidies worth mentioning and maintained by Kenya are those for fertilizers and the export of maize. As far as the fertilizer subsidy is concerned, phosphatic fertilizers get a subsidy of K Sh 500 per ton of phosphatic content. Nitrogenous fertilizers get a subsidy of K Sh 300 per ton for the nitrogenous element in the compound or mixed fertilizers. The export subsidy on maize is of the order of K Sh 14 per bag.

"The purpose of the fertilizer subsidy is to enable our farmers to reduce their cost of inputs and to improve their competitive position in relation to producers elsewhere and also to give them a reasonable level of income. As for the subsidy of maize exports, the main purpose is to enable the Maize and Produce Board to operate on a viable basis and set it up on firmer foundations so that it develops into a useful instrument in the agricultural marketing sector for the benefit of our farming community.

"The above information has not been set out in accordance with the agreed questionnaire on subsidies by GATT as some of the details required are unavailable and hence cannot be set out correctly."