

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## AUSTRALIAN TARIFF PREFERENCES FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

### Notification by the Government of Australia

1. In accordance with the procedures laid down in paragraph 4 of the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES dated 23 March 1966 (BISD, Fourteenth Supplement, page 23) the Government of Australia hereby notifies its intention to extend its system of tariff preferences for developing countries by according to the products specified in Annexes A and B the tariff treatment indicated therein.

2. In addition, it is intended to grant preferential duty-free admission, without quota limitation, to the following:

Goods that, in the opinion of the Minister, are hand-made traditional products of cottage industries in developing countries, as follows:

products of a kind falling within item 48.14, paragraph 48.15.99 or sub-item 48.18.2 of the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff;

articles made from hand-woven textile fabric, being articles of a kind falling within paragraph 42.02.99 of the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff;

articles made from hand-woven textile fabric, embroidered and decorated with sequins in the form of glass mirrors;

embroidered boots made of sheepskin leather;

embroidered jackets made of sheepskin leather or of hand-woven textile fabrics;

imitation jewellery falling within item 71.16, being necklaces, bracelets or anklets, consisting essentially of hand-made beads other than of artificial plastic materials;

ornaments made from cloves;

rubbings being pictures;

stoneware, carved, inlaid or ornamental.

## Annex A

## ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS ON WHICH TARIFF PREFERENCES FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ARE PROPOSED

Tariff item	Brief description	1968/69 import clearances (\$A'000)				Present tariff rates		Proposed concession for developing countries	
		From developing countries	From other British preferential countries	From other countries	Total	Most favoured nation	British preferential	Preferential tariff rate	Proposed annual tariff quota (\$A)
28.35.900	Sulphides and polysulphides, excepting cadmium sulphide	14	51	164	229	7½%	Free	Free	20,000
28.47.900	Other salts of metallic acids	4	118	350	472 <sup>3/</sup>	7½%	Free	Free	40,000
29.13.900	Other ketones, ketone-alcohols, ketone-phenols, etc.	6	86	465	557	7½%	Free	Free	50,000
29.35.900	Other heterocyclic compounds and nucleic acids	134	3,657	13,393	17,184	7½%	Free	Free	1,000,000
29.38.000	Provitamins and vitamins, etc.	1	140	1,689	1,830	7½%	Free	Free	200,000
ex 40.10.100	Transmission, conveyor or elevator belts or belting of vulcanized rubber, as per by-law	-	1	249	250	7½%	Free	Free	25,000
68.15.000	Worked mica and goods made of mica	8	41	17	66	27½%	12½% <sup>1/</sup>	10%	10,000
69.07.100)	Tiles, glazed and unglazed,	91	19	3,777	3,887	3%	Free	Free	400,000
69.08.100)	less than 5 inches by 2 inches								
70.08.100	Safety glass for motor vehicles	-	156	914	1,070	37½%	27½% <sup>2/</sup>	27½%	100,000
ex 70.17.100	Laboratory, hygienic and pharmaceutical glassware, as per by-law	-	575	582	1,157	7½%	Free	Free	100,000
74.18.100)	Kitchenware, tableware, builders' sanitary ware, of copper, brass, bronze, etc.	160	176	187	523	45%, or, if higher, \$0.237 per dozen primage 5%	22½%, or, if higher, \$0.075 per dozen	27½%	35,000
74.18.910)						45%	22½%		
74.18.991)						50%	27½%		
74.18.999)						55%	27½%		
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<sup>1/</sup> Special rates apply to imports from New Zealand.<sup>2/</sup> Special rates apply to imports from Canada.<sup>3/</sup> Excludes clearances of potassium dichromate and sodium chromate prior to 7 November 1968.

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83.05.100	Staples, etc.	10	164	57	231	37½% primage 5%	12½%	10%	20,000
84.19.300	Machines for bottling, labelling, sealing, wrapping, packing, etc.	25	1,429	3,085	4,539	7½%	Free	Free	400,000
84.22.990 (S.I.127.138)	Hoists and winches, power- operated	-	556	1,444	2,000	55%	27½% <sup>1/</sup>	20%	75,000
84.61.910	Taps, cocks, valves, etc., wholly of brass, bronze or gunmetal	3	282	242	527	50%	27½%	27½%	50,000
93.07.190	Cartridges, other than for military purposes	-	111	442	553	27½%	10% <sup>1/</sup>	10%	25,000
97.07.100	Fish-hooks	-	56	174	230	10%	Free	Free	25,000
Total quota increase									\$2,575,000

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Annex B

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Proposed Reductions in Preferential Rates for Developing Countries and/or Increases in Preferential Tariff Quotas

Tariff item	Brief description	1968/69 import clearances (\$A'000)					Normal tariff rates		Developing country preferential rates and tariff quotas.			
		From developing countries		From other British preferential countries	From other countries	Total	Most favoured nation	British preferential	Preferential rate		Annual quota (\$A)	
		At preferential rate	Total						Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed
48.13.000	Carbon and other copying papers	-	-	758	200	958	27½%	17½%	5%	5%	80,000	100,000
ex 55.05.100	Unfinished yarns for use in the manufacture of sewing cottons	-	1	472	132	605	27½%	12½% <sup>1/</sup>	Free	Free	100,000	200,000
ex 55.09.221	Cotton fabrics containing 20% or more of man-made fibres, less than 7 oz. per sq.yd., as prescribed by by-law	-	-	56	15	71	\$0.021 per sq.yd., or, if lower, 7½%	Free	Free	Free	25,000	55,000
55.09.390	Cotton piece goods less than 6 oz. per sq.yd.	2,367	16,035	2,371	45,816	64,222	1%	Free	Free	Free	3,000,000	5,000,000 (excluding percale sheeting)
ex 58.01.100)	Hand-made carpets, mats and matting (including numdahs)	1,360	1,747	8	271	2,026	7½%	Free)	Free	Free	3,000,000	4,000,000
ex 58.02.300)							7½%	Free)				
ex 59.02.000)							25%	15%)				
ex 61.01.110 (S.I.32,43)	Men's and boys' suits	-	2	270	39	311	57½%, or, if higher, 40% and \$2.50 each primage 5%	22½%, or, if higher, 12½% and \$1.00 each <sup>1/</sup>	20%	20%	25,000	60,000
ex 61.01.190 (S.I.39,4X)							65%, or, if higher, 45% and \$1.50 each primage 10%	30%, or, if higher, 17½% and \$0.65, each <sup>1/</sup>				
61.06.000	Shawls, scarves, veils and the like	11	31	40	599	670	54½%	22½%	15%	15%	60,000	75,000
62.02.600	Quilts of the marcella, honeycomb, etc. type	17	76	190	834	1,100	7½%	Free	Free	Free	25,000	100,000

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84.51.000	Typewriters	141	343	2,326	6,192	8,861	7½%	Free	Free	Free	500,000	800,000
84.52.910)	Punched card statistical and accounting machines and auxiliary equipment	1,032	1,041	11,994	27,900	40,935	7½%	Free)	Free	Free	1,250,000	2,500,000
84.53.000)							7½%	Free)				
91.01.200	Wrist watches	-	92	169	3,747	4,003	Case - 42½%, or, if higher, \$0.50 each; remainder - 45%	Case - 25%, or, if higher, \$0.40 each; remainder - 27½%	Free	Free	350,000	400,000
Total											8,415,000	13,270,000
Total of proposed quota increases								- \$4,855,000				
Total of proposed new quotas (Annex A)								- \$2,575,000				
Total resultant increase in quotas								- \$7,430,000				

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