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AUSTRALIAN TARIFF PREFERENCES FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Notification by the Government of Australia

In accordance with the procedures laid down in paragraph 4 of the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES dated 28 March 1966 (BISD, Fourteenth Supplement, page 23) the Government of Australia hereby notifies its intention to extend the scope and application of the preferences referred to in the Annex in the manner indicated therein. No change in the existing level of preferential tariff quotas is involved.

Annex

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PROPOSED INCREASE IN SCOPE OF EXISTING PREFERENCES

Tariff item	Brief description	1968/69 import clearances (\$A '000)				Normal tariff rates		Developing country preferential tariff rates and annual quotas			
		From developing countries	From other British preferen- tial countries	From other countries	Total	Most- favoured nation	British preferential	Present		Proposed	
								Rate	Annual quota (\$A)	Rate	Annual quota (\$A)
25.23.100	Portland cement	-	236.0	1,120.0	1,356.0	\$2-75 per ton	\$1-65 per ton ^{1/}	Free (excluding Taiwan)	50,000	Free	50,000
59.04.300	Tyre cord	-	-	0.2	0.2)	50%	25% ^{1/}	(-	-	15%	30,000
	Other twine, cordage, etc.	13.3	33.6	192.4	239.3)			()	-		
59.06.000	Articles of twine, etc.	25.5	64.9	151.4	241.7	40%	25% ^{1/}) 15%	30,000	15%	30,000
84.20.100)	Weighing machinery, viz:	-	134.7	70.0	204.7	(- spring balances; price computing scales)		-	-	15%	200,000
84.20.200)						(40% 25% ^{1/}					
84.20.900)						(- machines, viz:					
						(capacity over 1 ton;					
						(automatic; check-					
	- for continuous weighing of free- flowing bulk commodities	-	20.8	64.6	85.4	(weighers		-	-		
	- weight-count machines; sensitive balances	-	0.2	4.6	4.8	(20% 10% ^{1/}		-	-		
	- automatic ore-weighing machinery	-	0.3	789.6	1,649.6	(- other		15%	200,000		
	- other	0.3	859.2	789.6	1,649.6	(30% 20% ^{1/}					

^{1/} Special rates apply to imports from New Zealand.