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IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

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Addendum

MALTA¹

The following communication was received by the secretariat from the Permanent Mission of Malta.

I have the honour to refer to your letter XII/100 dated 23 January 1973 regarding the new procedures for Regular Consultations on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions under Article XVIII:12(b).

After acceding to the GATT, Malta had informed the secretariat of the restrictions then in force and asked that these should be considered as constituting a notification under the agreed procedures for residual restrictions which are set out in BISD, Ninth Supplement, pages 19 to 20.

Malta has so far never invoked balance-of-payments difficulties as justification.

Enclosed herewith please find a list of restrictions in force at present. The reasons for maintaining these restrictions have not changed since our original notification.

¹Past notifications: 1965 L/2336/Add.1; 1967 L/2749/Add.3; 1968 L/2984/Add.11; 1969 L/3213/Add.2 and Rev.1.

ANNEXList of Restrictions and ProhibitionsFreely licensed

ex 15.13	Margarine
ex 16.04	Mackerel, salmon, tuna, canned
ex 18.06	Chocolate Easter eggs
ex 20.02	Preserved canned globe artichokes
ex 20.06	Fruit in tins other than peaches and pears
ex 20.07	Fruit squashes
ex 21.07	Ice-cream mixtures other than unsweetened
ex 28.42	Crystal soda
ex 29.25	Saccharine and other similar sweetening agents for medicinal purposes
ex 32.09	Plastic emulsion and water paints
ex 34.01	Laundry soap
ex 34.02	Detergents
ex 36.06	Matches
ex 39.07	Shopping bags of rigid net or string
ex 42.02	Shopping bags not of plastic or leather
ex 42.02	Trunks, satchels
ex 42.02	Travelling bags of plastic, leather or canvas: (a) duffle bags, (b) other types over 16 inches in length
ex 48.15	Toilet paper
ex 48.18	Exercise books
ex 48.19	Gummed paper labels, printed
ex 58.09	Lace (not with Malta emblems), machine-made if indelibly marked with the country of origin
ex 58.09	Lace, not in imitation of Malta lace
ex 59.01	Shoulder pads made of wadding
ex 60.02 and ex 61.10	Gloves
ex 60.03	Men's and children's socks other than of nylon/man-made fibres
ex 61.01	Jeans

- ex 61.03 Men's and boys' shirts, not woven
- ex 64.02 Footwear, leather
- ex Chapter 71 Manufactured or semi-manufactured articles of gold (not including filigree)
- ex 73.10 Building bars and rods
- ex 74.19 Candlesticks other than of solid brass or bronze
- ex 76.16 Venetian blinds
- ex 85.19 Electrical wiring accessories
- ex 85.19 Earth leakage circuit breakers
- Chapter 94 Furniture whether in an assembled or in a knocked-down state as well as identifiable parts thereof (excluding wooden chairs)
- ex 98.11 Cigar and cigarette holders (except those made of bone, ivory or silver) (dye-stamped with the country of origin)
- ex 98.11 Smokers' ash receptacles (other than those made wholly of glass, and advertising ash-trays)
- ex 98.11 Smoking pipes, costing more than 57s. f.o.b. per dozen
- ex 99.00 Paintings in oil or water-colour (antiques)

Freely licensed (subject to approval by the Department of Health)

- 22.08 B Alcohols and glycols
- 29.25,26, 30 Saccharine and other sweetening agents other than those for medicinal purposes

Freely licensed (subject to approval by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries)

- 01.01 Equines
- 01.02 Bovines
- 01.04 Caprines and ovines
- ex 02.01 Meat of equines, bovines, caprines and ovines
- ex 02.04 Meat of rabbits, of game; parts of dead poultry
- ex 02.06 Pigs' feet
- ex 04.05 Egg powder and egg albumen
- ex 07.05 Horsebeans, chickpeas, dariseed, sorghum
- 10.03 Barley
- 10.05 Maize
- ex 23.02 Bran, pollard, middlings

- 23.04 Cotton-seed cake
- 23.07 Prepared animal feeding stuffs
- 84.25 Mechanical graders for agricultural and horticultural produce

Freely licensed (seasonal)

- 07.01 Vegetables, fresh or chilled, of the local type
- 07.02 Vegetables, frozen of the local type
- 08.02,04)
08.06,09) Fruits, fresh of the local type
- 08.10 Fruits, frozen of the local type

Licensed (subject to approval by the Milk Marketing Undertaking)

- ex 04.02 Cream, preserved other than canned
- ex 04.02 Milk powder skimmed (with addition of 10 per cent sucrose), in bulk
- ex 04.02 Milk powder, full cream, without additions of 10 per cent sucrose in bulk
- ex 04.04 Cheddar and Edam cheese
- ex 04.04 Cheese, grating and peppered

Licence issued (subject to approval by Director of Industry)

Tourist souvenirs and other articles advertising the Maltese Islands in any manner whatsoever.

Licence issued (subject to price considerations)

- 04.02 Milk evaporated and condensed
- 04.03 Butter
- 10.07 Canary seed
- 17.01 B Sugar in bulk
- 25.23 Cement

Licence issued according to previous imports

- ex 02.02 Ducks and turkeys
- ex 02.06 Bacon
- ex 15.07 Edible oil in containers exceeding 1 litre capacity
- ex 16.01 Sausages fresh, chilled or frozen
- ex 19.08 Cakes and puddings (rich fruit)

- ex 20.04 Glacé cherries
- ex 20.06 Fruit in tins (peaches and pears)
- 21.06 Baking powder
- ex 21.07 Jellies in crystal form, cream and custard powder
- ex 22.05 Wine in bulk including must and grape juices
- ex 30.04 Cotton wool
- ex 34.06 Candles
- ex Chapter 39 Plastic flexible cellular foam in blocks, sheets or chips
- ex 04.02 Women's and children's handbags, of plastic or leather and fibre/
fibreboard suitcases
- ex 48.21 B Sanitary towels of paper
- ex 49.11 Postcards with subjects of local interest
- ex 55.09 Grey cotton cloth
- ex 55.09 Sheeting of bleached cotton
- ex 59.01 A Sanitary towels of wadding
- ex 60.03 Ladies' nylon stockings and men's and children's socks of nylon/man-
made fibres
- ex 61.01 Men's trousers
- ex 61.03 Men's woven shirts with collar attached
- ex 62.05 C Other textile sanitary towels
- ex 70.09 Glass mirrors (other than framed mirrors under 8 inches in length or
diameter)
- ex 73.39 Steel wool
- ex 87.02 Used motor cars and vans
- ex 94.01 Wooden chairs
- ex 94.04 Spring mattresses
- ex 96.02 Floor brooms

Prohibitions

- 01.03 Swine¹
- 01.05 Poultry¹
- ex 01.06 Birds of the following species: Bramblefinch, chaffinch, crow and
jackdaw, goldfinch, greenfinch, hawfinch, ortulan barting,
serinfinch, siskin, twite or linnet

¹Licences granted occasionally on recommendation of Director of Agriculture and Fisheries.

ex 01.06	Rabbits ¹
ex 02.01	Meat (pork) ¹
ex 02.02	Dead poultry ¹
ex 04.01	Milk and cream fresh, yoghurt, rikotta
ex 04.05	Eggs, in the shell ¹
ex 04.06	Natural honey ¹
ex 10.01	Wheat in grain other than by state
11.01	Flour, including self-raising flour ²
ex 11.01	Semolina
ex Chapter 15	Cooking fats
ex 17.01	Sugar, icing
ex 17.04	Sugar almonds, helwa
ex 19.03	Macaroni, spaghetti and similar products
ex 19.07	Bread
ex 19.08	Cakes, pastries, puddings (plain)
ex 20.02	Tomato paste, canned tomatoes
ex 20.02	Peas canned
ex 20.02	Potato crisps
ex 20.04	Candied peel
ex 21.07	Ice cream
ex 21.07	Ice-cream mixtures unsweetened
ex 23.05	Lees in any stage, form or state
ex 25.01	Common salt ²
ex 27.11	Liquefied petroleum or natural gas
27.14,16	Bituminous emulsions
ex 28.04	Oxygen
ex 28.13	Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
ex 40.11	Motor car tyres, other than new
ex 42.02	Shopping bags of plastic or leather

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²Licences granted in exceptional circumstances.

- ex 44.21 Bottle crates for soft drinks
- ex 44.23 etc. Prefabricated houses
- ex 46.03 Baskets and basketware of cane, willow or wicker
- ex 48.19 Paper labels, printed, (other than gummed) of the type manufactured locally
- ex 49.11 Theatre tickets and posters (including maps or plans of Malta) which can be produced locally¹
- ex 49.11 Commercial letter-heads and other printed matter¹
- ex 58.09 Lace (with Malta emblems)
- ex 61.03 Boys' woven shirts with collar attached
- ex 62.02 Bed sheets and pillow cases of grey cotton cloth
- ex 62.03 A,B Flour and potato sacks of whatever material
- ex 68.02 Worked marble stone¹
- ex 68.11 Cement tiles (other than glazed wall tiles)
- ex 71.12 Gold or silver filigree articles
- ex 73.21 Collapsible iron gates (of the type manufactured locally)
- ex 73.21 Metal doors and windows
- ex 73.31 Iron nails (of the type manufactured locally)¹
- ex 73.32 Woodscrews (of the type manufactured locally)¹
- ex 73.38,40) Articles representing or incorporating a dolphin in embodied form
ex 74.18,19) whether in finished or partly finished state
- ex 73.38 Baths exceeding 5 feet 6 inches in length
- ex 73.40 Railings of an ornamental nature
- ex 74.19 Candlesticks of solid bronze or brass
- ex 84.52 Cash registers, calculating machines and similar machines, not suitable for currency in cents and mils
- ex Chapter 84 Machinery for the production of aerated water, gas, macaroni, spaghetti and similar products, brooms, socks and stockings, filigree, tomato paste, water pumps as well as flour milling, refrigeration and ticket issuing machines
- ex 85.15 Colour televisions
- ex 85.20 Neon signs
- ex 87.02 Motor hearses

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- ex 87.02 Motor buses and bodies for motor buses, whether ready built or in a knocked-down condition
- ex 87.06 Radiator cores
- ex Chapter 93 Arms and ammunition¹
- ex 97.04 Amusement automatic machines
- ex 97.04 Billiard tables
- ex 98.01 Buttons (other than those of leather or shell)¹
- ex 98.11 Smoking pipes costing less than 57s. f.o.b. per dozen
- ex 98.11 Pipe racks
- ex 99.01 Paintings in oil or water colour framed or unframed, on any material (not antiques)

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