

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON THE EXPORTS OF SUGAR

### Finland

The following communication, dated 25 November 1974, has been received from the permanent mission of Finland,

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The Government of Finland has on 22 November 1974 decided to introduce temporary quantitative restrictions on the export of sugar. The decision, with effect from 23 November 1974, relates to the following sub-heading of the Finnish customs tariff:

ex 17.01 - crystallized or cube sugar.

According to the decision exports of quantities larger than five kilograms per person are made subject to licensing.

The restrictions now decided upon will not hamper the traditional re-exporting of the sugar refined in Finland. The purpose of the measures now undertaken, in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article XI of the GATT, is to limit the exports of the sugar meant for domestic consumption and subsidized for social reasons by the Government in order to compensate the rise in world market prices.

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