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ROLLBACK

Communication

The following communication is circulated in accordance with paragraph 4 of the agreed procedures for the surveillance mechanism (MTN.TNC/2, Annex).

1.	<u>Communication from:</u> CHILE	<u>to:</u> UNITED STATES
2.	<u>Participant maintaining the measure:</u> UNITED STATES	
3.	<u>Description of the measure:</u> (including date of entry into force and relevant legislation or other document): Import quotas and licensing system: since 1979, the United States, by virtue of the waiver granted to it in 1955, has been applying annual import quotas to certain dairy products through a licensing system. As a result, United States importers cannot apply for licences to import such products from Chile unless they have first obtained the approval of the Office of the Trade Representative in consultation with the Departments of State, Agriculture and Commerce.	
4.	<u>Products covered, including tariff headings</u> (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff lines): Medium-hard cheeses (CCCN: 04.04.02) Hard cheeses (CCCN: 04.04.03)	
5.	<u>Country or countries to which the measure applies:</u> Chile and specified countries	
6.	<u>Grounds for belief that the measure should be subject to the rollback commitment:</u> Chile considers that these measures are discriminatory and in violation of the General Agreement, in particular Articles I, VIII and XIII and Part IV, as well as of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures; they constitute a non-tariff barrier with trade-restrictive effects.	