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Notification by Austria

Addendum

In a communication dated 29 August 1988, the Permanent Mission of Austria has provided the following data on imports of handmade products in 1987 under the Austrian scheme for handmade products together with comparable data for 1984-1986.

General remarks

1. The scheme became operational on 25 April 1975.
2. If not otherwise stated, all figures are given in Austrian schillings. To facilitate conversion into United States dollars, the average exchange rates for 1984-1987 are given below:

1984 - S 100 = US\$5.00; US\$1 = 20.01
1985 - S 100 = US\$4.83; US\$1 = 20.69
1986 - S 100 = US\$6.55; US\$1 = 15.27
1987 - S 100 = US\$7.91; US\$1 = 12.64

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Table I
Statistical breakdown of handicraft imports into Austria
- textile articles and other handicrafts -

	1984	+/- %	1985	+/- %	1986	+/- %	1987
Total imports of handicrafts	194,353.919	- 4,83	184,973.350	- 12,65	161,579.196	+ 19,72	193,447.829
imports of textiles							
- in A.Sh.	137,623.635	- 13,53	119,008.165	- 14,73	101,473.143	+ 32,77	134,721.840
- as percentage of total imports	70,81	-	64,34	-	62,80	-	69,64
imports of other handicrafts							
- in A.Sh.	56,730.284	+ 16,28	65,965.185	- 8,88	60,106.053	- 2,30	58,725.989
as percentage of total imports	29,19	-	35,66	-	37,20	-	30,36

Table II
Statistical breakdown of handicraft imports into Austria
- origin regions -

	1984	+/- %	1985	+/- %	1986	+/- %	1987
Developing countries of Europe							
- imports in A.Sh.	61,831.568	- 12,59	54,045.258	- 5,75	50,937.755	- 5,36	48,208.132
imports as percentage of total imports	31,82	-	29,22	-	31,52	-	24,92
other than Europe							
- in A.Sh.	132,522.351	- 1,20	130,928.092	- 15,49	110,641.441	+ 31,27	145,239.967
as percentage of total imports	68,18	-	70,78	-	68,48	-	75,08
- Asia							
-- in A.Sh.	131,328.114	- 3,08	127,282.884	- 13,85	109,648.467	+ 30,86	143,489.480
as percentage of total imports	67,57	-	68,81	-	67,86	-	74,17
- Africa							
-- in A.Sh.	1,030.433	+ 252,50	3,632.287	- 84,59	559.900	+ 26,46	708.022
as percentage of total imports	0,53	-	1,96	-	0,35	-	0,37
- America							
-- in A.Sh.	163.804	- 92,11	12.921	+ 3.251,71	433.074	+ 140,65	1,042.105
-- as percentage of total imports	0,08	-	0,01	-	0,27	-	0,54

Table III

Statistical breakdown of handicraft imports into Austria

- countries of origin -

Note: The date in column 2 indicates the coming into force of an agreement enabling the country concerned to benefit from the scheme.

	1984	+/- %	1985	+/- %	1986	+/- %	1987
Europe							
12.	-	-	-	-	120.000	-	-
Bulgaria	12. 80	-	-	-	-	-	-
19.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cyprus	8. 83	-	-	-	-	-	-
30.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malta	1. 76	-	-	-	-	-	-
22.	14,800.914	- 11,09	13,160.023	- 16,50	10,989.227	- 38,34	6,775.690
Romania	9. 75						
21.	2,832.741	- 42,27	1,635.210	- 45,69	888.057	- 69,32	272.487
Spain *)	5. 76						
1.	25,412.322	- 19,28	20,513.787	- 9,19	18,628.638	+ 38,65	25,828.046
Turkey	7. 76						
Yugoslavia	18. 6. 75	18,785.591	- 0,26	18,736.238	+ 8,41	20,311.833	- 24,52
							15,331.909

*) This agreement expired May 1, 1986; after this date, special treatment was granted for previous imports only.

	1984	+/- %	1985	+/- %	1986	+/- %	1987
Asia							
Afghanistan	29. 5. 73	619.176 - 67,99	198.872	-	-	-	169.492
Bangladesh	8. 7. 76	645.630 - 64,40	229.836 - 81,09	-	43.473	-	-
PR China	26. 10. 83	11,129.678 + 106,49	22,981.710 - 29,14	-	16,285.311 + 19,63	-	19,482.369
India	3. 10. 75	71,711.207 - 7,47	66,355.875 - 13,33	-	57,509.160 + 17,26	-	67,437.986
Indonesia	27. 1. 78	12.321	-	-	-	82.402 + 128,67	188.425
Iraq	23. 2. 83	-	-	-	-	-	-
Israel	4. 6. 76	-	-	-	-	-	-
Korea, Rep.of	25. 4. 75	1,711.272 + 23,59	2,144.982 + 27,75	-	2,701.831 - 0,74	-	2,681.848
Malaysia	11. 7. 78	76.447 + 118,90	167.346	-	-	-	-
Nepal	27. 3. 78	-	-	-	11.073 - 51,23	-	5.400

		1984	+/- %	1985	+/- %	1986	+/- %	1987
Pakistan	28. 75	36,786.267	- 27,29	26,748.938	- 5,45	25,292.179	+ 69,14	42,778.481
Philippines	24. 76	7,477.179	- 16,56	6,239.188	- 22,72	4,821.782	+ 67,27	8,065.435
Sri Lanka	12. 79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Singapore	6. 76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thailand	14. 76	1,158.937	+ 93,81	2,246.137	+ 29,17	2,901.256	- 7,62	2,680.044
<u>Africa</u>								
Egypt	23. 76	1,030.433	+ 239,68	3,500.167	- 85,65	502.200	- 47,10	265.688
Kenya	30. 75	-	-	132.120	- 56,33	57.000	+ 676,02	442.334
Malawi	25. 76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	25. 87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	1984	+/- %	1985	+/- %	1986	+/- %	1987
Rwanda	19. 12. 77	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	1. 1. 76	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>America</u>							
Argentina	9. 12. 77	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bolivia	3. 10. 77	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chile	2. 6. 78	-	-	-	-	-	-
Costa Rica	30. 1. 80	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	25. 7. 75	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ecuador	24. 11. 76	-	-	-	-	-	-

		1984	+/- %	1985	+/- %	1986	+/- %	1987
Mexico								
1.	46.199	- 86,54	6.218	+ 3.895,61	248.447	- 0,14	248.098	
81.								
19.	117.605	- 94,30	6.703	+ 2.654,39	184.627	+ 330,11	794.097	
79.								
Uruguay								
2.	2.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
9.	9.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
75.	75.	-	-	-	-	-	-	