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BELGIUM'S BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Memorandum submitted by the Belgian delegation

In accordance with the wish expressed by some contracting parties during the examination of the first annual report submitted by Belgium on the use of the waiver granted by the Decision of 3 December 1955, the Belgian delegation has the honour to transmit herewith information concerning the provisions of Belgium's bilateral arrangements regarding the import into Belgium of products to which the waiver applies:

Tariff item number	Products	Amount of quota
	Agreement between the B.L.E.U. and the Federal Republic of Germany. Supplementary Protocol of 1 July 1956. Quotas established for the period 1.7.56 to 30.6.57	
Customs tariff item Nos. 3 and 6	Bovine cattle for breeding, according to conditions laid down by the Belgian Minister of Agriculture	Belg. frs. 7,500,000
50,59,60,61	Fruit and vegetables (import authorized under the Belgian general regulations)	Belg. frs. 2,500,000
68,69,72	Wheat, rye and oats for sowing (300 tons)	Belg. frs. 2,500,000
87	Hops.	650 metric tons of which 100 tons for Luxemburg

Agreement of 10 July 1954 between B.L.E.U. and Italy, valid for one year and subsequently renewed

Item 18	Meat salted, dried or smoked	Belg. frs. 10,000,000
43 a	Cut flowers	Belg. frs. 5,000,000
47	Fresh tomatoes	Unrestricted during the import period fixed by the Belgian Government
50 b 1	Cauliflower	Imports unrestricted 1 December to 1 April
50 d 4	Salads	1250 tons to be imported 1 January to 1 March
ex 50 f	Fresh broad beans and peas	Unrestricted 1 January to 1 June
ex 50 f	French beans	Unrestricted 1 January to 15 June
50 h 2	Fresh vegetables, n.s.m.	Unrestricted during periods fixed by Belgian Government
59 to 61	Other fresh fruits:	
	Peaches	~~Imports unrestricted~~ to 31 July
	Plums	Imports unrestricted to 15 July
	Apples and pears	Imports unrestricted 31 May to 15 July
	Cherries and strawberries	Imports unrestricted to 1 June
ex 48	Onions	Unrestricted 1 February to 1 June
ex 49 a, b	Early potatoes	Unrestricted 1 March to 1 June

Agreement of 8 November 1952 between Belgium and Norway, valid for one year and renewed from year to year by tacit consent

	Fresh sea fish	800 tons
21 a 2 C	Other crustaceans (shrimps)	50,000 Norwegian Kroner

Agreement of 29 April 1955 between B.L.E.U. and Czechoslovakia, valid for one year

Hops	425 tons

Agreement of 20 October 1954 between B.L.E.U. and Sweden, valid for one year and subsequently renewed

Fresh fish (principally salmon and eels)	350,000 Swedish Kroner

Protocol annexed to the trade agreement between B.L.E.U. and France covering the period 1 April 1956 to 31 March 1957

Cauliflower	Imports unrestricted 1 December to 15 April
Spinach	Imports unrestricted 1 January to 1 March
New potatoes	Imports unrestricted to 1 June
Fresh peas	Imports unrestricted 1 October to 15 May
French beans	Imports unrestricted 16 October to 1 June
Tomatoes	Imports unrestricted 1 January to 15 May
Salads	Import quota of 1,300 tons for the period 1 December to 31 March
Peaches	Imports unrestricted to 15 July

Plums	Imports unrestricted to 15 July
Cut flowers	Quota of 450 tons
Hops	Quota of 40 tons

Third Supplementary Protocol to the trade agreement of 1 March 1954 between B.L.E.U. and the People's Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, extended by an exchange of letters. Annual quotas

Hops	150 tons

Trade agreement of 7 August 1956 between B.L.E.U. and Spain, valid for one year

Cut flowers	Belg. frs. 2,000,000
Various salads	450 tons to be imported between 1 January and 31 March

Other fruits and vegetables:

to be imported during periods fixed by the Belgian authorities