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## PRODUCTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO EXPORTS OF LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

### Communication from the Government of Uruguay

The following communication has been received from the Government of Uruguay.

With reference to airgram GATT/AIR/398 dated 4 June 1964 (the paragraph relating to the Sub-Committee on the Participation of the Less-Developed Countries) as well as document TN.64/31 (paragraph 4), I have pleasure in transmitting the following information regarding products to which my country attaches particular importance in connexion with the Kennedy Round negotiations and which accordingly we would not wish to see included in the exceptions lists of the participating countries.

First of all, I enclose herewith an extract from document Spec(64)99 with the list of items therein of interest to Uruguay.

Furthermore, I should like to request the addition of those products mentioned in document L/1662/Rev.1 which are not included in the above-mentioned annex to this letter, as well as the following:

- (a) Meat of animals of the bovine species, salted and jerked beef
- (b) Meat of animals of the bovine species, boned and cooked
- (c) Meat of animals of the ovine species, preserved
- (d) Preserved pork sausages
- (e) Sausages
- (f) Fats and oils for use in industry
- (g) Edible fats and oils
- (h) Dried blood, horsehair and cowhair, fats from bones (ex 15.06 NAB), glues derived from bones, hides, nerves, tendons or from similar products (ex 35.03 NAB), concentrated bile of cows

- (i) Hides and skins of capybara, sea-dog and otter
- (j) Butter
- (k) Cheese
- (l) Precious stones (amethysts and agates), unworked or worked
- (m) Frozen poultry
- (n) Apples and pears
- (o) Tinned fruit and confectionery
- (p) Tinned fish
- (q) Liver meal

We understand that all these products will be subject to the general rules for linear reduction envisaged for the Kennedy Round, in the absence of any decision to the contrary.

As regards the question of which products should be subject to customs duty reductions in excess of 50 per cent, I should like to state that that depends on the charges applied to each item in the various countries, which sometimes vary substantially. Another relevant element of judgment to be taken into account is that often a very marked disparity is found to exist between the duty applicable to a given raw material or foodstuff at the primary processing stage and to the same product when imported after industrial processing.

Clearly, this situation goes against the economic development of the less-developed countries.

In order to arrive at a clearer definition with respect to this subject, it might be of interest to prepare a document carrying on the excellent work set forth in document COM.III/124/Rev.1, which shows the existing customs duties, although only in the ten or fifteen principal markets, with regard to the whole group of products notified by the developing countries. On the basis of a study of this kind, the views expressed by each of the countries could be rationalized. Without prejudice to this, we are in a position to furnish details with respect to Uruguay, while reserving the possibility of adding to them at a later stage and while including only those products which are of definite importance in our external trade.

We request reductions of more than 50 per cent on the following products:

1. Products included in document COM.III/124/Rev.1, listed in the annex to this document

Rice: EEC

Oil-cake: United Kingdom

Tanned hides: EEC, United Kingdom, Sweden, United States and Japan  
Combed wool (tops): United Kingdom, United States  
Yarn of combed wool: EEC, United Kingdom, Sweden, United States, Japan  
Wool cashmere: idem  
(Products of animal origin)  
Intestines and bones: United Kingdom, United States  
Glycerine: Japan  
Meat meal: United Kingdom  
Glands: United Kingdom, United States, Japan  
Casein: EEC, United Kingdom, Japan  
Wool, greasy and washed: United States  
Woollen yarn: EEC, United Kingdom, Sweden, United States and Japan

2. Products not included in document COM.III/124/Rev.1

Meat of bovine animals, boned and cooked: United States  
Meat of bovine animals, frozen and chilled: United Kingdom and EEC  
Meat extracts: EEC  
Meat of bovine animals, preserved, in general: United States and EEC

With respect to the work of the Sub-Committee on Non-Tariff Barriers, I have pleasure in confirming my note DELEGATT/58/II.1 of 29 May last to the effect that document L/1662/Rev.1 includes elements which are useful in connexion with the request made in airgram 343 (see document TN.64/NTB/16). With respect to those products of interest to Uruguay referred to in the first part of this note and which are not included in the list in L/1662/Rev.1, I consider that the work of the GATT secretariat will enable satisfactory attention to be given to non-tariff barriers which should be studied.

I think it is opportune to emphasize the importance which we attach to this aspect of the Kennedy Round; experience has shown us that for the countries which depend to a great extent on trade in agricultural products, it is essential to make progress in the sector of the removal of non-tariff barriers.

LIST OF PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN DOCUMENT SPEC(64)99  
WHICH ARE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO URUGUAY

<u>BTN No.</u>	<u>SITC No.</u>	<u>Description of products</u>
<b>I. <u>Animal and vegetable products; foodstuffs, beverages, etc.</u></b>		
ex 0405	ex 025.0	Eggs: in shell egg yolks
0504	291.9(3)	Other products of animal origin: Guts, bladders and stomachs
0508	291.1(1)	Bones and horn-cores
0509	291.1(2)	Horns, hooves, nails and claws
0802		Citrus fruit, fresh and dried:
	051.1	Oranges, tangerines or mandarins and clementines
		Other citrus fruit
1006		Rice:
	042.1	In the husk or husked
	042.2	Glazed or polished (including broken rice)
1201		Oilseeds:
	221.5	Linseed
	221.8	Other (sunflower)
1507	421.4	Groundnut oil
	421.6	Sunflower seed oil
	422.1	Linseed oil
ex 1511	ex 512.2(6)	Glycerine
ex 2007	ex 053.5	Fruit juices, unfermented
ex 2301	ex 081.4	Meat meal, unfit for human consumption
ex 2304	ex 081.3	Vegetable oil cakes

**II. Mineral products of the chemical, pharmaceutical and related industries;**  
**rubber and rubber articles, etc.**

ex 2515	ex 273.1(2)	Marble
3001	541.6(2)	Organo-therapeutic glands or other organs
ex 3501	ex 599.5(3)	Casein

<u>BTN No.</u>	<u>SITC No.</u>	<u>Description of products</u>
<u>III. Hides and skins, leather and leather articles</u>		
4101		Hides and skins, raw:
	211.1	Bovine and equine hides
	211.2	Calf skins and kipskins
	211.6	Sheep and lamb skins with the wool on
	211.7	Sheep and lamb skins
	211.9	Hides and skins n.e.s.
		Bovine cattle leather and equine leather:
4102	611.3	Calf leather
	611.4	Other
4103	611.9(1)	Sheep and lamb skin leather
4105	ex 611.9(9)	Other kinds of leather
ex 4202	ex 831.0	Travel goods, handbags, wallets, etc.
<u>V. Textiles and textile articles</u>		
5301		Wool, not carded or combed:
	262.1	Greasy or fleece washed
	262.2	Other
ex 5305	267.7	Wool and other animal hairs, carded and combed
5306	651.2(1)	Woollen yarn
5307	651.2(2)	Worsted yarn
ex 5311	ex 653.2(1)	Woollen fabrics
<u>VI. Footwear, umbrellas, etc.</u>		
ex 6402	ex 851.0(2)	Footwear with outer soles of leather