

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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

Communication from the Republic of Niger

The secretariat has received the following communication from the Government of the Republic of Niger.

I have the honour to inform you of the position of the Republic of Niger regarding certain products in which my Government has a special interest.

For the following products, the Government of Niger requests duty-free admission or at least a reduction of more than 50 per cent in import duties:

ex 12.01	-	Groundnuts
		Cotton seed
ex 13.02	-	Gum arabic
ex 23.04	-	Groundnut oilcakes
41.01	-	Raw hides and skins
55.01	-	Cotton
55.02	-	Cotton linters
55.03	-	Cotton waste

As regards the following products, we consider that they should be excluded from exceptions lists:

41.03 B	-	Sheep and lamb skin leather
44.04 B	-	Goat and kid skin leather
ex 42.01	-	Saddlery and harness of hides or skins
ex 42.02	-	Travel goods of hides or skins

My Government's attitude is based on considerations in the national interest.

Our trade is principally based on these products, and if our proposals are not accepted, there is a risk of serious impairment to our balance of payments.