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Inventory of Quantitative Import Restrictions
Applied by Countries Covered by the Joint Working Group

Addendum

UNITED STATES

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Meat and edible offals (02.01)

United States

Argentina Australia Canada New Zealand

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Contingency quotas (not so far applied) and restraints by some supplying countries for imports of meat of cattle (TSUS 106.10) and of meat of goat and sheep, except lamb (TSUS 106.20).

(b) Comments by other countries:

New Zealand considers that restraint action by suppliers acts as a form of restriction.

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

The system of contingency quotas had not yet been applied. There are, however, restraint actions by principal suppliers to the United States between the fourth quarter of 1968 and the second quarter of 1972.

Reference: COM.AG/W/4/Add.3

Product: (BIN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Milk and cream, fresh not concentrated or sweetened (04.01) United States

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Imports of fluid milk and cream, fresh or sour containing over 5.5 per cent but not over 45 per cent butterfat (TSUS 115.20, 115.25) are subject to quotas allocated by country.

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

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Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating

an interest:

Milk and cream,

preserved, concentrated

or sweetened (04.02)

United States

Argentina Australia Austria Brazil New Zealand Philippines

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Imports of milk and cream, condensed or evaporated (TSUS 115.30, 115.35, 115.40), dried milk and cream (TSUS 115.45, 115.50, 115.55, 115.60) and dried whey (TSUS 118.05) are subject to global quotas and quotas allocated by country.

(b) Comments by other countries:

New Zealand: Thinks that consumption is being limited due to artificially high price levels. This is causing increased use of substitute products.

<u>Australia</u>: Disappointed that the United States dairy sector has progressed so little since the waiver was granted on section 22.

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Import restrictions are in conjunction with programmes designed to stabilize supply and demand in the dairy industry, and to stabilize prices and domestic dairy incomes. (Applies also to items 04.03, 04.04, 18.06, 21.07 and 23.07.)

Reference: L/3737

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COM.AG/W/4/Add.l COM.AG/W/72/Add.18

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures: Countries indicating an interest:

Butter (04.03) United States

Argentina

(a) Description:

Imports of butter and fresh or sour cream containing over 45 per cent of butterfat (TSUS 116.00, 116.05, 116.06, 116.10, 116.15, 116.16, 116.20, 116.25, 116.26) and other animal oils, fats and greases, edible, derived from milk (butter oil) (TSUS 177.67 pt.) are subject to global quotas and quotas allocated by country.

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Import restrictions are in conjunction with programmes designed to stabilize supply and demand in the dairy industry, and to stabilize prices and domestic dairy incomes. (Applies also to items 04.02, 04.04, 18.06, 21.07 and 23.07.)

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Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating

an interest:

Cheese and curd

(04.04)

United States

Argentina Israel

United Kingdom

(a) Description:

Imports of certain cheeses [TSUS 117.00, 117.05, 117.15, 117.20, 117.25, 117.40.20, 117.55, 117.60.20 pt. 1, 117.60.40 pt. 1, 117.75, 117.81, 117.85.20, 117.85.40 pt. 1) are subject to global quotas and quotas allocated by country.

(b) Comments by other countries:

<u>United Kingdom</u>: British cheeses are neither dumped nor subsidized. Extension of section 22 waiver to cover this product is in direct contravention of the waiver terms.

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Import restrictions are in conjunction with programmes designed to stabilize supply and demand in the dairy industry, and to stabilize prices and domestic dairy incomes. (Applies also to items 04.02, 04.03, 18.06, 21.07 and 23.07.)

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L/336 (see paragraphs 19 and 22 on the British comment)

Valued under To cents per pound f.o.b. country of origin

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Wheat and meslin (10.01)

United States

Argentina

(a) Description:

Global quotas and quotas allocated by country for imports of wheat classified as fit for human consumption (TSUS 130.70).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

On 25 January 1974, the quotas were temporarily suspended through 30 June 1974. Further action, possibly including indefinite suspension of the quotas, is scheduled to be taken before that date.

Reference: COM. AG/W/4/Add. 2 L/3737

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Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating

an interest:

Cereal flours (11.01)

United States

Argentina

(a) Description:

Global quotas and quotas allocated by country for imports of milled wheat products fit for human consumption (wheat flour) (TSUS 131.40).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

See item 10.01.

Reference: COM.AG/W/4/Add.2

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Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Cereal groats and meal,

United States

Argentina

etc. ... (11.02)

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Clobal quotas and quotas allocated by country for imports of milled wheat products fit for human consumption (semolina) (TSUS 131.40).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

See item 10.01.

Reference: COM.AG/W/4/Add.2 L/3737

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits" (12.01)

United States

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Global quota for imports of peanuts, shelled or unshelled (TSUS 145.20, 145.21, 145.48.70)

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

The United States has a very serious surplus of this product despite the fact that the acreage in peanuts is currently less than one half of that in 1948. The acreage has been held to the legal minimum; but improved growing methods have resulted in higher yields.

Import controls on peanuts are being continued to prevent material interference with United States programmes and operations relating to peanuts.

Reference: COM.AG/W/4/Add.6 L/3737

Product: (BTN)

(12.04)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Sugar beet ...; sugar cane

United States

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Quotas allocated by country for imports of sugar beets and sugar cane in their natural state or suitable for the commercial extraction of sugar (TSUS 155.10, 155.12, 155.15).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(See also item 17.01.)

The United States has no direct restrictions on the importation of sugar beets or sugar cane. Nevertheless, the requirement under the Sugar Act of 1948 that domestically produced sugar marketed in the United States must be made from beets or cane grown in the United States acts indirectly to restrict imports of sugar beets or sugar cane for the production of sugar. These indirect restrictions, however, do not affect imports for other purposes, such as animal feeds.

Reference: COM, AG/W/72/Add.18

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Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures: Countries indicating an interest:

Margarine, imitation lard and other prepared United States

edible fats (15.13)

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Global quotas and quotas allocated by country for imports of butter substitutes containing over 45% butterfats (TSUS 116.30 pt) (butter oils).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Reference: L/3737

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Beet sugar and cane sugar, solid (17.01) United States

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Quotas allocated by country for imports of sugar, derived from sugar beets or sugar cane, dry form (TSUS 155.20, 155.21, 901.00).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Quotas are imposed under the Sugar Act - The United States considers the measure benign in light of the relatively large proportion allocated to foreign suppliers. (See also item 12.04.)

Reference: L/3212/Add.3

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Other sugars; sugar syrups; artificial honey (whether or not mixed with natural honey); caramel (17.02) United States

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Quotas allocated by country for imports of sugar, derived from sugar beets or sugar cane, soluble form (TSUS 155.30, 155.31, 901.00).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Reference: COM.AG/W/72/Add.18

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures: Countries indicating an interest:

Sugar confectionery, United States not containing cocoa (17.04)

Philippines

(a) <u>Description</u>:

Quotas allocated by country for imports of candy not containing cocoa (TSUS 157.10.20).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

As from 1 January 1972, the extension of the Sugar Act of 1948 places quota restrictions on all imports of sweetened chocolate (TSUS 156.30) and candy and confectionery (TSUS 157.10). (Applies also to 18.06.)

Reference: L/3660 and Add.1. COM. AG/W/72/Add. 18

Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures: Countries indicating an interest:

Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa (18.06)

United States

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Philippines United Kingdom

(a) Description:

Global quota for imports of sweetened chocolate (TSUS 156.30) and candy and confectionery containing cocoa (TSU 157.10.40); also quotas allocated by country for sweetened chocolate ("chocolate crumb") (TSUS 156.30) administered separately from the confectionery quota.

(b) Comments by other countries:

United Kingdom: Extension of the section 22 waiver to cover this product is in direct contravention of the waiver terms.

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

As from 1 January 1972, the extension of the Sugar Act of 1948 places quota restrictions on all imports of sweetened chocolate (TSUS 156.30) and candy and confectionery (TSUS 157.10). (Applies also to 17.04.) This quota expires on 31 December 1974 and its extension has been opposed by the United States authorities.

Import restrictions on chocolate crumb, a product containing substantial quantities of butterfat and non-fat milk solids, are in conjunction with programmes designed to stabilize supply and demand in the dairy industry, and to stabilize prices and domestic dairy incomes (Applies also to items 04.02, 04.03, 04.04, 21.07 and 23.02).

Reference: COM.AG/W/4/Add.1

L/3368 (see paragraphs 19 and 22 on the British comment)

L/3660 and Add.1

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Product: (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures: Countries indicating an interest:

Preparations ...

United States

Philippines

used as infant food or for dietary or culinary purposes ... (19.02)

(a) Description:

Global quotas and quotas allocated by country for imports of malted milk and certain articles of milk and cream (TSUS 118.30).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Reference: L/3737 COM.AG/W/72/Add.18

Product: (BIN)

n.e.s. (21.07)

Country or group maintaining measures: Countries indicating an interest:

Food preparations,

United States

Philippines

(a) Description:

Global quotas and quotas allocated by country for imports of ice-cream (TSUS_118.25) and certain edible preparations containing over 5.5% butterfat (TSUS 182.92, 182.93, 182.95.40).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Import restrictions are in conjunction with programmes designed to stabilize supply and demand in the dairy industry, and to stabilize prices and domestic dairy incomes (Applies also to items 04.02, 04.03, 04.04, 18.06 and 23.07).

Reference: COM.AG/W/4/Add.1 COM.AG/W/72/Add.18 L/3737

Product (BTN)

Country or group maintaining measures:

Countries indicating an interest:

Sweetened forage; other preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (23.07) United States

(a) Description:

Global quotas and quotas allocated by country for imports of animal feeds containing milk or milk derivatives (TSUS 184.75 pt.).

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Import restrictions are in conjunction with programmes designed to stabilize supply and demand in the dairy industry, and to stabilize prices and domestic dairy incomes (Applies also to items 04.02, 04.03, 04.04, 18.06 and 21.07).

Reference: COM.AG/W/4/Add.1

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