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

Addendum

CHILE

Note: The notifications relating to BTN items 10.03 and 24.01 have been deleted.

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. In accordance with the legal provisions in force concerning Chilean foreign trade, any natural or legal person may freely import, in any quantity, the goods included in the List of Permitted Imports drawn up by the Ministry of the Economy, Development and Reconstruction after consultation with the Executive — Committee of the Central Bank. This list may be added to or amended at any time by the same procedure. The importation of goods not included in this list is prohibited.

2. The Executive Committee of the Central Bank is authorized to reject all import applications submitted during the previous calendar month relating to one or more items on the List of Permitted Imports, as soon as the total value of the import applications submitted during that month exceeds by more than 5 per cent the monthly average of the applications approved during the preceding twelve months. These import applications constitute an administrative formality for the purposes of statistical control of imports and exchange operations.

3. Chile has bilateral agreements with certain countries. It is a member of the Latin American Free Trade Association and Andean market.

4. The United States showed interest in items 01.05, 02.02, 02.03, 04.01, 04.02, 04.03, 04.04, 10.01, 10.05, 10.06, 11.01 and 24.02. Only these products are included in the list.

- 5. The following symbols have been used:
 - P: Prohibition
 - BQ: Bilateral quota
 - ST: State trading
- References: BOP/147, L/3381 COM.AG/W/72/Add.5

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BTN	Description of goods	Type of restriction	Comments
01.05	Live poultry		Cile: Poultry meat and dairy produce are imported through the Empresa de Comercio Agricola (ECA) (Agricultural Trading Enterprise); this State enterprise body is exempt from payment of customs duties on its imports, so that it may be able to perform its functions of regulating supplies to the domestic market. Imports of skimmed milk powder are also made by the National Health Service, for the exclusive use of the welfare establishments under its authority.
			(Applies also to 02.02, 02.03, 04.01, 04.02, 04.03, 04.04.)
02.02	Dead poultry and edible offal thereof (except liver), fresh, chilled or frozen	ST	See item 01.05
02.03	Poultry liver, fresh, chilled or frezen	ST	See item 01.05
04.01	Milk and cream, fresh, not concentrated or sweetened		See item 01.05
04.02	Milk, preserved, or sweetened	ST	<u>United States</u> : Special reference is made to dried skimmed milk. See item 01.05
04.03	Butter	ST	See item 01.05
04•04	Cheese and curd		See item 01.05

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BTN	Description of goods	Type of restriction	Comments
10.01	Wheat and meslin	BQ, ST	<u>Chile</u> : It is correct that this product may only be imported by the State enterprise entitled the Agricultural Trading Enterprise (ECA) in accordance with the Legislative Decree No. 274. Imports of wheat are made under the Agreement on Agricultural Surpluses concluded between the ECA and the Government of the United States of America.
ex 10.05	Maize for consumption	ST	<u>Chile</u> : Maize and rice are on the List of Permitted Inports. Imports of these cereals made by the Agricultural Trading Enterprise are exempt from customs duties.
ex 10.06	Rice for consumption	st	(Also applies to 10.06) See item 10.05
11.01	Cereal flours	BQ, ST	The products of position 11.01 are not subject to an exclusive import régime by ECA, with the exception of durum flours
ex 24.02	Cigarettes	P	<u>Chile</u> : Cigars and chopped tobacco have been placed on the List of Permitted Imports, in pursuance of Decree No. 741 of 24 July 1970. On the other hand, imports of cigarettes are prohibited because domestic production is sufficient. Nevertheless, cigarettes may be imported int the zones which enjoy special customs treatment such as the Department of Africa and the Provinces of Aysén, Chiloé and Magallanes, but only for local consumption.