

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

MTN/3E/DOG/9/Add.13
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Special Distribution

Multilateral Trade Negotiations

GROUP 3(e) - BASIC DOCUMENTATION

Inventory of Sanitary and Phytosanitary
Regulations Notified

Addendum

NIGERIA

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Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Vegetables, fresh or chilled (07.01)	Nigeria	Canada

(a) Description:

Health and sanitary measure for onions

Phytosanitary certificate against smut is required.

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

The Inter African Phytosanitary Commission (I.A.P.S.C.) in their memorandum for phytosanitary procedure in Africa, recommended that while importing *Allium* sp. (leek, onion, garlic, shallots and chives) the following principal diseases, as yet, unknown in West Africa, should be avoided:

- (i) Onion smut caused by Urocystis cepulae frost
- (ii) White rot caused by Sclerotium cepivorum Berk
- (iii) Yellow dwarf virus Bigarrure jaune
- (iv) Mosaic virus.

Onion smut is known to occur in Morocco (the only country where it exists in Africa), India, Japan, USSR, Australia, New Zealand, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Greece, Holland, Italy, Northern Ireland, Poland, Romania, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, Puerto Rico, Trinidad, Canada, United States and Peru.

Onion smut is a devastating disease and we wish to ensure that we do not introduce it from countries where it is known to occur.