ARTICLE 8 OF THE AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURE

1.1 Text of Article 8

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*Export Competition Commitments*

Each Member undertakes not to provide export subsidies otherwise than in conformity with this Agreement and with the commitments as specified in that Member's Schedule.

1.2 Waivers from export subsidy commitments

1. On 22 October 1997, the General Council decided to grant Hungary a limited waiver from its export subsidy commitments until 31 December 2001, in accordance with Article IX of the Marrakesh Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization.¹

1.3 Changes in export subsidy commitments pursuant to the December 2015 Ministerial Decision on Export Competition²

2. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Australia was circulated on 22 February 2017³ and certified without any change as of 22 May 2017.⁴

3. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by the European Union was circulated on 17 October 2017⁵ as part of a wider change of schedule exercise.

4. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Norway was circulated on 28 November 2017⁶ and certified without any change as of 28 February 2018.⁷

5. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Israel was circulated on 11 December 2017⁸ and certified without any change as of 28 February 2018.⁹

6. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Canada was circulated on 11 December 2017.¹⁰

7. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by South Africa was circulated on 2 March 2018, followed by two subsequent communications.¹¹ As a result, South Africa's export subsidies Schedule was revised and certified without any change in two steps.¹²

¹ WT/L/238. The waiver settled the dispute on Hungary – Agricultural Products (WT/DS35/1).
² WT/MIN(15)/45. See also section 1.6 of the document on Article 20 of the Agreement on Agriculture (Practice).
³ G/MA/TAR/RS/454.
⁴ WT/LET/1262.
⁵ G/MA/TAR/RS/506.
⁶ G/MA/TAR/RS/507.
⁷ WT/LET/1342.
⁸ G/MA/TAR/RS/511.
⁹ WT/LET/1348.
¹⁰ G/MA/TAR/RS/512.
¹² WT/LET/1416 and WT/LET/1422.
8. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Switzerland was circulated on 2 May 2018\(^{13}\) and certified without any change as of 2 August 2018.\(^{14}\)

9. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Colombia was circulated on 22 June 2018\(^{15}\) and certified without any change as of 22 September 2018.\(^{16}\)

10. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Uruguay was circulated on 26 June 2018\(^{17}\) and certified without any change as of 26 September 2018.\(^{18}\)

11. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by the United States was circulated on 8 August 2018\(^{19}\) and certified without any change as of 8 November 2018.\(^{20}\)

12. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Mexico was circulated on 10 January 2019\(^{21}\) and certified without any change as of 10 April 2019.\(^{22}\)

13. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Iceland was circulated on 15 March 2019\(^{23}\) and certified without any change as of 15 June 2019.\(^{24}\)

14. A draft revised export subsidies Schedule (Part IV, section 2) by Turkey was circulated on 18 June 2019\(^{25}\) and certified without any change as of 18 September 2019.\(^{26}\)

Current as of: March 2020

\(^{13}\) G/MA/TAR/RS/539.
\(^{14}\) WT/LET/1385.
\(^{15}\) G/MA/TAR/RS/566.
\(^{16}\) WT/LET/1411.
\(^{17}\) G/MA/TAR/RS/567.
\(^{18}\) WT/LET/1413.
\(^{19}\) G/MA/TAR/RS/571.
\(^{20}\) WT/LET/1418.
\(^{21}\) G/MA/TAR/RS/578.
\(^{22}\) WT/LET/1430.
\(^{23}\) G/MA/TAR/RS/584.
\(^{24}\) WT/LET/1440.
\(^{25}\) G/MA/TAR/RS/588.
\(^{26}\) WT/LET/1446.