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NOTIFICATION BY SWITZERLAND

With reference to GATT/AIR/1711, the following communication, dated 8 May 1981, has been received from the delegation of Switzerland.

By an Ordinance dated 15 December 1980 (see annex) the price supplements charged on imports of edible oils and fats have been increased as from 1 January 1981. This most recent adjustment, the preceding one having taken place on 26 August 1977, was found necessary because of the increase in the butter price in Switzerland on the same date; it takes account of the trend in world prices of the principal edible oils and fats.

It may be recalled that Switzerland's policy in this regard (see document MTN/3E/DOC/2/Add.22, page 6) is designed to maintain a certain balance in the shares of the market accruing to vegetable fats, on the one hand, and to competing animal fats, on the other. To that end, the price supplements allow an appropriate relationship to be maintained between the prices of vegetable fats and oils, which are not subject to any quantitative import restrictions, and those of butter.

AnnexORDINANCE CONCERNING PRICE SUPPLEMENTS ON EDIBLE OILS AND FATSAmendment of 15 December 1980

The Swiss Federal Council hereby decides the following:

I. The Ordinance of 1 November 1963 concerning price supplements on edible oils and fats shall be amended as follows:

Article 1, paragraph 1

The Swiss Co-operative Society for Grains and Fodder and, at its request, the Import and Export Division of the Federal Department for the Public Economy shall charge on imports of edible oils and fats, and likewise of raw materials and semi-finished products used in their manufacture, the following price supplements fixed according to average yield:

Tariff heading No.	Product	Yield per 100 kg. of raw material		Theoretical average tare	Price supplement per 100 kg. of gross weight after customs clearance
		Oil/re-fined fat	Oil-cake		
	I	%	%	%	Sw F
	Oilseeds and oleaginous fruit for the manufacture of edible oils and fats:				
	- for pressing-mills:				
ex 1201.10	- unroasted groundnuts	37	58	1.4	59.20
ex 20	- copra	53	42	2	84.35
ex 30	-(sesamum seeds	45	50	2	71.60
	-(colza seeds	37	58	2	58.85
	- (palm kernels	37	58	1.4	59.20
ex 50	-(soyabean	12	83	2	19.05
	-(sunflower seeds, unshelled	32	53	0	51.90
	- for extraction plants:				
ex 1201.10	- unroasted groundnuts	42	53	1.4	67.20
ex 20	- copra	58	37	2	92.30
ex 30	-(sesamum seeds	50	45	2	79.55
	-(colza seeds	42	53	2	66.80
	- (palm kernels	42	53	1.4	67.20
ex 50	-(soyabean	17	78	2	27.00
	-(sunflower seeds, unshelled	37	48	0	60.05

Tariff heading No.	Product	Yield per 100 kg. of raw material	Theoretical average tare	Price supplement per 100 kg. of gross weight after customs clearance
		%	%	Sw F
	II Fixed vegetable oils, fluid or solid, for human consumption:			
	- crude, for the manufacture of edible oils and fats:			
ex 1507.10/12	- coconut (copra) oil	92	12	133.40
	- palm-kernel and babassu oil	94	12	136.30
ex 30	- palm oil	86	12	124.70
ex 30/32	- other	94	12	136.30
	- purified, for the manufacture of edible oils and fats:			
ex 1507.10/12	- coconut (copra), palm-kernel and babassu oils	97	12	140.65
ex 30/32	- other	97	12	140.65
	- refined:			
ex 1507.12	- coconut (copra), palm-kernel and babassu oils			
	- in metal drums or in tanks	100	12	145.00
	- in other containers	100	4	156.15
20/22	- olive oil	100	12	145.00
ex 30/32	- other:			
	- palm oil, in solid state but not hydrogenated, whether or not partly:			
	- in metal drums or in tanks	100	12	145.00
	- in other containers	100	4	156.15
	- all other, regardless of type of packaging	100	12	145.00

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		%	%	Sw F
	III			
	Animal fats and oils for human consumption:			
ex 1501.22	- poultry fat, rendered or solvent-extracted	100	12	145.00
ex 1502.20	- fats of bovine cattle, sheep or goats, unrendered; rendered or solvent-extracted fats (including "premier jus") obtained from those unrendered fats	100	12	145.00
ex 1503.20	- lard stearin, oleostearin and tallow stearin; lard oil, oleo-oil and tallow oil, not emulsified or mixed or prepared in any way	100	12	145.00
ex 1504.10	- fats and oils of fish or marine mammals, crude or purified, whether or not refined	100	12	145.00
ex 1506.10	- other animal oils and fats (including neat's-foot oil and fats from bones or waste)	100	12	145.00
	IV			
	Animal or vegetable oils and fats, wholly or partly hydrogenated, whether or not refined, but not further prepared, for human consumption:			
	- purified, with a view to refining:			
ex 1512.10	- coconut oil and palm-kernel oil	97	12	140.65
	- other:			
1512.12	- for use in the manufacture of edible fats	97	12	140.65
ex 14	- other	97	12	140.65
	- refined:			
ex 1512.10	- coconut oil and palm-kernel oil:			
	- in metal drums or in tanks	100	12	145.00
	- in other containers	100	4	156.15

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1512.12	- other: - for use in the manufacture of edible fats: - in metal drums or in tanks - in other packaging	100 100	12 4	145.00 156.15
ex 14	- other: - in metal drums or in tanks - in other packaging	100 100	12 4	145.00 156.15
ex 1513.01	V Margarine, imitation lard and other prepared edible fats: - not containing butterfat: - in metal drums or in tanks - in other packaging - with a butterfat content of: - not more than 10 per cent - more than 10 but not more than 20 per cent - more than 20 but not more than 30 per cent - more than 30 but not more than 40 per cent - more than 40 but not more than 50 per cent - more than 50 but not more than 60 per cent - more than 60 but not more than 70 per cent - more than 70 but not more than 80 per cent - more than 80 but not more than 90 per cent - more than 90 but not more than 99 per cent	100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	12 4 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	145.00 156.15 180.50 216.00 251.50 287.00 322.50 358.00 393.50 429.00 464.50 496.45

II. The present amendment shall enter into force on 1 January 1981.

15 December 1980

In the name of the Swiss Federal Council:

The President of the Confederation,
Chevallaz

The Chancellor of the Confederation,
Huber