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Eleventh Annual Report (1965) by Australia

The following report is submitted in accordance with the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 24 October 1953 as amended by the Decisions of 13 November 1956 and 30 May 1959. The Decision requires the Government of Australia to report annually to the CONTRACTING PARTIES on the measures taken, and on the effects of those measures on the trade of Papua/New Guinea and on imports into Australia of the products affected.

Measures taken since the Tenth Annual Report

No measures have been taken under the terms of the Decision since the Tenth Annual Report.

Measures taken prior to the Tenth Annual Report

Previous measures taken under the terms of the Decision were:

<u>Tariff Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Measure Taken</u>
16(D)(1)	Passionfruit juice, in containers of less than one gallon	Increase of preferential and m.f.n. rates of duty while retaining duty-free entry for imports from Papua/New Guinea
16(D)(2)	Passionfruit juice, otherwise	
43(A)(1)	Raw coffee, including such coffee which has merely been kiln dried	
54(D)(1)	Passionfruit pulp, in containers of less than one gallon	
54(D)(2)	Passionfruit pulp, otherwise	
78(F)	Roasted peanuts	
92(E)	Groundnuts (peanuts) and groundnut kernels, not roasted	

<u>Tariff Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Measure Taken</u>
* 291(C)(1)	Logs, in rough, to make plywood and veneers	Grant of duty-free entry when imported from Papua/New Guinea (formerly dutiable)
291(I)(2)	Timber, undressed, cut to size for making boxes	
291(K)(2)	Timber, bent or cut into shape, dressed or partly dressed, NEI	
291(L)(2)) 291(L)(3))	Timber, planed, tongued, grooved, rebated, chamfered, V-jointed, centre V-jointed, beaded, centre beaded, or the like but not further manufactured	(i) Grant of duty-free entry when imported from Papua/New Guinea (formerly dutiable)
292(G)(2) (now includes former item 292(H))	Timber beadings and mouldings, including moulded skirting and other moulded boards	(ii) Increased preferential and m.f.n. rates of duty while retaining duty-free entry for imports from Papua/New Guinea
293(B)	Doors of wood (including fly doors) wholly or partly made up	Grant of duty-free entry when imported from Papua/New Guinea (formerly dutiable)

Effects on trade

Imports into Australia of the above items over the four years 1960/61, 1961/62, 1962/63 and 1963/64 have been as follows:

Item	Country	1960/61		1961/62		1962/63		1963/64	
		Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000
16(D)(1)	<u>Passionfruit juice in containers of less than one gallon</u>								
		'000 gals		'000 gals		'000 gals		'000 gals	
	New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
	South Africa	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
	Kenya	2	2	2	2	9	8	7	7
	Total	2	2	2	2	10	9	8	9

* The duties applicable under sub-item 291(C)(1)(b) to peeler logs from sources other than Papua/New Guinea were reduced as from 13 January 1964. With this reduction, the preference involved in the duty-free admission under tariff item 291(C)(1) of peeler logs from Papua/New Guinea is consistent with the provisions of paragraph 4(b) of Article I of the General Agreement.

Item	Country	1960/61		1961/62		1962/63		1963/64	
		Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000
16(D)(2) <u>Passionfruit juice, otherwise</u>									
		'000 gals		'000 gals		'000 gals		'000 gals	
	New Guinea	23	47	38	70	22	37	46	97
	South Africa	-	-	7	6	-	-	8	10
	Total	23	47	45	76	22	37	54	107

43(A)(1) <u>Coffee, raw and kiln dried</u>									
		'000 lbs		'000 lbs		'000 lbs		'000 lbs	
	New Guinea	4,630	1,006	5,164	1,069	6,152	1,179	7,682	1,421
	Papua	49	5	36	6	297	58	156	27
	S. Arabia	268	46	247	41	322	52	199	37
	Kenya	2,120	362	418	71	979	140	318	57
	Tanganyika	1,625	236	684	98	831	100	1,221	162
	Uganda	13,121	1,119	7,194	594	8,218	802	8,353	1,235
	Brazil	1,816	250	2,577	252	4,686	421	9,137	922
	Colombia	744	128	800	131	-	-	305	73
	Ethiopia	238	40	307	52	193	30	246	43
	Indonesia	348	33	648	52	758	63	1,336	168
	Other countries	544	86	2,007	196	1,366	198	647	99
	Total	25,503	3,311	20,082	2,562	23,802	3,043	29,600	4,244

54(D)(1) <u>Passionfruit pulp in containers of less than 1 gallon</u>									
		'000 gals		'000 gals		'000 gals		'000 gals	
	Kenya	-	-	Neg.	Neg.	1	1	Neg.	Neg.

54(D)(2) <u>Passionfruit pulp - otherwise</u>									
		'000 lbs		'000 lbs		'000 lbs		'000 lbs	
	New Guinea	42	6	10	18	3	4	-	-

Item	Country	1960/61		1961/62		1962/63		1963/64	
		Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000
ex 78(F)	<u>Peanut kernels</u> (to 11 May 1961 - thereafter recorded under "Roasted peanuts" or "Groundnuts and groundnut kernels, not roasted")								
		'000							
		lbs							
	Papua/New Guinea	3,862	252						
	China (Mainland)	1	Neg.						
	Other countries	4	1						
	Total	3,867	253						
ex 78(F)	<u>Peanuts unshelled</u> (to 11 May 1961 - thereafter recorded under "Roasted peanuts" or "Groundnuts and groundnut kernels, not roasted")								
		'000							
		lbs							
	Papua/New Guinea	67	4						
78(F)	<u>Roasted peanuts</u> (from 12 May 1961 - previously recorded as "Peanut kernels" or "Peanuts unshelled")								
		'000		'000		'000		'000	
		lbs		lbs		lbs		lbs	
	New Guinea	-	-	34	2	-	-	-	-
	Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1
	United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1
	Other countries	-	-	2	Neg.	8	1	3	Neg.
	Total	-	-	36	2	8	1	12	2
92(E)	<u>Groundnuts (peanuts) and groundnut kernels, not roasted</u> (from 12 May 1961 previously recorded as "Peanut kernels" or "Peanuts unshelled")								
		'000		'000		'000		'000	
		lbs		lbs		lbs		lbs	
	Papua/New Guinea	109	7	6,654	263	4,696	303	4,371	265
	UK	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	1
	China (Mainland)	-	-	-	-	-	-	224	12
	India	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	19
	Other countries	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	Neg.
	Total	109	7	6,654	263	4,696	303	5,014	297

Item	Country	1960/61		1961/62		1962/63		1963/64	
		Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000
<u>291(I)(2) Timber, undressed, cut to size for making boxes</u>									
		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.	
	Singapore	-	-	-	-	89	5	241	15
	New Zealand	491	31	557	41	390	26	228	16
	Malaya	75	2	56	2	51	2	27	1
	Total	566	33	613	43	530	33	496	32
<u>291(K)(2) Timber, bent or cut into shape, dressed or partly dressed, NEI</u>									
		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.	
	New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	1
	Other countries	1	1	Neg.	Neg.	38	6	Neg.	Neg.
	Total	1	1	Neg.	Neg.	38	6	9	1
<u>291(L)(2) * Timber, planed, tongued, grooved, rebated, chamfered, V-jointed, centre</u>									
<u>291(L)(3) * V-jointed, beaded, centre-beaded or the like but not further manu-</u>									
<u>factured (until 13 January 1964 recorded as "Timber, dressed or</u>									
<u>moulded, NEI timber tongued or grooved; weatherboards")</u>									
		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.	
	New Guinea	-	-	23	3	89	9	111	13
	Papua	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	8
	Sweden	3,129	217	1,938	125	1,742	115	633	42
	Finland	5,843	381	3,289	207	4,532	284	1,715	107
	Norway	3,243	227	937	67	1,744	123	976	65
	New Zealand	287	17	161	13	101	9	152	12
	Canada	531	20	429	16	297	15	318	16
	United States	114	21	390	87	302	54	55	20
	Philippines	-	-	-	-	-	-	91	10
	Other countries	28	2	25	5	70	8	37	4
	Total	13,175	885	7,191	523	8,877	617	4,118	297

* Note: On 13 January 1964 Item 291(L)(2) was subdivided into 291(L)(2) and 291(L)(3).

Item	Country	1960/61		1961/62		1962/63		1963/64	
		Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000
292(G)(2)	Timber beadings and mouldings (previously recorded as "Architraves, mouldings NEI skirtings and room mouldings")								
		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.		'000 sup. ft.	
	New Guinea	-	-	3	1	13	2	65	1
	Papua	-	-	-	-	-	-	137	1
	New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Japan	7	Neg.	-	-	2	Neg.	5	Neg.
	Bel./Lux.	2	1	2	1	6	2	4	1
	Netherlands	2	1	14	1	Neg.	Neg.	7	1
	Norway	-	-	-	-	10	2	12	2
	United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	1
	Germany, Fed. Rep. of	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	1
	South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	139	3
	United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	Neg.
	Other countries	2	Neg.	2	1	5	1	4	1
	Total	13	2	21	4	36	7	426	12
293(B)	Doors of wood (including fly doors), wholly or partly made up								
	Japan		5		3		7		20
	Other countries		Neg.		Neg.		Neg.		1
	Total		5		3		7		21

Sources: Commonwealth Statistician
Commonwealth Imports Cleared for Home Consumption

Exports of passionfruit pulp and juice, peanuts and timber (other than plywood and veneers) from Papua and New Guinea during the past four years have been as follows:

Exports - Papua and New Guinea

Commodity	Destination	1960/61		1961/62		1962/63		1963/64	
		Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000	Q'ty	Value £A'000
		'000 lbs		'000 lbs		'000 lbs		'000 lbs	
Passion- fruit pulp	Australia	42	6	123	17	23	3	Nil	Nil
	Total	42	6	123	17	23	3	Nil	Nil
Passion- fruit juice	Australia	263	51	370	72	193	37	528	103
	Total	263	51	370	72	193	37	528	103
Peanuts	Australia	40	279	43	296	55	292	34	284
Green	Netherlands	Neg.	1	Neg.	2	-	-	Neg.	Neg.
	New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-	Neg.	2
	Other countries	-	-	1	7	Neg.	1	-	-
	Total	40	280	44	305	55	293	34	286
Sawn timber	Australia	3,276	216	2,176	158	3,810	268	4,363	341
	United States	18	1	11	Neg.	-	-	3	Neg.
	British Solomon Is.	111	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Japan	-	-	246	28	-	-	137	4
	Gil. and Ellis. Is.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	New Hebrides	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	New Zealand	-	-	204	5	-	-	-	-
	Fiji	-	-	-	-	-	-	78	5
	Caroline Is.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	Neg.
	Other countries	-	-	-	-	247	26	-	-
	Total	3,413	225	2,737	191	4,057	294	4,582	350

Source: Territory of Papua and New Guinea, Overseas Trade