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Addendum

NETHERLANDS

The present notification is submitted in compliance with paragraph (b) of the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES at the twentieth session (document L/2284) and refers to measures in force in the Netherlands as of 31 January 1967.<sup>1</sup>

As far as national arrangements are within the purview of Community obligations, the notification in this respect will be taken care of by the European Commission on behalf of the Community.

I. Flax fibre

As compared to the market situation set forth in L/2601/Add.16 (the notification per 31 January 1966), conditions for this product have not changed considerably. For this reason the subsidy referred to in the previous notification has been maintained.

For the 1966 crop the amount of the subsidy remained the same as for the 1965 crop, i.e. f. 25.00 per metric ton of processed domestic straw flax.

The total sum involved for 1965 is estimated to amount to approximately f. 1,600,000. For 1966 an amount of the same order has been foreseen.

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<sup>1</sup>The complete notification for 1966 is in L/2601/Add.16.

Statistics	Crop year	
	1964	1965
	(metric tons)	
Production of straw flax	257,908	174,089
Manufacture of straw flax in the Netherlands industry	67,300	64,400
Export of straw flax	190,600	109,679
Import of straw flax	-	-
Production of long fibres	9,422	9,340
Export of long fibres	12,448	13,505
Import of long fibres	5,242	4,604

## II. Sugar and sugar beets

The description given in the notification per 1 January 1966 is still valid.

The guaranteed price for sugar ex factory, which for the 1964-65 crop amounted to f. 75.30 per 100 kgs. of white sugar, was for the 1965-66 and the 1966-67 crops fixed at f. 75.55 and f. 78.95 per 100 kgs. respectively. All prices mentioned above correspond to one single sugar beet price: f. 65 per metric ton.

The price guarantee is applied to a quantity corresponding to the quantity of sugar consumed on the domestic market.

In order to safeguard the price guarantee a levy on the importation of raw and refined sugar is imposed. This levy, which in 1965 still amounted to f. 40 per 100 kgs., was increased to f. 50 per 100 kgs. in 1966. Since then the levy has remained unchanged.

