

RESTRICTED

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

### Notification by Japan

#### Addendum

For the information of contracting parties the delegation of Japan has notified in a communication dated 2 May improvements and modifications made in its GSP scheme for the 1983 fiscal year starting 1 April.

#### Improvements and modifications in the 1983 fiscal year

##### 1. Beneficiaries

(1) St. Lucia, Tonga, Dominica and Vanuatu (New Hebrides) have been extended beneficiary country status as from 1 April 1983. Those countries were previously treated as beneficiary territories. For FY 1983 the number of beneficiary countries is 122 and that of beneficiary territories is 24, compared with 118 and 28 respectively in FY 1982.

(2) Equatorial Guinea, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone and Togo have been extended "least developed country" status as from 1 April 1983. For FY 1983 the number of "least developed countries" is 34, compared with 30 in FY 1982.

##### 2. Tariff reduction (GSP)

Tariff Item Number	Description	GSP rates	
		FY 1983	FY 1982
08.05-4ex	Sweet almonds	3 %	5 %
20.02-2(2)ex	Ripe olive, in airtight container not more than 10 kg each including container	7 %	11.6 %
20.06-2(2)ex	Macademia nuts other than those in pulp form	8 %	10 %
20.07-2(2)ex	Mixed vegetable juice, not containing added sugar, in airtight container	9 %	12 %

Tariff Item Number	Description	GSP rates	
		FY 1983	FY 1982
20.07-2(2)ex	Mixed vegetable juice, not containing added sugar, excluding those in airtight container	7 %	10.7 %
20.07-2(2)ex	Other vegetable juice, excluding tomato juice, not containing added sugar, excluding those in airtight container	10 %	12 %
21.07-2(1)ex	Peanut butter, con- taining added sugar	20 %	25 %
21.07-2(2)Aex	Bases for beverage, non-alcoholic, not containing added sugar, containing panax ginseng on its extract	16 %	19.7 %
22.05-2ex	Wine of fresh grapes; grape must with fermenta- tion arrested by the addition of alcohol, in containers of a capacity exceeding 150 l.	40 yen/l	60 yen/l

Note: The least developed countries have been given duty-free entry for all the 9 items listed above.

### 3. Product exclusions for Hong Kong

The following two items have been removed from the list of items with respect to which Hong Kong is not given the benefit of Japan's GSP. As a result, Hong Kong can now enjoy GSP treatment for these items.

Tariff Item Number	Description
67.02	Artificial flowers, foliage or fruit and parts thereof; articles made of artificial flowers, foliage or fruit
97.03	Toys, working models of a kind used for recreational purposes, other than wheeled toys designed to be ridden by children, dolls' pram, dolls' push chairs and dolls

### 4. Modifications in ceiling control

Some modifications with respect to ceiling control have been made, details of which are given in the attachment.

ATTACHMENT

Modification of the ceiling control (FY 1983)

(1): Product group number; (2): Tariff item number; (3): Calculation of ceilings (A=Basic quota in 1977+Supplementary quota, B=Basic quota in 1968x1.50+Supplementary quota, C=Basic quota in 1968+Supplementary quota); (4): Control of ceilings (M=monthly control, D=daily control, O=prior allotment); (5): "0"=flexible administration of ceilings; (6): "0"=flexible administration of maximum country amount.

FY 1982			FY 1983			Increase or Decrease											
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
6	28.17-1	B	D			6	28.17-1	B	M			+1	-1				
13-2	29.27	A	M	0	0	13-2	29.27	A	M	0							-1
31-2	39.02-2	A	M	0	0	31-2	39.02-2	A	M								-1
57-2	ex 44.24*	A	M	0	0	57-2	ex 44.24*	A	M								-1
116	62.03	B	D			116	62.03	B	M			+1	-1				
126	67.02	A	D			126	67.02	B	D								
135	71.02-2(2)	A	M	0	0	135	71.02-2(2)	A	M	0	0	-1	+1				+1
151	76.01-1(1)	C	O		0	151	76.01-1(1)	B	O		0	+1					+1
167	85.18	B	M	0	0	167	85.18	A	M		0	+1	-1				+1
168	ex 85.19-2**	B	M	0	0	168	ex 85.19-2**	A	M		0	+1	-1				+1
187	97.02	A	D		0	187	97.02	A	M		0						-1
188	97.03	A	D			188	97.03	B	D			-1	+1				+1
		Increase or decrease				+2	0	+3	-1	+3	-3	+2	-2	+1			
		FY 1982				194	124	63	7	134	44	16	112	131			
		FY 1983				196	124	66	6	137	41	18	110	132			

\*Waribashi (disposable chopsticks).  
\*\*Fixed or variable resistors and parts thereof, switch-boards or parts of control panels.