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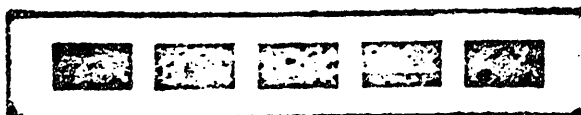
Notification of Fees on Sugar

The following communication, dated 10 March 1978, has been submitted by the United States mission in Geneva.

On 25 November 1977, the United States notified the Contracting Parties that, in accordance with the provisions of the "Waiver granted to the United States in connexion with import restrictions imposed under Section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, as amended," (3 BISD 32, 1955) the President had determined that fees were required under Section 22 to be imposed on imports of certain sugars, syrups and molasses, derived from sugar cane or sugar beets, classified under items 155.20 and 155.30 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States (TSUS) and Schedule XX to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (L/4612 of 9 December 1977). This determination was made in Proclamation 4538 of 11 November 1977, the text of which appears as Annex I to the United States notification.

These fees were found necessary to ensure the effectiveness of the domestic price support programme required by law to maintain the domestic price of sugar at or above 13.5 cents per pound raw sugar equivalent. (Section 902, Food and Agriculture Act of 1977, Public Law 95-113, 29 September 1977.)

The President of the United States determined on 20 January 1978, that the fee system as announced in Proclamation 4538 was insufficient to carry out the requirements of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977, and he therefore modified it on that date. (The details of this action are set forth in Proclamation 4547, which will be submitted shortly.)



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