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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EFTA COUNTRIES AND SPAIN

Questions and Replies

Addendum

The contracting parties were invited (document C/M/138 and GATT/AIR/1608) to communicate to the secretariat any questions they might wish to put concerning the Agreement between the EFTA countries and Spain.¹ In response to this request, a number of questions were received and were transmitted to the parties to the Agreement. The replies to these questions have been circulated in document L/4986. Replies to some of the statistical questions which are not included in document L/4986, as well as revised Tables I, VII and IX, are circulated as an addendum.

¹Copies of the text of the Agreement were sent to each contracting party with document L/4867/Add.1.

ANNEX I

Statistical Annex on Trade Between the EFTA Countries and Spain

1. Table I has been somewhat revised, using OECD series A for all figures.
2. In Table VII (Revised), the Spanish imports of agricultural products from the EFTA countries covered by the bilateral agricultural agreements have been included.
3. The coverage of List B of Annex II has been included in Table IX (Revised).
4. Table X shows the coverage of the provisions of Annex P for tariff cuts on imports from Spain to Portugal.
5. The quantitative restrictions the EFTA countries may apply according to Annex IV of the Agreement have a marginal impact on trade. In 1978 only Portugal imported products from Spain falling under restrictions mentioned in Annex IV. These imports amounted to \$15 million or 5 per cent of total imports from Spain.
6. Table XI shows the trade in 1978 in products mentioned in the Lists A, B and C of Annex V to the Agreement for which Spain may apply quantitative restrictions.
7. To give a simplified presentation of the total coverage of the EFTA-Spain Trade Agreement, Table XII sets out the total coverage of the Agreement for the imports to each country and for the average of the trade flows between Spain and the EFTA countries. It shows that on average some 90 per cent of total trade will be covered by the Agreement. The table also summarizes the tariff cuts on imports of mineral and industrial products, showing that on average tariffs will be cut on the commencing date on 95 per cent of imports to EFTA countries (excluding Portugal) from Spain and on 87 per cent of imports to Spain from EFTA countries.

SPANISH TRADE WITH EFTA COUNTRIES

TABLE I

(in million US dollars)

	Year	Austria	Finland	Iceland	Norway	Portugal	Sweden	Switzerland	EFTA
Imports (c.i.f.)*	1976	82.0	72.9	9.0	56.0	39.7	303.1	309.2	871.9
	1977	87.8	78.2	11.9	62.2	44.5	254.2	305.1	843.9
	1978	86.8	80.4	16.7	59.0	55.4	266.6	356.0	920.9
Exports (f.o.b.)*	1976	34.8	100.4	3.1	41.9	188.6	107.2	139.9	615.9
	1977	47.3	88.0	1.6	55.3	233.6	109.3	156.8	691.9
	1978	53.5	57.6	2.4	61.3	265.8	149.9	232.7	823.2
EFTA countries imports from Spain	1976	48.2	103.6	3.8	62.0	204.4	160.5	159.3	741.8
	1977	66.1	102.6	2.6	62.5	239.7	153.3	180.8	807.6
	1978	71.0	75.0	3.9	79.7	281.0	180.0	248.0	938.6
EFTA countries exports to Spain	1976	71.0	65.0	10.3	49.5	38.0	267.7	358.2	859.7
	1977	76.5	67.3	10.8	58.7	42.9	240.6	355.5	852.3
	1978	72.0	72.0	16.6	49.8	53.0	234.0	422.0	919.4

Spain reporting

EFTA countries reporting

COVERAGE OF ARTICLE 2
SPANISH IMPORTS FROM EFTA COUNTRIES

Table VII (Rev.)

	AUSTRIA		FINLAND		ICELAND		NORWAY		PORTUGAL		SWEDEN		SWITZERLAND	
	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent
1 Imports of mineral and industrial goods ch. 25-99 (all covered)	83,526	100.0	74,062	100.0	875	100.0	50,572	100.0	44,694	100.0	259,831	100.0	368,284	100.0
2 Imports of fish, ch.03	-	100.0	160	100.0	15,240	100.0	6,155	100.0	2,902	100.0	22	100.0	1	100.0
3 Coverage fish (list D of Annex II, ch. 03) ($\frac{3}{2}$)	-	-	-	-	15,222	99.9	5,528	89.8	618	21.3	6	27.3	1	100.0
4 Imports of agricultural products, ch.0-24 exc. 03	3,251	100.0	6,143	100.0	572	100.0	2,329	100.0	7,787	100.0	6,744	100.0	8,302	100.0
5 Processed agricultural products (list C of Annex II, below ch.25)	14	0.4	286	4.6	-	-	291	12.5	20	0.3	245	3.6	738	8.9
6 Duty free	123	3.8	-	-	-	-	9	0.4	1,701	21.8	305	4.5	134	1.6
7 Bilateral concessions	284	8.7	159	2.6	-	-	118	5.0	4,078	52.4	2,945	43.7	1,589	19.1
8 List D, other than ch.03	19	0.6	103	1.7	571	99.8	454	19.5	767	9.8	165	2.4	8	0.1
9 Coverage agricultural imports ($\frac{5+6+7+8}{4}$)	440	13.5	548	8.9	571	99.8	872	37.4	6,566	84.3	3,660	54.2	2,469	29.7
10 Total imports	86,777	100.0	80,365	100.0	16,687	100.0	59,056	100.0	55,383	100.0	266,597	100.0	376,587	100.0
11 Total coverage ($\frac{1+3+9}{10}$)	83,966	96.8	74,610	92.8	16,668	99.9	56,972	96.5	51,878	93.7	263,497	98.8	370,754	98.5
12 Agricultural products as per cent of total imports ($\frac{4}{10}$)		3.7		7.6		3.4		3.9		14.1		2.5		2.2

TARIFF CUTS ON INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS

60 PER CENT AND 25 PER CENT

Spanish imports from EFTA countries in 1978

Table IX (Rev.)

	AUSTRIA		FINLAND		ICELAND		NORWAY		PORTUGAL		SWEDEN		SWITZERLAND	
	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent	\$ 000	per cent
1 Imports of mineral and industrial goods	83,526	100.0	74,062	100.0	875	100.0	50,572	100.0	44,694	100.0	259,831	100.0	368,284	100.0
2 Duty free imports	1,934	2.3	110	0.1	598	68.3	1,034	2.0	472	1.1	4,736	1.8	40,097	10.9
3 List A	6,364	7.6	5,296	7.2	202	23.1	6,638	13.1	12,246	27.4	35,148	13.5	46,511	12.6
4 Part I of List C, 25-99							66	0.1						
5 60% tariff cut or duty free (2+3+4)	8,298	9.9	5,406	7.3	800	91.4	7,738	15.3	12,718	28.5	39,884	15.3	86,608	23.5
6 List B	60,401	72.3	34,995	47.3	75	8.6	35,088	69.4	22,661	50.7	176,239	67.8	273,180	74.2
7 Part II of List C, 25-99	86	0.1	86	0.1	-	-	99	0.2	1	-	550	0.2	1,903	0.5
8 25% tariff cut (6+7)	60,487	72.4	35,081	47.4	75	8.6	35,187	69.6	22,662	50.7	176,789	68.0	275,083	74.7
9 60% or 25% tariff cut (5+8)	68,785	82.3	40,487	54.7	875	100.0	42,925	84.9	35,380	79.2	216,673	83.3	361,691	98.2

Note: For several ex positions mentioned in the Annexes of the Agreement, estimates have had to be made.

TARIFF CUTS ON INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS
Portugal's imports from Spain in 1978*

Table X

	\$ 000	Per cent
Imports of mineral and industrial goods ch. 25-99	249,150	100.0
¹ 40% tariff cuts at "commencing date", 50% one year thereafter, 60% two years thereafter List A (List D, Part I, no trade in 1978)	80,162	32.2
² 15% tariff cuts at "commencing date", 20%, 25% and 30% one, two and three years thereafter		
(a) List B	42,743	17.2
(b) List D, Part II (above ch. 24)	1,779	0.7
Sum of (a) + (b)	44,522	17.9
Tariff cuts from "commencing date" (1 + 2)	124,684	50.1
³ Tariff cuts 10%, 20% and 30% one, two and three years after the "commencing date" List C	40,811	16.4
⁴ Tariff cuts from "commencing date" or one year after (1+2+3)	165,495	66.5

* Since not all ex-positions of the Agreement, Annex P, are available, estimates have been made for some of them.

Table XI

		Imports to Spain in 1978 in million US \$ and per cent of total imports from:														
	Austria	Finland		Iceland		Norway		Portugal		Sweden		Switzerland		EFTA		
		mill. US\$	per cent	mill. US\$	per cent	mill. US\$	per cent	mill. US\$	per cent	mill. US\$	per cent	mill. US\$	per cent	mill. US\$	per cent	
List A, OECD global quota system	7.6	8.8	1.6	2.0	-	-	1.6	2.7	5.1	9.2	14.4	5.4	28.1	7.5	58.4	6.2
List B, State trading régime	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	-	0.2	0.3	0.6	1.1	-	-	0.1	0	1.1	0.1
List C, trade régime neither liberalized nor globalized	-	-	0.2	0.2	-	-	0.1	0.2	-	-	0.1	0	21.7*	5.8	22.1	2.3

* mainly gold

TOTAL AVERAGE COVERAGE FOR TRADE BETWEEN EFTA COUNTRIES AND SPAIN IN 1978

Table XII

(in US\$ '000)

	Austria	Finland	Iceland	Norway	Portugal	Sweden	Switzerland	EFTA
Imports from Spain to EFTA countries Covered by the Agreement (Table VI) Per cent	68,841 64,969 94.4	74,842 59,312 79.2	3,933 2,868 72.9	79,636 65,228 81.9	284,785 252,815 88.8	179,491 125,763 70.1	246,065 188,102 76.4	937,593 759,057 81.0
Imports from EFTA countries to Spain Covered by the Agreement (Table VII rev.) Per cent	86,777 83,966 96.8	80,365 74,610 92.8	16,687 16,668 99.9	59,056 56,972 96.5	55,383 51,878 93.7	266,597 263,497 98.8	376,587 370,754 98.5	941,452 918,345 97.5
Total trade (Imports) Trade covered by the Agreement (Table VI and VII) Per cent	155,618 148,935 95.7	155,207 133,922 86.3	20,620 19,536 94.7	138,692 122,200 88.1	340,168 304,693 89.6	446,088 389,260 87.3	622,652 558,856 89.8	1,879,045 1,677,402 89.3
Imports of mineral and industrial goods from Spain to EFTA countries* Tariff cuts (Table VIII) Per cent	42,458 39,935 94.1	57,751 52,441 90.8	2,868 2,812 98.0	52,986 49,661 93.7		106,816 99,614 93.3	145,369 143,981 99.1	408,248* 388,444 95.1
Imports of mineral and industrial goods from EFTA countries to Spain Tariff cuts (Table IX rev.) Per cent	83,526 68,785 82.3	74,062 40,487 54.7	875 875 100.0	50,572 42,925 84.9	44,694 35,380 79.2	259,831 216,673 83.3	368,284 361,691 98.2	881,844 766,816 87.0

* Except Portugal