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SUBSIDIES

Notifications Pursuant to Article XVI:1

KOREA

The Permanent Mission of Korea has submitted an additional notification concerning subsidies pursuant to Article XVI:1. The information updates the latest notification contained in L/5102/Add.17 of 28 June 1982.

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1. Export Financing Programme

I(b)(l) Insert the following sentence after the first paragraph:

As of 28 June 1982 the Bank of Korea reduced commercial interest rate from 14 per cent to 10 per cent and the interest rate for export credit from 11 per cent to 10 per cent. Virtually, since last June, all bank lending rates have been lowered to a uniform rate of 10 per cent per annum without any special consideration for prime borrowers or preferential sectors such as exporters or small and medium sized firms. However the export credit system itself is still being maintained, and the current interest rate could be adjusted if extraordinary economic conditions lead the Korean Government to reconsider its position.

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I (c) Add to list:

| Year | Loans |
|------|-----------------|
| | |
| 1982 | W 2.278 billion |

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2. Agricultural Price Stabilization Programme

I (c) Add to list :

| Year | Red pepper | Garlic | Onion | |
|------|------------|--------|-------|--|
| | • | | | |
| 1982 | 14,364 | 5,762 | 5,379 | |

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II Add to list :

| Commodity | Year | Production | Consumption | Imports | Exports |
|------------|------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|
| Red pepper | 1982 | 131 | 131 | • | . • • |
| Garlic | 1982 | 186 | 187 | 1 | • |
| Onion | 1982 | 439 | 438.4 | · • | 0.6 |

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3. Foodgrain Procurement Programme

I (c) Add to list :

| Year | | Rice | Barley | Wheat |
|------|---|-------|--------|-------|
| | • | | | |
| 1982 | | 767.6 | 198.0 | 17.1 |

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II Add to list :

| Commodity | Year | Production | Consumption | Imports | Exports |
|-----------|------|------------|-------------|----------------|----------|
| Rice | 1982 | 5,063 | 5,457 | 269 | - |
| Barley | 1982 | 747 | 872 | . - | - |
| Wheat | 1982 | 66 | 1,950 | 1,940 | - |

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4. Sericultural Promotion Programme

II Add to list :

| Commodity | Year | Production | Consumption | Imports | Exports |
|-----------|------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|
| Fresh . | 1982 | 12,980 | 15,543 | 810 | 205 |
| | | | | | |
| Raw silk | 1982 | 2,487 | 2,972 | 555 | 699 |

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5. Livestock Price Support Programme

I (c) Add to list :

| Year | Beef | Pork | Chicken |
|------|------|------|---------|
| • | | | |
| 1982 | • | | •• |

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II. Effect of subsidy

- Replace (Unit : metric tons) with (Unit : 1,000 metric tons)
- Add to list :

| Commodity | Year | Production | Consumption | Imports | Exports |
|-----------|------|------------|-------------|---------|----------|
| Beef | 1982 | 61.0 | 106.0 | 45.0 | |
| Pork | 1982 | 237.5 | 237.5 | • | - |
| Chicken | 1982 | 99.0 | 99.0 | | · • |