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Addendum

CANADA

Note: The notifications concerning BTN 09.01, 11.03, 12.04 and 17.01 have been deleted.

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Milk and cream, preserved, concentrated or sweetened (04.02)	Canada	Argentina Australia New Zealand Philippines United States

(a) Description:

Discretionary licensing

Does not cover products labelled and sold as powdered cream, baby food, etc. There are certain other exceptions.

Products covered are: dried buttermilk and dried whey¹, skimmed milk powder², and dry casein and caseinates. Dry whole milk, evaporated and condensed milk have been added, as from 14 August 1970, to the import control list. (04.02)

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Import control is exercised by discretionary licensing under the Export and Import Permits Act. Administrative action. Restriction is aimed at maintaining the Canadian Dairy Stabilization Program.

Reference: L/2981/Add.3
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COM.AG/W/72/Add.25

¹ GQ originally at 1 million pounds during part of 1968; 2 million pounds for 1969 and 1970.

² No import permits have been issued for skimmed milk powder since the control was imposed in 1957.

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Butter (04.03)	Canada	Argentina Australia New Zealand United States

(a) Description:

Discretionary licensing

Does not apply to imports for personal use, of a value not exceeding Can\$5.

Products covered are butter and butterfat in any form, excluding concentrated milk products.

Import permits have been issued when there has been a shortfall in domestic production.

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Butter imports from 1965-1969 amounted to 38 million pounds, valued at Can\$10.6 million.

Reference: L/2981/Add.3
COM.AG/W/72/Add.25

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Cheese and curd (04.04)	Canada	Argentina Australia New Zealand United States

(a) Description:

Discretionary licensing for imports of cheese of all types.

Does not apply to imports for personal use, of a value not exceeding \$5. Imports of Cheddar and Colby cheese, cheese for processing, low-priced processed cheese are subject to quantitative limitations. Import permits have not been issued since control was imposed in 1957 on Cheddar and 1963 on Colby cheeses. The control on cheese for processing was introduced in 1969. Licences are issued to traditional suppliers according to a level in the base period. In the communication dated 26 October 1970 (L/3455), the Canadian delegation indicated that it was not expected that import permits will be issued for low-priced processed cheese, nor for cheese for processing, or Cheddar or Colby.

As from 14 August 1970, the control was imposed on all types of cheese. However, natural table cheese, other than Cheddar and Colby, imported for direct consumption, are subject to open general licence and do not require individual import permits. All processed cheese imports require individual import permits but such permits are issued freely for traditional types.

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Reference: L/2981/Add.3
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Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Wheat and meslin (10.01)	Canada	Argentina United States

(a) Description:

Imports of wheat are subject to discretionary licensing (ex 10.01).

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies to all entries in Chapters 10 and 11.)

Restrictions have been in effect for many years, aimed at orderly marketing conditions, through the Canadian Wheat Board. They insure that grain from the designated area in Western Canada has priority for storage facilities, which constitute an important part of the production control pattern. There are no significant imports of wheat. There have been occasional small imports of some of the coarse grains. The measures went into effect at a time when foreign sources were subject to subsidies. Adjustments in the mechanism could only be contemplated in the context of an overall negotiation where other countries took obligations.

Reference: L/2981/Add.3
COM.LG/W/72/Add.25

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Barley (10.03)	Canada	Argentina United States

(a) Description:

Discretionary licensing

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies to all entries in Chapters 10 and 11.)

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COM.AG/W/72/Add.25

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Oats (10.04)	Canada	Argentina United States

(a) Description:

Discretionary licensing

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies to all entries in Chapters 10 and 11.)

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COM.LG/W/72/Add.25

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Cereal flours (11.01)	Canada	Argentina United States

(a) Description:

Imports of wheat flour and barley flour are subject to discretionary licensing (ex 11.01).

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies to all entries in Chapters 10 and 11.)

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COM.AG/W/72/Add.25

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Cereal groats and meal, etc. ... (11.02)	Canada	Argentina

(a) Description:

Imports of oats ground, crimped, crushed or rolled; oatmeal; barley, ground or crimped, and barley meal are subject to discretionary licensing.
(ex 11.02)

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies to all entries in Chapters 10 and 11.)

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Reference: L/2981/Add.3
COM.AC/W/72/Add.25

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Starches, inulin (11.08)	Canada	

(a) Description:

Imports of wheat starch are subject to discretionary licensing. (ex 11.08)

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies to all entries in Chapters 10 and 11.)

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Reference: L/2981/Add.3
COM.AG/W/72/Add.25

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Margarine, imitation lard and other prepared edible fats (15.13)	Canada	Philippines

(a) Description:

Imports of oleomargarine, butterine or similar substitutes for butter or processed butter, with certain exceptions (small quantities for personal use - Residents: 25 lb.; non-residents: 5 lb. and manufacturers: 50 lb. for laboratory testing) are prohibited (ex 15.13).

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Policy adopted over fifty years ago prohibited generally the sale of oleomargarine in Canada. Presently, however, the prohibition is inoperative and oleomargarine is produced and sold domestically. There have been no commercial imports since before 1923.

Canada is prepared to study this prohibition to see whether relaxation could be considered in a general trade negotiation.

Reference: L/2981/Add.3

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Beer made from malt (22.03)	Canada	EEC Philippines United Kingdom

(a) Description:

State trading

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies also to 22.05, 22.06, 22.07, 22.08, 22.09.)

State trading is carried on by the Provincial Governments, with varying régimes from Province to Province. Beer, for instance, is sold in State liquor stores, and in some Provinces is also sold by brewers themselves and in general stores. The Federal Government has been trying to get the Provinces to eliminate certain procedures which have been called discriminatory, e.g., different make-ups on imported products, and difficulties in getting them listed with the Provincial authorities.

Reference: L/1949/Add.7

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Wine of fresh grapes; grape must with fermentation arrested by the addition of alcohol (22.05)	Canada	Argentina EEC United Kingdom

(a) Description:

State trading

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

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Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Vermouth and other wines of fresh grapes flavoured with aromatic extracts (22.06)	Canada	EEC United Kingdom

(a) Description:

State trading

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies also to 22.03, 22.05, 22.07, 22.08, 22.09.)

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Reference: L/1949/Add.7

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Other fermented beverages (22.07)	Canada	EEC United Kingdom

(a) Description:

State trading

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies also to 22.03, 22.05, 22.06, 22.08, 22.09.)

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Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Ethyl alcohol or neutral spirits, undenatured 80° or higher ...; denatured spirits ... (22.08)	Canada	Argentina Brazil EEC United Kingdom

(a) Description:

State trading

(b) Comments by other countries:

Brazil has an interest in increasing its exports of these products, the production of which can be of importance to a region that is under-developed.

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies also to 22.03, 22.05, 22.06, 22.07, 22.09.)

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Reference: L/1949/Add.7

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Other spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages (22.09)	Canada	Argentina EEC United Kingdom

(a) Description:

State trading

(b) Comments by other countries:(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

(Applies also to 22.03, 22.05, 22.06, 22.07, 22.08.)

State trading is carried on by the Provincial Governments, with varying régimes from Province to Province. Beer, for instance is sold in State liquor stores, and in some Provinces is also sold by brewers themselves and in general stores. The Federal Government has been trying to get the Provinces to eliminate certain procedures which have been called discriminatory, e.g. different make-ups on imported products, and difficulties in getting them listed with the Provincial authorities.

Reference: L/1949/Add.7

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Sweetened forage; other preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (23.07)	Canada	Philippines

(a) Description:

Discretionary licensing for imports of animal feeds containing more than 40 per cent of non-fat milk solids.

(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Reference: L/3455
COM.AG/W/72/Add.25