

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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MTN/3E/DOC/9/Add.2/Corr.2

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## Multilateral Trade Negotiations

### GROUP 3(e) - BASIC DOCUMENTATION

#### Inventory of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Regulations Notified

##### AUSTRIA

##### Corrigendum

BTN 01.04

At page 2 of MTN/3E/DOC/9/Add.2/Corr.1 under "(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures" insert the following:

"The Federal Ministry for Health and Environment is competent to issue the veterinary authorization for the importation of sheep; this authorization will be issued when the conditions set out in the Decree on veterinary regulations for imports and transits, Federal Law Gazette No. 200/1955, as well as the other veterinary and sanitary regulations are met.

"According to these regulations, the animals have i.e. to be examined by a veterinarian surgeon at the time they are entering Austrian territory, veterinary certificates of origin and health have to be presented and certain requirements concerning the secure transportation of the animals have to be fulfilled.

"In 1965, Austria and Hungary have concluded an agreement on veterinary regulations which is still in force and which contains regulations similar to those mentioned above."

BTN 02.02

At page 3 of MTN/3E/DOC/9/Add.2/Corr.1 under "(c) comments by country maintaining the measures" insert the following:

"For the importation of slaughtered poultry into Austria veterinary certificates of origin have to be presented; by these certificates, the competent official veterinarian surgeon has to certify that the poultry is originating in a country in which during the fourteen days preceding the dispatch, there was no case of poultry disease (pest). Furthermore, slaughtered poultry can only be imported if the entrails were taken out and if the poultry is plucked."

BTN Nos. ex 08.04 and ex 16.02

New sheets attached.

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Fresh table grapes (Ex 08.04)	Austria	Romania

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(a) Description:

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(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

According to the provisions of the Decree on importation of plants, Federal Law Gazette No. 236/1954, Article 1, in general no objects of any kind whatsoever may be imported into Austria or transit through Austrian territory, if these objects are affected by a dangerous parasite or by a dangerous plant disease and if through these objects this parasite or this disease could be introduced into Austrian federal territory.

In Austria there exist no specific sanitary and phytosanitary import restrictions applicable to table grapes.

The trade with plants and parts of plants is, as far as sanitary and phytosanitary regulations are concerned, regulated by the International Convention on the Protection of Plants (Rome 1951), to which Austria and Romania are parties.

The regulations of the Austrian decree mentioned above are oriented towards the Convention just mentioned.

Product: (BTN)	Country or group maintaining measures:	Countries indicating an interest:
Preserved meat and meat offal of bovine animals or of swine (Ex 16.02)	Austria	Romania

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(a) Description:

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(b) Comments by other countries:

(c) Comments by country maintaining the measures:

Tinned bovine and pork meat and meat offals are subject to the regulations of the Austrian Food Act 1975, Federal Law Gazette No. 86/1975. Article 7 of this law prohibits to make available to consumers food which is dangerous to health, spoiled, imitated, falsified, reduced in its value or the marking of which does not provide correct information.

Whether tinned meat is dangerous to health, spoiled, falsified or reduced in its value will be determined in applying the regulations contained in the Austrian Food Codex (Codex Alimentarius Austriacus).