

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADEMultilateral Trade NegotiationsGroup "Tariffs"STATUS OF BINDINGS

At its meeting of 18-21 March 1975 the Group requested the secretariat to prepare tabulations showing the status of bindings for products in BTN Chapters 1-99 including the percentage of tariff lines bound and the percentage of most-favoured-nation imports under bound items, for countries included in the Tariff Study (MTN/TAR/1, paragraph 5). Provisional figures were circulated to the Group during the meeting. Revised data superseding the former table are shown below.

The calculations are based on the Tariff Study files and generally refer to tariffs in force as of 1 January 1973 and imports in 1971. The results are shown in ranges, the lower figure excluding, the higher figure including partial bindings. Bound items subject to additional charges or levies are included. The import share of the European Communities is based on provisional statistics and therefore subject to revision. Calculations for Canada will be made directly from national customs tariff at a later stage.

	<u>Percentage share of</u>	
	<u>Tariff lines</u>	<u>M.f.n. imports</u>
Australia	11 - 14	14 - 26
Austria	78 - 81	77 - 83
European Communities	84 - 85	88 - 91
Finland	83 - 86	92 - 94
Japan	84 - 85	58 - 59
New Zealand	28 - 29	47 - 50
Norway	77 - 79	59 - 60
Sweden	84 - 85	91 - 92
Switzerland	91 - 92	74 - 76
United States	97 - 97	90 - 99