

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADEMultilateral Trade Negotiations
Group "Non-Tariff Measures"

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE DELEGATION OF SPAIN

The following communication, dated 4 August 1978, has been received from the delegation of Spain.

On the instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you as follows.

By Resolution of 20 July 1978, the General Directorate of Tariff Policy and Imports of my country's Ministry of Trade and Tourism has given instructions that the régime of free importation be applied in respect of the goods included in the following list and which previously were subject to global quota or State trading or to a régime other than that of liberalized trade, global quota or State trading:

- 05.04.A. Guts: other
- 05.04.B. Bladders and stomachs of animals (other than fish), whole and pieces thereof
- 05.15.B. Animal semen; fish eggs and silkworm eggs, for hatching
- Chapter 18: Cocoa and cocoa preparations
- 21.07.B. Mixtures of plants for the preparation of beverages
- 21.07.C. Protein hydrolysates and protein concentrates
- 21.07.E. Food preparation substitutes of mother's milk, for the treatment of infant metabolic disorders
- 22.09.C. Alcoholic concentrated extracts
- 25.02 Unroasted iron pyrites
- 27.01 Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuel manufactured from coal
- 28.14.A. Sulphur chlorides and oxychlorides
- 28.15.B. Carbon sulphide
- 28.46.B. Sodium perborates

28.48.D.3.	Lead arsenates
33.06.A.	Perfumery, cosmetics and toilet preparations
34.01.B.	Toilet, glycerin and medicated soaps
37.04.B.	Cinematograph film, not developed
37.07	Cinematograph film, developed, whether or not incorporating sound track, or consisting only of sound track
39.01.A.	Phenoplasts and furan resins
39.01.B.	Aminoplasts
39.01.C.1.	Alkyd polyesters
44.11	Panels of wood fibre or other vegetable fibres
44.15	Plywood and laminated wood products
44.16	Cellular wood panels
44.18	Reconstituted wood
70.21	Other articles of glass
73.23	Other casks, drums, cans, boxes, of sheet or plate iron or steel
ex 73.40.C.1.	Other articles of iron or steel, castings or mouldings, except without couplings
73.40.C.2.	Other articles of iron or steel, of wire
73.40.C.3.	Other articles of iron or steel
84.06.B.2.c.	Other spark-ignition engines, weighing each more than 100 kgs. but not more than 300 kgs., except outboard engines
84.06.B.2.d.	Other spark-ignition engines weighing each more than 300 kgs.
84.10.F.2.a.	Centrifugal motor pumps weighing more than 15 kgs. with spark-ignition engines, and centrifugal motor pumps weighing more than 2,000 kgs. with compression-ignition engines
84.10.F.2.b.	Other motor pumps weighing more than 15 kgs. with spark-ignition engines, and other motor pumps weighing not more than 2,000 kgs. with compression-ignition engines
84.11.D.3.	Other motor pumps and motor compressors with built-in engines

- 85.15.B.1. Radio-broadcasting transmitters and transmitter-receivers
- 85.15.B.2. Television transmitters and transmitter-receivers and auxiliary components thereof, except television cameras
- 85.15.B.3. Other transmitters and transmitter-receivers, and auxiliary components thereof
- 87.01.A.2. Wheeled tractors, of a cylinder capacity of more than 4,000 cc
- 87.01.B.2. Track-laying tractors, of a cylinder capacity of more than 6,000 cc
- 87.02.B.1. Motor vehicles specially designed for the transport of radio-active materials
- 87.02.B.2. Vehicles specialized for the transport of earth, rocks and mineral materials, weighing 18,000 kgs. or more, or weighing not less than 14,000 kgs. but less than 18,000 kgs. and with a wheelbase of less than 4 metres, or weighing between 7,000 and 14,000 kgs. with a wheelbase not exceeding 2.8 metres
- ex 87.04 Chassis fitted with engines for the motor vehicles falling within headings Nos. 87.01, 87.02 or 87.03, except trolley-buses
- 87.14.A. Other vehicles, not mechanically propelled, specially designed for the transport of highly radio-active products
- 98.01.A.2.b. Buttons of artificial plastic materials
- 98.01.B. Cuff-links and similar articles
- 98.12.A. Combs, hair-slides and the like, of celluloid

My country's authorities consider that this liberalization of the importation of numerous products formerly subject to quotas or State trading constitutes an important contribution by Spain in the area of non-tariff barriers and that their removal can be the subject of compensation in the context of the multilateral trade negotiations now proceeding in GATT.

The total volume of imports affected by this measure involves more than Ptas 45,000 million annually and can be expected to increase considerably following the liberalization of these imports.

Therefore, the Spanish authorities consider this liberalization, as they did in the case of the liberalization of 16 January 1978, reported in document MTN/NTM/W/142, as constituting a contribution to the multilateral trade negotiations that may be the subject of compensation. In this connexion, this liberalization will shortly be communicated directly to the

principal parties that will benefit therefrom, and to all those parties which, in the course of the negotiations, have requested the removal of these barriers.

Furthermore and simultaneously, under Royal Decree 1780/1978 of the same date, a conjunctural and temporary linear reduction has been made in all tariff duties on the products covered by Chapters 25 to 99 inclusive, with the exception of Chapter 55, of the Spanish tariff.

This involves a reduction of 20 per cent of all duties on the portion in excess of 10 per cent ad valorem, or in the case of specific duties, a reduction of 10 per cent of such duties.

As this reduction is temporary and conjunctural, it may in no case serve as a basis of negotiation for the removal of tariff barriers.