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Tropical Roots, Rice and Tobacco

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1. Tropical Roots and Tubers including Manioc

A. An overview of the tariff situation

- (a) Manioc (cassava), fresh or dried, including chips and pellets
(HS 0714.10)

MFN 0%B	CAN, JPN (for feeding purposes), FIN, NZL
GSP 0%	NOR, AUS
MFN/GSP dutiable	USA, JPN (not for feeding purposes), EEC, AUT, SWE, CHE

- (b) Arrowroot, salep, etc., fresh or dried (0714.90)

MFN 0%B	USA (pellets), CAN (arrowroot, sago, sweet potatoes, yams), FIN (arrowroot), NZL
MFN 0%U	SWE
GSP 0%	USA (fresh dasheens and yams; dried, other than pellets), FIN (Jerusalem artichokes), NOR, AUS
MFN/GSP dutiable	USA (fresh, other), CAN (other), JPN, EEC, AUT, FIN (other), CHE

- (c) Flour and meal of the above (1106.20)

MFN 0%B	USA, JPN (for feeding purposes), NZL
GSP 0%	CAN (flour of sago or manioc), NOR (other)
MFN/GSP dutiable	CAN (other), JPN (not for feeding), EEC, AUT, FIN, NOR (those of sago pith, manioc, arrowroot and salep), SWE, CHE, AUS

- (d) Manioc starch (1108.14)

MFN 0%B	USA
GSP 0%	CAN
MFN/GSP dutiable	JPN, EEC, AUT, FIN, NOR, SWE, CHE, AUS, NZL

- (e) Tapioca (1903.00)

MFN 0%B	USA (of arrowroot, manioc or sago), CAN, AUS
GSP 0%	CHE, NZL
MFN/GSP dutiable	JPN, EEC, AUS, FIN, NOR, SWE

B. Non-tariff measures

Quantitative import restrictions

Canada employs a discretionary licensing system for starches. Japan maintains global quotas on starches. Finland applies quotas to starches and discretionary licensing to flour and meal. New Zealand has exempted tropical roots from import restrictions, although starches, except for arrowroot starch which has already been exempted from licensing, will be subject to licensing until 1 July 1989. Since the early 1980s the European Community has adopted a tariff quota system and has agreed with Thailand on its quantitative export restraints.

Other notified non-tariff measures

Imports of milled products for animal feedstuffs into Norway are subject to State trading. Norway also applies an import levy, or compensatory amount, to starches, to equalize the price between the imported product and the corresponding price of the same product of internal origin. Flour and meal of sago, manioc, arrowroot and salep are subject to licensing requirements. Imports of manioc root, flour and meal and starches for animal feed are subject to automatic licensing in Switzerland.

C. Major suppliers¹

(a) Manioc, fresh or dried

USA (manioc was classified under TSUS 13797 and 14056 together with many other fresh or dried vegetables), JPN (THA), EEC (THA, IDN), AUT (negligible imports), NOR (SWE), SWE (EEC), CHE (ISR, EEC), AUS (WSM)

(b) Arrowroot, salep, etc., fresh or dried

USA (dasheens-DOM; yams-JAM, COL, BRA)
JPN (KOR, CHN), EEC (CHN, THA), AUT (negligible imports), FIN (ISR), NOR (ISR), SWE (EEC), CHE (ISR, EEC), AUS (WSM)

(c) Flour and meal

CAN (USA, THA), JPN (OAN, CHN), EEC (BRA, SUR), AUT (negligible imports), FIN (EEC), NOR (EEC, THA), SWE (EEC), CHE (EEC), AUS (JPN, USA), NZL (EEC)

(d) Manioc starch

CAN (USA, THA), JPN (THA), EEC (THA), AUT (negligible imports), FIN (EEC), NOR (EEC, THA), SWE (EEC), CHE (EEC, THA), AUS (n.a.), NZL (EEC)

(e) Tapioca

JPN (USA, BRA), EEC (THA, MYS), AUT (negligible imports), FIN (EEC), NOR (no imports), SWE (n.a.), CHE (MYS), NZL (MYS, EEC)

¹The name of the market is followed by major suppliers thereto indicated in parenthesis. Markets which have granted bound duty-free treatment on an m.f.n. basis are not included in this section.

D. Countries having submitted indicative lists (and countries to which indicative lists have been addressed, if specified)

n.s. = not specified

0714.10	Manioc (cassava), fresh or dried	ASEAN (EEC)
0714.90	Arrowroot, salep, etc., fresh or dried	BRA (n.s.)
1106.20	Flour and meal of sago, roots or tubers of No. 0714	BRA (n.s.)
1108.14	Manioc starch	ASEAN (EEC,JPN),BRA (n.s.)
1903.00	Tapioca and substitutes therefor	ASEAN (EEC)

Table 1
Tropical Roots and Tubers

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		United States	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Finland	Norway	Sweden	Switzerland	Australia	New Zealand
0714.10 (0706)	Manioc (Cassava), fresh or dried	MFN	25%B (13797) (14056)	0%B	0%B ³ 15%U, 25%U ⁴	Tariff quota	Import levy	0%B	NOK 0.18/kg.B	Import levy	Sw F 0.0075/kg.P	2%U	0%B
		GSP	-	-	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	0%	-
0714.90 (0706)	Arrowroot, salep, etc. fresh or dried	MFN	1/ (13600) (13788) (13797) (14056)	0%B, 5%B, 10%B	15%U	6%B ¹²	Import levy	0%B ⁶ 8%B, 15%B ⁷	NOK 0.1/kg.B	0%U ⁹	Sw F 0.0075/kg.P	2%U	0%B
		GSP	1/	-	-	-	-	0% ⁷	0%	-	-	0%	-
1106.20 (1104)	Flour and meal of sago, roots or tubers of No.0714	MFN	0%B (13235)	1.65¢/kg.B of sago, manioc	0%B, 25%U ³	Import levy	Import levy	1%U	NOK 0.2/kg.B	Import levy	Sw F 0.05/kg.U	10%U	0%B
		GSP	-	0% ¹¹	-	-	-	-	ex0% ⁸	-	-	5%	-
1108.14 (1108)	Manioc starch	MFN	0%B (13235)	1.65¢/kg.B	25%U	Import levy	Import levy	10%U	NOK 0.64/kg.U	Import levy	Sw F 0.1/kg.U	10%U	30%U ¹³
		GSP	-	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sw F 0.05/kg.	5%	24% ¹³
1903.00 (1904)	Tapioca and substitutes therefor	MFN	0%B ² (13235), 1.2¢/kg.B (13250) (13255)	0%B	16%A ⁴	10%+ variable component B	Import levy	13%U	NOK 0.6/kg.U	Import levy	Sw F 0.025/kg.p	0%B	2%U ¹⁰
		GSP	-	-	-	2%+ variable component	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%

¹Fresh dasheens 5%B, GSP 0%; fresh yams 10%B, GSP 0%; fresh, other 25%B, no GSP; not fresh, in the form of pellets 0%B; not fresh, other 13%B, GSP 0%.

²Of arrowroot, manioc or sago

³For feeding purposes (under customs surveillance).

⁴Pellets of flour and meal.

⁵GSP not applicable to substitutes obtained from potato or other starches.

⁶Arrowroot

⁷Jerusalem artichokes

⁸The GSP rate does not apply to flour and meal of sago pith, manioc, arrowroot and salep.

⁹Arrowroot is subject to variable levy.

¹⁰Bound at 50.0137/kg.

¹¹Flour of sago or manioc (cassava).

¹²Duty rate reduced to 3 per cent for sago pith.

¹³Duties effective July 1988.

2. Rice

A. An overview of the tariff situation

- (a))
(b)) Rice in the husk or husked (1006.10 and 20)

MFN 0%B	CAN, NOR, SWE, NZL
MFN 0%A/U	JPN, AUT
GSP 0%	CHE, AUS
MFN/GSP dutiable	USA, EEC, FIN

- (c) Semi-skilled or wholly-milled rice (1006.30)

MFN 0%B	SWE, NZL
MFN 0%A/U	JPN, AUT
GSP 0%	USA, CAN, CHE, AUS
MFN/GSP dutiable	EEC, FIN, NOR

- (d) Broken rice (1006.40)

MFN 0%B	SWE, NZL
MFN 0%A	JPN
GSP 0%	CAN, AUS
MFN/GSP dutiable	USA, EEC, AUT, FIN, NOR, CHE

- (e) Rice flour (1102.30)

MFN 0%B	NOR, SWE
MFN 0%U	NZL
GSP 0%	USA, CAN, AUS
MFN/GSP dutiable	JPN, EEC, AUS, FIN, CHE

- (f) Groats, meal and pellets of rice

MFN 0%B	CAN, NOR, SWE, NZL
GSP 0%	USA, AUS
MFN/GSP dutiable	JPN, EEC, AUT, FIN, CHE

B. Non-tariff measures

Quantitative restrictions

Japan restricts imports of rice under State trading (see below) and applies global quotas on rice flour and meal. Switzerland maintains global quotas on rice flour for animal feed. Swiss agricultural legislation provides for imports of fodder to be controlled in order to discourage surplus meat and milk production. Austria employs discretionary licensing for rice flour and meal and Finland for rice meal only. New Zealand has recently exempted rice flour and meal from licensing restrictions.

With effect from 19 March 1987, Austria introduced quotas on imports of broken rice under the provisions of Article XIX (L/6144).

Other notified non-tariff measures

In the United States, the Food Security Act of 1985 continues the system of target prices, loan rates, deficiency payments and area reduction programmes. In trade, the Act provides for the continuation of the Export Enhancement Programme, designed to counter subsidized exports from other countries. In practice, it allowed the United States to lower their export prices on rice. In 1986, the United States introduced a countervailing duty of 0.824 per cent on imports of rice from Thailand.

In the EEC, in conformity with the Common Agricultural Policy, intervention prices for rice are fixed with a view to ensuring a certain level of income to producers; hence, rice imports are subject to variable levies. In early 1987 the EEC introduced a new regulation whereby up to 10,000 tons of basmati rice are admitted into the Community at a reduced import levy, i.e. 25 per cent lower than the import levy charged on other long grain rice.

In Japan, the export and import of rice are under Government management. State trading, introduced in 1942 under the Food Control Law has as an objective the stabilization of the national rice economy by adjusting supply and demand in order to guarantee food security for the population. Each year, the Government fixes purchase and resale prices taking into account rice production costs, consumers' household expenditure, commodity prices and certain other economic conditions and factors. With the experience of surplus rice production, the Government of Japan has taken a series of measures to sustain consumption and cut output by various measures including the limitation of acreage for rice production and restraints on increases in producer and consumer prices; in July 1987, the producer price was cut by 5.95 per cent.

In Austria, rice meal is subject to State-trading (AG/FOR/AUT/1). In Norway rice flour and meal are subject to State-trading (AG/FOR/REV/NOR/1). In Switzerland, imports of rice for human consumption are subject to automatic licensing (AG/DOC/2/CHE/1), while imports of unprocessed and broken rice, as well as rice flour for animal feed purposes are subject to import levies (AG/DOC/6/CHE/1). On 1 July 1986 the import levy on broken rice was raised from Sw F 300 per ton to Sw F 500 per ton.

C. Major suppliers

(a) Rice in the husk (paddy or rough)

USA (THA,IND),JPN (no imports),EEC (USA),AUT (EEC,THA,USA),
FIN (EEC,USA),CHE (USA,EEC),AUS (THA,USA,PAK)

(b) Rice, husked

USA (basmati-IND,CAN,PAK; other-IND,THA),JPN (KOR),EEC
(USA,SUR,THA,IND),AUT (EEC,THA,USA),FIN (EGY,AUS),CHE (USA,EEC),
AUS (THA,USA,PAK)

(c) Semi-milled or wholly-milled rice

USA (THA,IND),CAN (USA,THA,IND),JPN (THA),EEC (THA,USA),EGY,AUT
(EEC,THA,USA),FIN (USA),NOR (USA,EEC),CHE (USA,EEC),AUS
(THA,USA,PAK)

(d) Broken rice

CAN (USA,THA,IND),JPN (THA),EEC (THA,USA,URY),AUT (EEC,ROM),FIN
(USA), NOR (no imports),CHE (USA,EEC),AUS (THA,USA,PAK)

(e) Rice flour

USA (THA),CAN (USA,THA,HKG),JPN (THA),EEC (THA),AUT (negligible
imports),FIN (EEC),CHE (EEC),AUS (THA,EEC),NZL (AUS,CHN)

(f) Groats, meal and pellets or rice

USA (THA),JPN (THA),EEC (USA),AUT (CHE,EEC,BRA,USA),FIN (SUN),
CHE (n.a.),AUS (n.a.)

D. Countries having submitted indicative lists (and countries to which indicative lists have been addressed, if specified)

n.s. = not specified

1006.10	Rice in the husk (paddy or rough)	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (USA) BUR (EEC, CSK)
1006.20	Husked (blown) rice	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (EEC, USA) BUR (EEC, CSK)
1006.30	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (EEC, JPN, USA) BUR (EEC, CSK)
1006.40	Broken rice	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (EEC, JPN, USA) BUR (EEC, CSK)
1102.30	Rice flour	AUS (n.s.)

Table 2

Rice

Sweden: 0%B (all items)

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		United States (TSUS)	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Fin- land	Nor- way	Swit- zer- land	Aust- tra- lia	New Zea- land
1006.10	Rice in the husk (paddy or rough)	MFN	2.8¢/ kg.U (13050)	0%B	15%U 0%A	Variable levy	0%U	5%B	0%B	Sw F 0.006/ kg.B	2%U	0%B
		GSP	-			-		-		0%	0%	
1006.20	Husked (brown) rice	MFN	3.3¢/ kg.U, basmati 1.3¢/ kg.B	0%B	15%U 0%A	Variable levy	0%U	5%B	0%B	Sw F 0.006/ kg.B	2%U	0%B
		GSP	-			-	-	-		0%	0%	
1006.30	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	MFN	2.2¢/ kg.B, par- boiled 17.5%B (14198)	\$5.51/ tonne B	15%U 0%A	Variable levy	0%U	15%B	NOK 0.60/ kg.B ²	Sw F 0.03/ kg.B	2%U	0%B
		GSP	0% (14198)	0%		-		-	-	0%	0%	
1006.40	Broken rice	MFN	0.69¢/ kg.B (13133)	as above	15%U 0%A	Variable levy	S 0.07/ kg.B Import levy	25%U	NOK 0.60/ kg.B ²	Sw F 0.03/ kg.p	2%U	0%B
		GSP	-	0%		-	-	-	-	-	0%	
1102.30 (1101)	Rice flour	MFN	0.2¢/ kg.B (13135)	1.65¢/ kg.B	25%U	Variable levy	38% min. S 1.7/ kg.U ¹	10%B	0%B	Sw F 0.2/ ³ kg.U ³	2%U	25%B 0% ¹
		GSP	0%	0%		-	-	-		-	0%	
1103.14 (1102)	Groats, meal and pellets of rice	MFN	0.2¢/ kg.B (13135) (13167)	0%B	25%U	Variable levy	As above	10%B	0%B	Sw F 0.045/ kg.B	2%U	0%B
		GSP	0% (13135)		-	-	-	-		-	0%	

¹In packings of 5 kg. or less - 44%, minimum S 2/kg.U.²Inedible - NOK 0.20/kg.B.³Denatured - Sw F 0.003/kg.U.

3. Tobacco

A. An overview of the tariff situation

(a) Unmanufactured tobacco (2401)

MFN OZB	FIN,NOR,SWE,AUS (for manufacturing cigars and cigarillos),NZL (for manufacturing cigars)
MFN OZU	JPN,CHE (for manufacturing cigars, cigarettes, etc.)
GSP OZ	USA (wrapper tobacco, oriental type)
MFN/GSP dutiable	USA (other),CAN,EEC,AUT,CHE,AUS (other), CHE (other),NZL (other)

(b) Cigars and cigarillos

GSP OZ	USA (each valued 23¢ or over),SWE
MFN/GSP dutiable	USA (other),CAN,JPN,EEC,AUT,FIN,CHE,NZL

(c) Cigarettes

MFN OZA	JPN
GSP OZ	USA (containing clove and not paper wrapped),SWE
MFN/GSP dutiable	USA (paper wrapped),CAN,EEC,AUT,FIN,NOR, CHE,AUS,NZL

B. Non-tariff measures

New Zealand will continue to maintain licensing restrictions on manufactured tobacco (HS 2402.10 and 2402.20) until 1 July 1989, but imports of unmanufactured tobacco as well as snuff are exempt from licensing. Amongst EEC members, imports by France of leaf tobacco, tobacco refuse, manufactured tobacco and tobacco extracts and essences are under State monopoly, administered by SEITA (Source d'exportation industrielle des tabacs et allumettes).

All imports of tobacco are subject to State trading in Austria. The tobacco monopoly covers the production, the processing, the importation and the use of monopoly goods. Quotas sometimes granted within the framework of trade arrangements do not constitute a strict obligation to purchase those quantities. The importation of leaf tobacco and manufactured tobacco into Japan has been liberalized since 1 April 1985, abolishing the State monopoly system by the Japan Tobacco and Salt Public Corporation. However, as a consequence of the continuing monopoly of the production of manufactured tobacco by the Japan Tobacco Inc. (JTI), which is the private enterprise re-organized from the Japan Tobacco and Salt Public Corporation, the importation of leaf tobacco is in effect dependent upon the purchases by JTI.

C. Major suppliers

(a) Unmanufactured tobacco

USA (wrapper tobacco-HND,CMR,NIC,MEX; oriental type-TUR,EEC,YUG,BGR,THA; other-BRA,GTM,KOR,CAN,PAN,DOM,THA,CAN; scrap tobacco-IDN,BRA,DOM,PHL,EEC),CAN (USA,EEC,DOM,CUB),JPN (USA,EEC,MEX,TUR,THA,MWI,PHL,CHN,IND),EEC (USA,BRA,ZWE,MWI,TUR,BGR,IDN,KOR,IND),AUT (USA,EEC,ZWE,BRA,BGR,YUG),CHE (for cigars-IDN,BRA,EEC,USA; other-USA,EEC,BRA,TUR),AUS (USA,PNG,MWI,KOR,PHL),NZL (USA,ZWE,BRA,KOR,THA)

(b) Cigars and cigarillos

USA (DOM,JAM,HND,MEX,EEC),CAN (EEC,USA,CHE,CUB),JPN (USA,EEC,CAN,CUB),EEC (CUB,CIV,USA,CHE),AUT (EEC,CHE),FIN (SWE,EEC,AUT),NOR (EEC,SWE),SWE (EEC,USA,CUB),CHE (CUB,EEC,IND),AUS (EEC,CUB,USA,CHE),NZL (EEC,USA)

(c) Cigarettes

USA (with clove-IDN; other-EEC,CAN,IDN),CAN (USA,CHE,EEC),JPN (USA,EEC,IDN),EEC (CHE,USA,CUB),AUT (EEC,YUG),FIN (CHE),NOR (CHE,FIN),SWE (CHE,USA,EEC,FIN),CHE (AUT,EEC,FIN,IDN),AUS (USA,EEC),NZL (USA,EEC)

D. Countries having submitted indicative lists (and countries to which indicative lists have been addressed, if specified)

n.s. = not specified

2401.10	Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (EEC, NZL, JPN, USA), PER (EEC), LKA (EEC), BUR (EEC)
2401.20	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/ stripped	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (JPN, USA), LKA (EEC), BUR (EEC)
2401.30	Tobacco refuse	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (USA)
2402.10	Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (EEC, CHE, USA), BRA (n.s.), BUR (USA, EEC)
2402.20	Cigarettes	AUS (n.s.), ASEAN (EEC, JPN, USA), BRA (n.s.)

Table 3

United States and Australia: See separate tables in the following pages

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Finland	Norway	Sweden	Switzerland	New Zealand
2401.10	Tobacco, not stemmed /stripped	MFN	0% ^{6/} 24.25¢/kg.B ^{7/} 27.56¢/kg.B ^{8/}	OZU	<u>1/</u>	S 4/ ₃ /kg.B ^{3/}	OZB	OZB	OZB	OZU ^{4/} , Sw F 1/kg.U	<u>5/</u>
		GSP	0% ^{7/} 18.36¢/kg.B ^{8/}		<u>1/</u>	-					<u>5/</u>
2401.20	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped	MFN	44¢/kg.B	OZU	<u>1/</u>	S 7.5/ ₃ /kg.B ^{3/}	OZB	OZB	OZB	As above	<u>5/</u>
		GSP	0% ^{8/} 29.39¢/kg.B ^{9/}		<u>1/</u>	-					
2401.30	Tobacco refuse	MFN	10.2% ^{10/}	OZU	<u>1/</u>	S 4/ ₃ /kg.B ^{3/}	OZB	OZB	OZB	As above	<u>5/</u>
		GSP	6.5%		<u>1/</u>	-	-				
2402.10	Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos	MFN	10% ^{11/} \$3.20/kg.B	60% ^{12/} 20%A*	52%B ^{2/}	S 233/ ₃ /kg.B ^{3/}	FIM 24.56/kg.B	NOK 15/kg.P	SEK 1.70-8.90/100 units B	Sw F 17/kg.U	20% ^{13/}
		GSP	6.5% + \$2.13/kg ^{14/} 0% ^{15/}	-	41%	-	-	-	OZ	-	15%
2402.20	Cigarettes	MFN	20%B	90% ^{16/} 0%A*	90%B	S 266/ ₃ /kg.B ^{3/}	FIM 24.56/kg.B	NOK 17/kg.B	SEK 0.60-1.10/100 units B	Sw F 8.75-17.5/kg.U	20% ^{17/}
		GSP	-		82%	-	-	-	OZ	-	15%

^{1/} See separate tables in the following pages.

^{2/} Duty rate reduced to 43 per cent until 31 December 1990.

^{3/} Imports by the monopoly administration are admitted free of duty.

^{4/} For the manufacture of cigars, cigarettes, etc.

^{5/} For the manufacture in a licensed manufacturing warehouse into: cigars OZB, tobacco, cigarettes and snuff 12.5%^{18/}, GSP 10%. For other purposes \$73.48 per 100 kgs, no GSP.

^{6/} For use as wrappers in the manufacture of cigars.

^{7/} Turkish type

^{8/} Other

^{9/} For use in the manufacture of cigars

^{10/} Hand-rolled cigars

United States Duties

HS	Description	MFN (1988)	Ad Valorem Incidence ¹	GSP (1988)
2401.10 2401.10.20	Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped: Containing over 35 per cent wrapper tobacco	79.4¢/Kg.B	7.2%	Free
	Not containing wrapper tobacco, or not containing over 35 per cent wrapper tobacco:			
	Cigarette leaf:			
2401.10.40	• Oriental or Turkish type not over 21.6 cm in length	25.4¢/Kg.B	7.8%	Free
2401.10.60	Other	28.1¢/Kg.B	12.6%	-
2401.10.80	Other, including cigar leaf	35.5¢/Kg. + 43.9¢/Kg. on wrapper tobacco content B	n.a.	-
2401.20	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped:			
	Not threshed or similarly processed:			
2401.20.05	Leaf tobacco, the product of two or more, countries or dependencies, when mixed or packed together	56.45/Kg.U	n.a.	-
2401.20.20	Other:			
	Containing over 35 per cent wrapper tobacco	\$1.37/Kg. + \$2.04/Kg. on filler tobacco content B	n.a.	Free
2401.20.40	Not containing wrapper tobacco, or not containing over 35 per cent wrapper tobacco	44.1¢/Kg. + 92.9¢/Kg. on wrapper tobacco content B	n.a.	-
	Threshed or similarly processed:			
2401.20.60	From cigar leaf	35.5¢/Kg.B	21.7%	-
2401.20.80	Other	44.1¢/Kg.B	13.4%	-
2401.30	Tobacco refuse:			
	Tobacco stems:			
2401.30.30	Not cut, not ground and not pulverized	Free B		
2401.30.60	Cut, ground or pulverized	\$1.21/Kg. U	250.6%	-
2401.30.90	Other	35¢/Kg.B	21.7%	-
2402.10	Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos containing tobacco:			
2402.10.30	Each valued less than 15c	\$4.21/Kg. + 10.5% B	23.9%	-
2402.10.60	Each valued 15c or over but less than 23c	\$1.26/Kg. + 3% B	9.0%	-
2402.10.80	Each valued 23c or over	\$1.26/Kg. + 3% B	6.3%	Free
2402.20	Cigarettes containing tobacco:			
2402.20.10	Containing clove	92.6¢/Kg. + 2% B	8.3%	Free
	Other:			
2402.20.80	Paper-wrapped	\$2.34/Kg. + 5% B	26.0%	-
2402.20.90	Other	\$2.34/Kg. + 5% B	24.4%	Free

¹ Average incidences for 1981-83 made available for negotiations for the purpose of the adoption of the Harmonized System.

EEC Duties on Unmanufactured Tobacco

MFN (1988)

2401 10	Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped:	
		23%
10	- Flue-cured Virginia type and light air-	MIN 28 Ecu
20	cured Burley type tobacco (including	MAX 30 Ecu/
30	Burley hybrids); light air-cured	100 kg/net
41	Maryland type and fire-cured tobacco ¹ :	bound
49		
50	- Other	14%
60		MIN 28 Ecu
70		MAX 70 Ecu/
80		100 kg/net
90		bound
2401 20	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped:	
		23%
10	- Flue-cured Virginia type and light air-	MIN 28 Ecu
20	cured Burley type tobacco (including	MAX 30 Ecu/
30	Burley hybrids); light air-cured	100 kg/net
41	Maryland type and fire-cured tobacco ¹ :	
49		
50	- Other	14%
60		MIN 28 Ecu
70		MAX 70 Ecu/
80		100 kg/net
90		bound

¹ Entry under this sub-heading is subject to conditions laid down in the relevant Community provisions.

EEC Duties on Unmanufactured Tobacco (cont'd)

GSP (1988)

EC tariff heading No.	Description	GSP rate	Global community tariff quotas	
			Quota amount (tonnes)	Initial share of quota amounts allocated to Member States (tonnes)
2401 10 10 2401 20 10	Unmanufactured Virginia "flue-cured" type tobaccos	6% with min. of 16 ECU and max. of 27 ECU/100 kg.	66,950 (reserve: 1,200)	Benelux 7,098 Denmark 1,501 Germany 10,110 Greece 500 Spain 4,750 France 1,090 Ireland 1,944 Italy 3,555 Portugal 1,000 United Kingdom 34,202
2401 10 50 2401 10 70 2401 10 80 2401 10 90 2401 20 50 2401 20 70 2401 20 80 2401 20 90	Unmanufactured tobacco, other, excluding the sun-cured oriental type	14% with min. of 28 ECU and max. of 31 ECU/100 kg.	20 000 (reserve: 1 400)	Benelux 4 000 Denmark 860 Germany 2 220 Greece 20 Spain 3 940 France 1 860 Ireland 20 Italy 40 Portugal 340 United Kingdom 300

The tariff quotas apply to GSP beneficiary countries and territories with the exception of China. Imports into Spain and Portugal are subject to the customs duty established in accordance with Articles 178 and 365 of the 1985 Act of Accession.

The EEC's imports from ACP countries of Lomé Convention and Turkey are granted duty-free treatment. The EEC's imports from least-developed countries are granted duty-free treatment only so long as the quota for imports under the GSP has not been completely used up.

Tariffs of Australia

GSP rate = MFN rate minus 5 per cent for all items in this table.

HS	Description	MFN duty
2401.10	Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped:	
2401.10.1	For use, other than in the manufacture of snuff, by a person who is a manufacturer for the purposes of the Excise Act 1910:	
2401.10.11	For use in the manufacture of cigars, cheroots or cigarillos	Free B
2401.10.12	For use in the manufacture of cigarettes or of fine cut tobacco suitable for the manufacture of cigarettes	\$1.42/kg.B ¹
2401.10.13	For use in the manufacture of tobacco, NSA	\$1.07/kg.B ²
2401.10.90	Other	\$1.99/kg.B
2401.20	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped:	
2401.20.1	For use, other than in the manufacture of snuff, by a person who is a manufacturer for the purposes of the Excise Act 1901:	
2401.20.11	For use in the manufacture of cigars, cheroots or cigarillos	Free B
2401.20.12	For use in the manufacture of cigarettes or of fine cut tobacco suitable for the manufacture of cigarettes	\$1.42/kg.B ¹
2401.20.13	For use in the manufacture of tobacco, NSA	\$1.07/kg.B ²
2401.20.90	Other	\$1.99/kg.B
2401.30.00	Tobacco refuse	\$1.99/kg.B ^{1,2}
2402.10.00	Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos, containing tobacco	\$6.46/kg.B ³
2402.20.00	Cigarettes containing tobacco	\$6.83/kg.B ³

¹As prescribed by by-law, being: (a) for use by a person who is a manufacturer for the purposes of the Excise Act 1901, and also the holder of a certificate issued by the Comptroller for the purposes of this item; and (b) for use in the manufacture of cigarettes or of fine cut tobacco suitable for the manufacture of cigarettes, being cigarettes or fine cut tobacco that will contain Australian grown tobacco leaf.....\$0.47/kg.B

²As prescribed by by-law, being: (a) for use by a person who is a manufacturer for the purposes of the Excise Act 1901, and also the holder of a certificate issued by the Comptroller for the purposes of this item; and (b) for use in the manufacture of tobacco (other than snuff, cigarettes or fine cut tobacco suitable for the manufacture of cigarettes) being tobacco that will contain Australian grown tobacco leaf.....\$0.33/kg.B

³In addition, imports are subject to an excise duty of \$39.35/kg., which is levied equally on domestic and imported products. Excise rates are adjusted twice annually to reflect movements of consumer price index.

4. Product-Specific Proposals and Indicative Offers

USA - proposed the elimination of all support and protective measures on an agreed priority list of tropical agricultural products on an expedited basis, i.e. a period shorter than the ten-year period envisaged in the United States proposal on agriculture (MTN.GNG/NG6/W/17).

EEC - proposed the following orientation with respect to industrial tropical products which include manufactured tobacco:

- (i) elimination of duties for industrial tropical raw materials;
- (ii) elimination or significant reduction of duties for industrial tropical semi-processed products;
- (iii) reduction up to 50 per cent of existing duties for finished industrial tropical products.

- did not include manioc and other tropical roots, rice and raw tobacco in its offer on tropical products in MTN.GNG/NG6/W/13 and NG6/LT/3. The EEC took the view that a negotiation on these products could only be held successfully in the larger framework of the overall agricultural negotiations.

Hungary - its indicative offers of GSP improvements circulated as MTN.GNG/NG6/LT/11 include the following lists of products;

GSP dutiable items for which GSP duty-free has been offered

- 10.06 Rice:
 - 01 Rice in the husk or without the husk but still enclosed in the pericarp
- 11.02 Cereal groats and cereal meal; other worked cereal grains (for example, rolled, flaked polished, pearled or kibbled but not further prepared), except rice falling within heading No. 10.06; germ of cereals, whole, rolled, flaked or ground:
 - 99 Other
- 11.08 -00 Starches; inulin
- 24.02 Manufactured tobacco; tobacco extracts and essences:
 - 99 Other

Non-GSP items for which GSP at substantially reduced rates has been offered

- 07.06 -00 Manioc, arrowroot, salep, Jerusalem artichokes, sweet potatoes and other similar roots and tubers with high starch or inulin content, fresh or dried, whole or sliced; sago pith
- 11.01 -04 Flour of rice
- 11.04 -04 Flour and meal of sago and of roots and tubers falling within heading No. 07.06
- 19.04 Tapioca and sago; tapioca and sago substitutes obtained from potatoe or other starches:
 - 99 Other
- 24.01 Unmanufactured tobacco; tobacco refuse:
 - 99 Other

Note: Proposals which apply to tropical products generally are not included in this section. Such proposals are summarized in document MTN.GNG/NG6/W/18/Rev.1 which covers the written and oral proposals made by participants up to 18 march 1988. Some of these proposals as well as further proposals received can also be found in the indicative lists submitted by participants circulated under MTN.GNG/NG6/LT series.