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The following communication received from the delegation of Turkey in response to requests for additional trade information addressed by the United States (MTN.GNG/NG6/TI/1) is circulated to the members of the Group.

Pursuant to my letter of 20 June 1988 (MTN.GNG/NG6/TI/1/Add.6), I enclose the other information on tobacco, rice and tea which you requested in your letter of 30 March 1988.

1. Apart from the aid provided in order to reduce "input" costs in the production and processing stages, no subsidies and no price support programmes are applied to tobacco, rice or tea in Turkey.
2. The prices of these products are determined on the market by the free play of supply and demand. It should also be noted that the purchases of public bodies, which operate on the market together with private buyers, play an indicative rôle in price formation. The buying prices of these bodies are fixed for each marketing year, taking into consideration world market prices of the products in question.
  - TEKEL GENEL MÜDÜRLÜĞÜ (State economic enterprise) buys tobacco on the market. For marketing year 1988, the buying price of TEKEL GENEL MÜDÜRLÜĞÜ for one kilo of tobacco ranged from LT 750 to LT 4,400 according to quality.
  - CAY-KUR (State economic enterprise) buys tea (green tea leaves) on the market. For marketing year 1988, the buying price of CAY-KUR for one kilo of tea leaves was fixed at LT 320.
  - TOPRAK MAHSULLERI OFISI (State economic enterprise) buys rice on the market. For marketing year 1988-1989, the buying price of TOPRAK MAHSULLERI OFISI for one kilo of rice ranged from LT 400 to LT 500 according to length of grain.