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LIST OF NOTIFICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS  
ON STANDBY AND ROLLBACK

1. Standstill notifications

<u>Document</u>	<u>Notified by</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Reference to standstill commitment</u>
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1986				
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<u>MTN.GNG/W/1</u> (27 Oct 86)	Mexico	United States	Tax on imported petroleum and petroleum products	(i)
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1987				
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<u>MTN.SB/SN/1</u> (17 Jun 87)	EC	(i) United States	Customs user fee	(i)
		(ii) United States	Tax on imported petroleum and petroleum products	(i)
		(iii) United States	Department of Defense Appropriations Act in respect of machine-tools	(i)
		(iv) Indonesia	Prohibition of exports of tropical woods	(i) & (ii)
		(v) Brazil	Expansion of the list of products for which the issue of import licences is temporarily suspended	unspecified

<u>Document</u>	<u>Notified by</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Reference to standstill commitment</u>
<u>MTN.SB/SN/2</u> (18 Jun 87)	United States	Brazil	Expansion of the list of products for which the issue of import licences is temporarily restricted <sup>1</sup>	(i)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/3</u> (1 Oct 87)	Japan	United States	100% increase in customs duties on imports of certain Japanese consumer electronic goods	(i)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/4</u> (2 Oct 87)	Australia	United States	Extension and increased funding of Export Enhancement Program (EEP)	(i) & (iii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/5</u> (24 Nov 87)	Sweden	United States	Restrictions on imports of Swedish specialty steel	(i)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/6</u> (27 Nov 87)	United States	EC	New production subsidy program for long-grain rice	(iii)
<u>1988</u>				
<u>MTN.SB/SN/7</u> (11 Feb 88)	Chile	United States	Suspension of Chile from United States GSP	(i) & (iii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/8</u> (28 Mar 88)	Argentina	EC	Refunds for exports of boned beef to Venezuela	(iii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/9</u> (19 Apr 88)	United States	Canada	Import controls on dairy products	(iii)

<sup>1</sup>The United States, in its communication (MTN.SB/SN/21), stated that it withdrew this standstill notification in light of the abolition of the practices in question on 14 March 1990.

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<u>MTN.SB/SN/10</u> (19 Apr 88)	United States	Greece	Ban on imports of <sup>2</sup> almonds	(i)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/11</u> (21 Apr 88)	South Africa	Canada	Fixed quota restrictions on imports of worsted wool fabric and clothing originating in South Africa	(i)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/12</u> (26 May 88)	Chile	EC	Apple import quota system	(i)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/13</u> (10 June 88)	United States	Canada	New production subsidy program for white pea beans	(iii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/14</u> (10 June 88)	Canada	EC	Prohibition of the non-therapeutic use of substances having a hormonal action on farm animals	(i) & (ii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/15</u> (10 June 88)	United States	EC	Apple import quota system	(i)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/16</u> (10 June 88)	United States	Switzerland	Subsidy program for soybeans	(iii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/17</u> <u>/Rev.1</u> (10 Nov 88)	Brazil	United States	Restrictions on imports of 22 products from Brazil	(i) & (iii)

<sup>2</sup> Greece lifted its import ban as from 29 April 1988 and the United States subsequently confirmed at the Surveillance Body meeting on 21 June 1988 that, as a result of this development, the US notification was withdrawn (MTN.SB/6, Annex).

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<u>MTN.SB/SN/18</u> (7 Nov 88)	Argentina	United States	Agricultural export subsidy programs and targeted export assistance	(iii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/19</u> (15 Nov 88)	Australia	Sweden	Increase in levy on imports of	(iii)
<u>MTN.SB/W/9</u> (2 Feb 90)	Sweden <sup>3</sup>		sheepmeat	
<u>1990</u>				
<u>MTN.SB/SN/20</u> (22 Jan 90)	Argentina	EC	Production subsidy program for high-quality flint maize	(ii) & (iii)
<u>MTN.SB/SN/20</u> <u>/Rev. 1</u> (19 Feb 90)				
<u>MTN.SB/SN/21</u> (8 Nov 90)	United States		Status of selected standstill notifications (MTN.SB/SN/1, 2, 3 and 17)	
<u>1991</u>				
<u>MTN.SB/SN/22/</u> <u>Rev. 2</u>	Brazil, Colombia Costa Rica, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico Nicaragua, Peru, and Venezuela	Italy	Increase in selective internal taxes on coffee, cocoa and products thereof	(ii) & (iii)

<sup>3</sup>Communication from Sweden on the subject notified by Australia.

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<u>1992</u>				
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<u>MTN.SB/SN/23</u> (7 Oct 92)	Chile	United States	Extension of the Export Enhancement Programme	(i)
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<u>1993</u>				
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MTN.SB/SN/24	Chile (22 Mar 93)	EC	Introduction of Community surveillance on apple imports	unspecified
MTN.SB/SN/25	Colombia (23 Mar 93)	EC	EC banana régime	(ii) & (iii)
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## 2. Rollback communications

<u>Document</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Communication from</u>	<u>to</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Dates for Consultations</u>	<u>Outcome of consultations</u>
RBC/1 RBC/1/Add.1 RBC/1/Add.2	11.6.87 30.11.87 18.4.88	United States	Japan	QRS applied through import licensing system in particular on certain agricultural products.	10.12.87 25.4.88	(See RBC/22)
RBC/2 RBC/2/Add.1	24.7.87 27.5.88	Uruguay	EC	A wide variety of measures, including quotas, discretionary licensing and voluntary restraint arrangements, mostly on agricultural products.	3.6.88	
RBC/3 RBC/3/Add.1 RBC/3/Add.2	24.7.87 1.12.87 24.10.88	Uruguay	Japan	A wide variety of measures, including quotas, sanitary and phytosanitary regulations, production controls and internal levies, mostly on agricultural products.	11.12.87 28.10.88	(See RBC/22)
RBC/4 RBC/4/Add.1	24.7.87 2.11.87	Uruguay	United States	A wide variety of measures, including quotas, sanitary and phytosanitary regulations, "voluntary" export restraints, and packaging and labelling regulations, mostly on agricultural products.	5.11.87	
RBC/5	13.10.87	Argentina	EC	Voluntary restraints, quantitative restriction, selective internal levy and export subsidies on certain agricultural products.		

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RBC/6 RBC/6/Add.1	13.10.87 9.12.87	Argentina	Japan	Import quotas on cheese, fruit juices and corned beef	(See RBC/22)	
RBC/7 RBC /Add.1	13.10.87 31.8.88	Argentina	United States	Voluntary restraint on steel, and export subsidy on wheat	10.12.87 7.9-88	
RBC/8 RBC/8/Add.1 RBC/8/Add.2 RBC/8/Add.3 RBC/8/Add.4 RBC/8/Add.5	13.10.87 8.12.87 18.4.88 30.1.89 11.9.89 29.6.90	Hong Kong	Japan	Prior Confirmation System on import of silk fabrics, and import quota system on some agricultural, pharmaceutical and other products.	11.12.87 26.4.88 23.2.89 19.9.89	Consultations remained inconclusive on the Prior Confirmation System. Hong Kong accepted Japan's justification of import quota system on 6 items, noted Japan's implementation of Panel recommendations on 3 items, and received further clarification on 4 items (see also RBC/22).
RBC/8/Add.6	22.10.90			Hong Kong does not intend to follow up consultations on the 4 remaining items referred to above.		
RBC/9 RBC/9/Add.1 RBC/9/Add.2	16.12.87 22.4.88 11.5.89	Canada	Brazil	"The Elimination of Similarity" regulation affecting most of Brazil's imports.	5.5.88 18.5.89	
RBC/10 RBC/10/Rev.1 RBC/10/Add.1	16.12.87 22.1.88 22.1.88	Canada EC	EC Canada 4	Prohibition of the non-therapeutic use of substances having a hormonal action on farm animals. <sup>4</sup>		

<sup>4</sup> EC comments on Canada's communication.

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RBC/11 <sup>1</sup> RBC/11/Add.1	16.12.87 22.4.88	Canada	Finland	Prohibition of imports of coniferous wood from areas where Pinewood Nematode disease exists.	6.5.88	
RBC/12 <sup>2</sup> RBC/12/Add.1	16.12.87 22.4.88	Canada	Japan	Residual import quotas on fish products.	9.5.88	
RBC/13 <sup>3</sup> RBC/13/Add.1	16.12.87 22.4.88	Canada	Norway	Prohibition of imports of coniferous wood from areas where Pinewood Nematode disease exists.	6.5.88	
RBC/14 <sup>4</sup> RBC/14/Add.1	16.12.87 22.4.88	Canada	Sweden	Prohibition of imports of coniferous wood from areas where Pinewood Nematode disease exists.	6.5.88	
RBC/15	16.12.87	Canada	United States	Section 337 cases involving alleged patent infringement by Canadian companies producing electronic chime modules and cellular mobile telephones.		
RBC/16 <sup>5</sup> RBC/16/Add.1	3.2.88 9.8.88	Chile	United States	Import quotas and licensing system on cheeses.	12.8.88	
RBC/17 <sup>6</sup> RBC/17/Add.1 RBC/17/Add.2	10.3.88 3.6.88 18.6.90	Japan	EC	Discriminatory quantitative restrictions on a range of imports from Japan.	13.6.88	Elimination of a range of quantitative restrictions notified by Japan.

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RBC/18 RBC/18/Add.2	11.3.88 19.7.88	United States	EC	Quantitative restrictions on a range of agricultural and industrial items.	25.7.88	
RBC/19 RBC/19/Rev.1	15.3.88 20.12.89	EC		Elimination of a range of quantitative restrictions (see page 9).		
RBC/20	26.10.88	Argentina	United States	Export subsidies for vegetable oils.		
RBC/21	28.2.90	Romania	Sweden	Discriminatory quantitative restrictions on certain imports from Romania.		
RBC/22	29.6.90	Japan		Progress report on a number of consultations.		Termination of import allocation systems on 8 categories of agricultural products (MTN.SB/RBN/1) and other autonomous market-opening measures (L/6370).

3. Other actions on rollback

<u>Document</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Action</u>
MTN.SB/RBN/1	31.10.88	Japan	Market-opening measures through termination of import allocation systems on 8 categories of agricultural products.
MTN.SB/RBN/2	22.12.89	United States	Amendment of Superfund tax to comply with GATT Panel recommendation by bringing tax rate on domestic and imported crude oil and petroleum products to same level.
MTN.SB/RBN/3	20.2.90	Argentina	Transfer to automatic import processing from prior examination requirements for 734 tariff positions.
MTN.SB/RBN/3/ Rev.1	28.9.90	Argentina	Removal of a number of items from prior-licensing procedures.
MTN.SB/RBN/4	12.7.90	Colombia	Transfer to the free import régime from the prior licensing régime for 861 tariff items.
MTN.SB/RBN/5	22.10.90	Korea, Rep. of	Autonomous import liberalization made during the period 1986 to 1990: elimination of import surveillance system; improvement of import procedures under special laws; and implementation of Panel reports on beef import restrictions.

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MTN.SB/RBN/6	22.10.90	Finland	Removal of a number of products from the Finnish quantitative import restrictions régime.
MTN.SB/RBN/7	26.10.90	Indonesia	Autonomous trade policy measures including reduction and elimination of non-tariff measures on a number of products.
MTN.SB/RBN/8	8.11.90	United States	Revision of the customs user fee in response to GATT Panel recommendation, and reports on the status of rollback consultations with a number of participants.
MTN.SB/RBN/9	16.10.91	EC	Removal from the European Communities quantitative restrictions régime of certain residual quantitative restrictions in the motor vehicle sector.
MTN.SB/RBN/9/ Add.1	25.10.91	Germany	(Communication in connection with the EC Commission's notification, MTN.SB/RBN/9.)
MTN.SB/RBN/10	12.11.91	Venezuela	Autonomous trade liberalization measures including elimination of import prohibitions and prior licensing requirements, reduction of items subject to quantitative restrictions, reduction of tariffs, reduction of customs service fee and abolition of export subsidy or bonus programmes.
MTN.SB/RBN/11	7.4.92	Japan	Termination of Japan's import quota system for coal; establishment of a prior import confirmation system.

<u>Document</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Action</u>
RBC/19	15.3.88	EC	Conditional offer to rollback quantitative restrictions on a range of industrial and agricultural products.
RBC/19/Rev.1	20.12.89	EC	Revision of the EC's earlier offer: unconditional elimination of a range of quantitative restrictions.
L/6868 <sup>5</sup>	27.6.91	Colombia	Autonomous trade policy measure to transfer to the free import régime from the import licensing régime for a number of agricultural products.
L/6869 <sup>6</sup>	24.6.91	Colombia	Autonomous trade policy measures to reduce tariffs and the rate of the import charge on certain products.
L/7093 <sup>6</sup>	5.10.92	Colombia	Amendments to the Colombian Customs Tariff and the import tax.

<sup>5</sup> The communication was originally made in pursuance of Paragraph 3 of the 1979 Understanding Regarding Notification, Consultation, Dispute Settlement and Surveillance, and Paragraph 3 of the Declaration on Trade Measures taken for Balance-of-Payments Purposes. It was also communicated to the Surveillance Body.

<sup>6</sup> The communication was originally made in pursuance of Paragraph 3 of the above-mentioned 1979 Understanding. It was also communicated to the Surveillance Body.

4. Communications in accordance with the TNC's Decision at its mid-term review (MTN.TNC/11)

<u>Document</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Subject</u>
MTN.SB/W/6	26.6.89	Canada	Conclusion of consideration on developments related to standstill and rollback commitments' six trade liberalization measures which Canada has undertaken.
MTN.SB/W/7	30.6.89	Australia	Assessment of developments related to the standstill and rollback commitments. The document refers to a number of trade liberalization measures which Australia has undertaken.
MTN.SB/W/8	30.6.89	New Zealand	A proposal for the Surveillance Body's agreement on the ways in which the rollback commitment might be evaluated and for the Surveillance Body's recommendation to the TNC.