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### INVENTORY OF MEASURES AND MECHANISMS INFLUENCING EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

#### Note on the Tables Prepared by the Secretariat for the Meeting Commencing 18 November 1969

1. The revised inventory is contained in the following documents:

#### Measures affecting

	<u>Exports</u>	<u>Imports</u>
Dairy products	Spec (69)9/Rev.1	Spec (69)16/Rev.1
Grains	Spec (69)10/Rev.1	Spec (69)17/Rev.1
Beef and veal; other meats	Spec (69)11/Rev.1	Spec (69)18/Rev.1
Fruit and vegetables	Spec (69)12/Rev.1	Spec (69)19/Rev.1
Vegetable oils and seeds	Spec (69)13/Rev.1	Spec (69)20/Rev.1
Unmanufactured tobacco	Spec (69)14/Rev.1	Spec (69)21/Rev.1
Wine	Spec (69)15/Rev.1	Spec (69)22/Rev.1

2. The inventory was prepared by the secretariat at the request of the Committee (COM.AG/11, paragraph 18), and revised on the basis of comments made during the meeting of the Committee in March 1969, and of additional information received in response to secretariat note COM.AG/12.
3. The tables should be read in conjunction with this additional information, contained in document series COM.AG/W/-/Addenda 9 and 10. Particular attention is drawn to comments or reservations made by delegations in their replies as to the methods proposed in COM.AG/12 for measuring the incidence of various measures.
4. As with the previous tables, the classification and grouping of measures and mechanisms, as reflected in the column heading, involved a certain choice. Similarly, the decision in which column a certain trade flow should be inserted may in some cases have involved an element of judgment. A certain lack of comparability as between countries is due to the fact that the individual replies on a given commodity sector did not always cover the same products.
5. The tables on measures and mechanisms influencing exports require the following particular comments:

Columns 1 to 5 -- Figures in parentheses are estimates or figures whose coverage does not entirely coincide with the column heading.

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Columns 8 and 9 - These columns show the ratio of total export payments to, respectively, total exports and assisted exports. Where, in the absence of data on export payments, figures in these columns were obtained by an alternative method, this is generally indicated by footnotes.

6. The tables on measures and mechanisms influencing imports require the following particular comments:

Columns 1 to 7 - Figures in parentheses are estimates or figures whose coverage does not entirely coincide with the column heading.

Columns 8 and 9 - (a) Sources: information supplied by governments supplemented from national tariffs and from the GATT Tariff Study.

(b) Specific or mixed rates have where feasible been converted to their ad valorem equivalents. These are shown in parentheses. The base years for the calculations are in general the latest available, and may differ according to the source used.

(c) It was considered preferable to show most-favoured-nation rates and preferential rates separately, rather than an average of the two.

(d) Where the number of different rates applicable to a product or group of products was large, a range of rates was shown.

Columns 10 and 11 - Figures in parentheses indicate estimates by the secretariat