

# SECRET

## GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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## TARIFFS AND TRADE

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### ARTICLE XXVIII:5 NEGOTIATIONS

#### SCHEDULE I - COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

The following communication has been received from the Permanent Mission of Australia on 24 September 1987.

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I have the honour to refer to GATT document TAR/90, dated 20 November 1984, in which Australia notified the CONTRACTING PARTIES that under Article XXVIII:5 of the General Agreement it reserved the right to modify its schedule of concessions during the three-year period commencing on 1 January 1985.

Pursuant to that notification and on instruction from my Government I have the honour to inform you that Australia intends, in accordance with Article XXVIII:5 of the General Agreement, to modify a number of concessions specified in the attachment.<sup>1</sup>

Tables showing relevant trade statistics are attached to this notification.

Australia is prepared to enter into negotiations or consultations in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article XXVIII. Any contracting party which considers that it has an interest in these concessions is requested to so indicate within a period of 90 days from the date of this document.

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<sup>1</sup> English only

ATTACHMENT ACCCN  
TARIFF ITEMDESCRIPTIONBOUND RATE

ex07.02

Vegetables (whether or not cooked), preserved by freezing

- . except beans, peas
- mushrooms, olives
- potatoes, truffles

0.3 cents/kg

ex07.03

Vegetables provisionally preserved in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions, but not specially prepared for immediate consumption

- . gherkins

7.1 cents/l

ex07.04

Dried, dehydrated or evaporated vegetables, whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder, but not further prepared

- . herbs except when put up for retail sale

FREE

- . except herbs, mushrooms, truffles, potatoes, tomatoes

42 cents/kg

ex11.08

Starches, inulin

- . potato starch

FREE

ex20.01

Vegetables and fruit, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, with or without sugar, whether or not containing salt, spices or mustard

- . gherkins

12 cents/l

- . other except capers, olives

14 cents/l

ex20.02

Vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid

- . tomato paste, pulp, puree or juice

\$1.41/kg  
dry weight

- . gherkins packed in liquid or airtight containers

12 cents/l

- . other vegetables packed in liquid or airtight containers except asparagus, capers, olives, potatoes, tomatoes, truffles, mushrooms

14 cents/l

Initial negotiator rights are accorded to:

- . Italy in respect of the concessions on gherkins of ex07.03, ex20.01 and ex 20.02.
- . Benelux in respect of the concession on potato starch of ex11.08.
- . France and Italy in respect of the concession on tomato paste, pulp, puree or juice of ex20.02.
- . France in respect of the concession on other vegetables of ex20.02.

AUSTRALIAN IMPORT CLEARANCES

Tariff Item' ex 07.02.900 (SK 98, 145 258) Vegetables (whether or not cooked), preserved by freezing except beans, peas, mushrooms, truffles, olives and potatoes.

Origin	Quantity (1000 kg)				Value (\$A1000)			
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
New Zealand	418	537	1274	743	513	521	1263	766
USA	622	602	832	685	579	665	1050	765
Netherlands	595	588	487	557	384	647	327	453
Belgium-Luxembourg	693	505	500	566	364	297	457	373
Israel	-	57	494	184	-	51	539	197
Other	17	57	36	37	22	60	97	59
TOTAL GATT	2345	2346	3623	2771	1862	2242	3733	2612

Tariff Item ex 07.03.900 (SK 141) Vegetables provisionally preserved in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions, but not specially prepared for immediate consumption: Gherkins.

Origin	Quantity (1000 units)				Value (\$A1000)			
	(litres)	(litres)	(NC)	(NC)				
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
Italy	-	8	20	10	-	6	18	8
Spain	-	-	26	9	-	-	23	8
Germany, F.R.	13	-	-	4	9	-	-	3
Czechoslovakia	-	-	12	4	-	-	6	2
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL GATT</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>20</b>

NC: Not Comparable

Tariff Item ex 07.04.500 (SK 55) Dried, dehydrated or evaporated vegetables, whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder, but not further prepared: Herbs, except when put up for retail sale.

Origin	Quantity (1000 kg)				Value (\$A1000)			
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
USA	41	149	159	117	248	638	838	574
Germany, F.R.	72	41	35	49	349	194	186	243
France	34	24	16	25	84	76	56	72
Denmark	-	-	4	1	-	-	135	45
Hong Kong	6	..	5	4	75	5	50	43
Greece	8	6	10	8	26	24	50	33
Cyprus	14	8	-	7	32	20	-	17
India	6	3	9	6	7	4	16	9
Egypt	2	5	3	3	5	8	6	6
New Zealand	..	-	..	..	2	-	..	1
Other	5	4	11	7	15	27	35	26
TOTAL GATT	189	242	252	227	842	995	1371	1069

Tariff Item 07.04.900 (SK 57,68 79) Dried, dehydrated or evaporated vegetables, whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder, but not further prepared: Other than herbs, mushrooms, truffles, potatoes and tomatoes.

Origin	Quantity (1000 kg)				Value (\$A1000)			
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
USA	1404	1465	1419	1429	4674	5276	5209	5053
New Zealand	306	241	165	237	1381	1102	831	1105
Germany, F.R.	.63	77	76	72	281	316	467	353
Israel	102	106	116	108	259	315	442	339
Japan	4	4	4	4	80	52	95	76
Netherlands	3	24	4	10	18	120	28	55
Denmark	1	1	2	2	46	54	45	48
Spain	12	2	25	13	32	4	65	34
Hong Kong	7	6	5	6	30	19	24	24
Turkey	10	3	-	4	55	11	-	22
France	3	3	1	3	26	31	9	22
Other	17	15	30	21	67	69	127	88
<b>TOTAL CATT</b>	<b>1934</b>	<b>1947</b>	<b>1848</b>	<b>1909</b>	<b>6948</b>	<b>7366</b>	<b>7340</b>	<b>7218</b>

Tariff Item 11.08.100 (SK 48) Potato Starch.

Origin	Quantity (1000 kg)				Value (\$A1000)			
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
Netherlands	1483	1188	1577	1416	548	485	716	583
Germany, F.R.	241	401	597	413	90	143	250	161
France	197	36	381	205	75	14	163	84
Japan	1	2	7	3	2	6	20	9
Other	54	20	22	32	24	14	9	16
TOTAL GATT	1976	1648	2583	2069	738	663	1158	853



**Tariff Item 20.01.400** Vegetables and fruit, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, with or without sugar, whether or not containing salt, spices or mustard: Gherkins and cucumbers.

Origin	Quantity (1000 units)				Value (\$A1000)			
	(litres)	(litres)	(NC)	(NC)				
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
Canada	617	679	407	568	701	938	1123	921
Czechoslovakia	448	256	73	259	352	262	97	237
Poland	235	159	190	195	175	190	288	218
Yugoslavia	150	318	164	211	115	240	185	180
Germany, F.R.	173	235	127	178	140	183	192	172
Hungary	391	363	337	364	141	140	153	145
Italy	31	51	103	62	48	78	207	111
Austria	51	104	73	76	57	120	148	109
Netherlands	28	71	46	48	19	57	68	48
Other	54	88	64	69	67	110	112	96
<b>TOTAL GATT</b>	<b>2178</b>	<b>2324</b>	<b>1584</b>	<b>2029</b>	<b>1816</b>	<b>2318</b>	<b>2572</b>	<b>2235</b>

NC: Not Comparable

**Tariff Item 20.01.900** Vegetables and fruit, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, with or without sugar, whether or not containing salt, spices or mustard: Other than capers, olives, gherkins or cucumbers.

Origin	Quantity (1000 units)				Value (\$A1000)			
	(litres)	(litres)	(NC)	(NC)	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average				
United Kingdom	443	545	304	431	892	992	795	893
Italy	210	254	187	217	271	398	422	364
USA	40	493	585	373	12	406	610	343
Yugoslavia	304	268	173	248	263	292	189	248
Japan	22	28	44	31	92	122	233	149
India	60	74	61	65	106	140	142	129
Canada	65	72	45	61	79	126	135	113
Hong Kong	59	64	32	51	110	116	84	103
Thailand	32	62	78	57	46	102	109	86
Israel	87	69	181	113	78	73	83	78
Germany, F.R.	87	22	37	49	88	26	57	57
Spain	63	59	35	52	29	33	37	33
Hungary	22	165	26	71	10	67	12	30
New Zealand	1	50	16	22	2	37	10	17
Other	139	47	66	84	74	64	120	86
<b>TOTAL GATT</b>	<b>1636</b>	<b>2270</b>	<b>1870</b>	<b>1925</b>	<b>2153</b>	<b>2995</b>	<b>3038</b>	<b>2728</b>

NC: Not Comparable

Tariff Item ex 20.02.610 (SK 213) Vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid: Tomato paste, pulp, puree or juice.

Origin	Quantity (1000 kg)				Value (\$A1000)			
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
Italy	110	178	122	137	464	719	665	616
New Zealand	18	37	854	303	97	131	1074	434
Israel	61	161	67	97	302	659	337	432
Portugal	168	-	-	56	524	-	-	175
Greece	79	40	28	47	200	126	97	141
Spain	3	50	2	18	17	153	2	57
Mexico	68	-	-	23	162	-	-	54
Other	11	12	32	19	29	16	37	28
<b>TOTAL GATT</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>1105</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>1796</b>	<b>1804</b>	<b>2212</b>	<b>1937</b>

**Tariff Items ex 20.02.690 (SK 21X and 220) and 20.02.910 Vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, packed in liquid or in airtight containers: Other than gherkins, asparagus, capers, mushrooms and truffles, olives, potatoes, cucumbers and tomatoes.**

Origin	Quantity (1000 units)				Value (\$A1000)			
	(Litres) 1983/84	(Litres) 1984/85	(NC) 1985/86	(NC) 3 year average	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
Italy	4688	7646	4571	5635	3056	5203	3233	3831
Spain	1233	1430	1016	1226	963	1452	1238	1218
New Zealand	2023	1738	1040	1601	1368	1313	768	1150
Israel	857	1499	517	958	500	1022	402	641
USA	121	202	220	181	131	338	364	278
Netherlands	228	133	198	186	249	133	259	213
Greece	162	221	170	185	155	214	239	203
Thailand	149	177	224	183	133	240	226	200
Hungary	4	807	11	274	2	368	7	126
Japan	17	18	17	17	83	95	103	94
Hong Kong	67	39	68	58	75	63	141	93
Turkey	65	74	87	75	68	76	113	86
France	20	12	16	16	36	51	111	66
Singapore	29	34	45	36	42	60	92	65
Germany, F.R.	37	45	59	47	34	45	49	43
Other	125	187	154	155	164	254	229	216
<b>TOTAL GATT</b>	<b>9827</b>	<b>14263</b>	<b>8414</b>	<b>10834</b>	<b>7057</b>	<b>10926</b>	<b>7572</b>	<b>8519</b>

NC: Not Comparable

Tariff Item ex 20.02.700 (SK 54 and 65) Vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, packed in liquid or in airtight containers:  
Gherkins and cucumbers.

Origin	Quantity (1000 units)				Value (\$A1000)			
	(litres)	(litres)	(NC)	(NC)	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average
	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	3 year average				
Italy	1612	1252	1576	1480	1083	770	1181	1011
Spain	368	362	861	530	226	227	662	372
Israel	151	192	86	143	108	105	95	103
Czechoslovakia	- 79	121	32	77	58	118	38	71
USA	337	-	60	132	172	-	33	68
Poland	84	83	-	56	39	96	-	45
Germany, F.R.	28	68	33	43	25	68	36	43
Greece	59	217	1	92	23	95	1	40
Canada	31	20	12	21	24	25	11	20
Netherlands	47	5	5	19	31	6	6	14
Hong Kong	9	9	4	7	12	17	11	13
Other	55	45	5	35	24	25	9	19
TOTAL GATT	2860	2374	2675	2636	1823	1554	2082	1820
NC: Not Comparable								