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**GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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**NEGOTIATIONS UNDER ARTICLE XXVIII:5**

**Schedule XX - United States of America**

The following communication dated 28 June 1994, has been received from the United States.

In accordance with the provisions and procedures of Article XXVIII, paragraph 5 of the General Agreement, the United States hereby provides notification that it intends to modify certain concessions on items included in Schedule XX annexed to the General Agreement.

The United States is prepared to enter into negotiations and consultations with the appropriate contracting parties (including initial negotiating rights holders Dominican Republic, Greece, Turkey, and the United Kingdom) under Article XXVIII for modification of its concessions with respect to tobacco.

Enclosed is the list of items with respect to which the United States intends to modify its concessions and the related statistics.

1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
7,163	10,326	12,044	10,844	leaf, whole five-cured and burley leaf
880	739	911	843	leaf, hand-stemmed five-cured
28,346	83,389	126,686	89,474	stemmed/stripped, threshed five-cured and burley leaf
11,783	19,627	74,873	32,438	uncut stems

1. List of Items Intended to be Modified

2401.10.60	Whole flue-cured and burley leaf MFN Duty 28.1 c/kg
2401.20.30	Hand-stemmed flue-cured leaf MFN Duty 44.1 c/kg + 92.9 c/kg on wrapper tobacco content
2401.20.80	Stemmed/stripped and threshed flue-cured and burley leaf MFN Duty 44.1 c/kg
2401.30.30	Uncut stems MFN Duty free
2401.30.60	Cut, ground or pulverized stems MFN Duty \$1.21/kg
2401.30.90	Cigar/cigarette scrap including oriental MFN Duty 35.5 c/kg
2403.10.00	Smoking tobacco, bulk and packaged MFN Duty 38.6 c/kg
2403.91.40	Homogenized sheet, not for cigar wrapper or binder MFN Duty 44.1 c/kg
2403.99.00	Snuff, blended strips, etc. MFN Duty 38.6 c/kg

2. Import Statistics/Metric Tons

	1990	1991	1992	3 yr avg
2401.10.60 leaf, whole flue-cured and burley	7,163	10,326	15,044	10,844
2401.20.30 leaf, hand-stemmed flue-cured	880	739	911	843
2401.20.80 stemmed/stripped, threshed flue-cured and burley leaf	58,346	83,389	126,686	89,474
2401.30.30 uncut stems	11,783	19,657	74,873	35,438

2401.30.60 cut, ground or pulverized stems	203	809	1,876	963
2401.30.90 cigar/cigarette scrap including oriental	5,593	5,164	1,364	4,040
2403.10.00 smoking tobacco, bulk, packaged	873	1,083	1,245	1,067
2403.91.40 homogenized sheet, not for cigar wrapper or binder	0	4	128	44
2403.99.00 snuff, blended strips, etc.	86	32	119	79

3. U.S. Imports by Country of Origin/Metric Tons

## 2401.10.60 Whole flue-cured and burley leaf

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Guatemala	2,391	2,294	7,147	36%
Canada	1,267	1,542	3,424	19%
Italy	481	2,593	473	11%
All Others	3,024	3,897	4,000	34%
Total	7,163	10,326	15,044	100%

## 2401.20.30 Hand-stemmed flue-cured leaf

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
China, PRC	524	444	258	48%
Guatemala	0	216	617	33%
All Others	356	79	36	19%
Total	880	739	911	100%

## 2401.20.80 Stemmed/stripped and threshed flue-cured and burley leaf

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Brazil	28,693	35,228	50,534	43%
All Others	29,653	48,161	76,152	57%
Total	58,346	83,389	126,686	100%

## 2401.30.30 Uncut stems

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Brazil	6,509	9,539	29,893	43%
Argentina	1,550	2,781	6,655	10%
All Others	3,724	7,337	38,325	47%
Total	11,783	19,657	74,873	100%

## 2401.30.60 Cut, ground or pulverized stems

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Canada	53	789	1,836	93%
All Others	150	20	40	7%
Total	203	809	1,876	100%

## 2401.30.90 Cigar/cigarette scrap including oriental

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Turkey	3,488	3,523	354	61%
Dominican Republic	372	431	439	10%
All Others	1,733	1,210	571	29%
Total	5,593	5,164	1,364	100%

## 2403.10.00 Smoking tobacco, bulk and packaged

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Denmark	428	361	319	35%
Canada	71	304	495	27%
Belgium- Luxembourg	267	277	290	26%
All Others	107	141	141	12%
Total	873	1,083	1,245	100%

## 2403.91.40 Homogenized sheet, nor for cigar wrapper or binder

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Canada	0	0	123	93%
All Others	0	4	5	7%
Total	0	4	128	100%

## 2403.99.00 Snuff, blended strips, etc.

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Netherlands	2	3	68	31%
Denmark	24	19	5	20%
Belgium- Luxembourg	35	0	0	15%
Italy	0	0	33	14%
United Kingdom	13	6	8	11%
All Others	12	4	5	9%
Total	86	32	119	100%

4. U.S. Imports by Country of Origin/thousands of dollars

## 2401.10.60 Whole flue-cured and burley leaf

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Guatemala	\$5,106	\$4,613	\$17,406	\$9,042
Canada	\$4,406	\$5,491	\$11,219	\$7,039
Italy	\$508	\$4,315	\$1,224	\$2,016
All Others	\$3,528	\$6,181	\$8,549	\$6,086
Total	\$13,548	\$20,600	\$38,398	\$24,182

## 2401.20.30 Hand-stemmed flue-cured leaf

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
China, PRC	\$1,030	\$920	\$612	\$854
Guatemala	0	\$933	\$435	\$456
All Others	\$1,464	\$178	\$91	\$578
Total	\$2,494	\$2,031	\$1,138	\$1,888

## 2401.20.80 Stemmed/stripped and threshed flue-cured and burley leaf

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Brazil	\$93,119	\$132,784	\$215,940	\$147,281
All Others	\$87,483	\$153,521	\$246,859	\$162,621
Total	\$180,602	\$286,305	\$462,799	\$309,902

2401.30.30 Uncut stems

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Brazil	\$2,229	\$4,161	\$15,434	\$7,275
Argentina	\$524	\$1,033	\$2,691	\$1,416
All Others	\$1,211	\$3,159	\$16,715	\$7,028
Total	\$3,924	\$8,353	\$34,840	\$15,719

2401.30.60 Cut, ground or pulverized stems

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Canada	\$61	\$1,194	\$3,160	\$1,472
All Others	\$23	\$11	\$14	\$16
Total	\$84	\$1,205	\$3,174	\$1,488

2401.30.90 Cigar/cigarette scrap including oriental

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Turkey	\$1,473	\$1,430	\$494	\$1,132
Dominican Republic	\$772	\$759	\$698	\$73
All Others	\$863	\$869	\$760	\$831
Total	\$3,108	\$3,058	\$1,952	\$2,702

## 2403.10.00 Smoking tobacco, bulk and packaged

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Denmark	\$2,093	\$1,901	\$1,777	\$1,924
Canada	\$698	\$5,607	\$9,109	\$5,118
Belgium- Luxembourg	\$1,260	\$1,275	\$1,204	\$1,246
All Others	\$1,346	\$1,584	\$1,311	\$1,414
Total	\$5,337	\$10,367	\$13,401	\$9,702

## 2403.91.40 Homogenized sheet, not for cigar wrapper or binder

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Canada	0	0	\$177	\$59
All Others	\$7	\$14	\$16	\$12
Total	\$7	\$14	\$193	\$71

## 2403.99.00 Snuff, blended strips, etc.

	1990	1991	1992	3 year avg share
Netherlands	\$90	\$127	\$940	\$386
Denmark	\$159	\$146	\$69	\$125
Belgium- Luxembourg	\$171	0	0	\$57
Italy	0	0	\$59	\$20
United Kingdom	\$99	\$162	\$206	\$156
All Others	\$48	\$67	\$26	\$47
Total	\$567	\$502	\$1,300	\$790