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Schedule CXL – European Communities

The following communication, dated 2 July 2003, has been received from the Permanent Delegation of the European Communities.

In accordance with the provisions and procedures of Article XXVIII, paragraph 5 of the General Agreement, the European Communities hereby provides notification that it intends to modify concessions on items 100620 (husked rice) and 100630 (milled rice) included in Schedule CXL of the European Communities annexed to the General Agreement.

The European Communities is prepared to enter into negotiations and consultations with the appropriate Members under Article XXVIII for the modification of concessions with respect to the above-mentioned tariff lines.

Statistics of imports of the products involved, by country of origin, are enclosed.¹

¹In English only.

Imports into the EU of husked or brown rice (HS 1006 20 in MT)

	Marketing year 1999/2000	Marketing year 2000/2001	Marketing year 2001/2002
Argentina	0	0	474
Aruba	0	2.754	0
Australia	18.116	12.878	12.767
Bahrain	772	0	0
Bangladesh	0	4	22
Bhutan	0	10	0
Bolivia	0	0	2
Brazil	0	0	48
Cameroon	0	0	3
Canada	775	32	37
China	1	141	188
Colombia	600	3	0
Cyprus	0	663	0
Ecuador	3	3	2
Egypt	0	304	33
Guyana	81.505	88.996	95.056
India	132.279	163.251	167.660
Indonesia	0	43	110
Iran	0	5	0
Israel	0	0	3
Japan	5	4	1
Lao (People's Dem. Rep.)	4	13	21
Lebanon	1	0	0
Madagascar	88	0	0
Myanmar	0	1	110
N.det.Extra	0	1	0
Norway	3	0	9
Pakistan	55.750	63.058	50.897
Panama	0	42	0
Philippines	2	43	0
Pitcairn	0	0	8
Poland	0	0	2
Russia	0	0	4
Saudi Arabia	0	17	0
Sierra Leone	2	0	0
South Korea	0	0	1
Sri Lanka	82	148	107
Surinam	33.271	27.753	17.115
Switzerland	36	14	12
Thailand	41.138	45.663	54.063
Turkey	4	40	9
U. A. Emirates	17	50	45
Uruguay	0	61	1
USA	200.118	193.068	158.442
Vietnam	2	41	13
	564.572	599.104	557.260

Imports into the EU of semi-milled or wholly milled rice (HS 1006 30 in MT)

	Marketing year 1999/2000	Marketing year 2000/2001	Marketing year 2001/2002
Argentina	1	0	0
Aruba	10.572	13.175	17.363
Australia	1.863	360	1.356
Bangladesh	7	0	301
Brazil	1	0	7
Bulgaria	0	15	43
Cambodia	0	0	2.085
Canada	37	46	64
China	188	449	651
Chinese Taipei	42	42	86
Colombia	3	1	0
Croatia	0	24	48
Cyprus	0	21	0
Czech Rep.	4	6	0
Ecuador	18	21	41
Egypt	7	50	42
Estonia	1	1	0
Former Y.Rep. of Macedonia	0	0	0
Guinea Bissau	0	0	0
Guyana	0	28	6
Hong Kong, China	65	21	0
India	2.450	2.323	1.380
Indonesia	0	6	0
Iran	0	1	4
Israel	495	0	0
Japan	116	101	46
Jordan	280	0	0
Lao ((People's Dem. Rep.))	11	12	9
Latvia	1	0	0
Macao, China	0	0	1
Madagascar	732	146	341
Mauritius	42	0	0
Morocco	15	0	0
Mozambique	44	0	0
N.det.Extra	0	20	0
Nl Antilles	16.728	3.431	3.000
Norway	5	2	32
Pakistan	2.499	3.290	3.228
Panama	0	0	20
Peru	2	0	0
Philippines	3	0	0
Poland	0	0	27
Romania	2	0	0
Russia	22	0	5
Saudi Arabia	3	8	9
Singapore	6	6	1
Slovenia	60	0	0

	Marketing year 1999/2000	Marketing year 2000/2001	Marketing year 2001/2002
South Africa	0	0	0
South Korea	6	4	58
Sri Lanka	207	348	331
St. Vincent	91	186	148
St.P. Extra	0	0	4
Surinam	2.365	2.768	2.431
Switzerland	92	101	68
Syria	43	215	0
Thailand	35.446	41.547	54.355
Togo	0	21	0
Turkey	55	56	178
Turks, Caicos	541	0	85
U.A. Emirates	10	26	8
Uruguay	3.436	4.017	3.889
USA	55.307	55.346	41.761
Vietnam	124	307	105
	134.045	128.549	133.614