# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE 

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## ARTICLE XXVIII:5 NEGOTIATIONS <br> Schedule XIV - Norway

The following communication, dated 15 February 1983, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Norway.

The Government of Norway has notified the contracting parties that it reserved the right, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 5 of Article XXVIII of the General Agreement, to modify its schedule of concessions during the three-year period commencing on 1 January 1982, cf. document TAR/43 dated 23 December 1981.

I have now the honour to ask you to notify the contracting parties that Norway intends to modify concessions in its schedule contained in CCON Chapters 51 to 62. The concessions to be modified together with relevant import statistics are detailed at Annex. 1

The background for the modification is the need for simplification of the Norwegian customs tariff, i.e. simplification of the sub-headings of the CCCN four-digit headings. Due account has also been taken of the plans for the Harmonized System so that the system can easily be introduced.

The modification follows in all essentials the principle set out in document TAR/W/25/Rev.2. As a main rule we are offering bindings at a lower or the same level as up to now. We have, however, for technical reasons been obliged to increase the rates for a very limited number of sub-headings. In these cases the new bindings have been fixed by applying the existing rates of the sub-heading or the sub-headings with the majority of trade. Some specific rates of duty have been converted into ad valorem duties. For these sub-headings we have, to the extent possible, given the import value for the years 1979-81. The modification will also result in bindings of some rates which up to now have been unbound.

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The modification has affected fifty-two CCCN headings with the effect that:

- for seventy-three bindings the rates of duty have been reduced (total import value $\$ 82.9$ million ${ }^{1}$ ),
- for eighty-four bindings the rates of duty have been maintained unchanged (total import value $\$ 267.0 \mathrm{million}$ ), and
- for eighteen bindings the rates of duty have been increased (total import value $\$ 6.4$ million).

To sum up: of a total import value of $\$ 356.4 \mathrm{million}$ the rates of duty have been maintained unchanged for about 75 per cent, the rates of duty have been lowered for about 23 per cent and increased for about 2 per cent of the total value.

It has been proposed to convert twenty-two bindings with specific rates of duty into ad valorem duties. The total import value under these bindings amounted in 1980 to $\$ 9.5$ million.

The import value of the goods falling under the new bindings, i.e. not covered by existing bindings, amounted in 1980 to $\$ 374.1$ million.

Norway is prepared, if requested, to enter into negotiations or consultations in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article XXVIII.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { rariff } \\ & \text { item } \\ & \text { to. } \end{aligned}$ | Descrintion of products. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Conces- } \\ & \text { sion } \\ & 1987 . \end{aligned}$ | INR. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { New Ta- } \\ & \text { riff } \\ & \text { item No } \end{aligned}$ | New description of products. | conce:::ion. |
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| 51.01 | Yurll of man-made fibres (cont Inuous), not put up for retail <br>  <br> A. Of synthetic textite fibres <br> U. Of regenerated textile fibres: <br> 1. Weighing less than 6,6 milligrams per metre (60 deniter) <br> 2. Other | Free $\begin{aligned} & 1 ; 73 \\ & 2,94 \end{aligned}$ | , | 51.01 | Yarn of man-made fibres (continuous), not put up for retail sale | Free |
| 51.02 | Monofil, strip (artificial straw and the liket and imitation catgut, of min-made fibre materials: <br> A. Ol synthetic textile materials <br> u: Of regenerated textile maturials | Free 1.58 |  | 51.02 | Monofil, strip (artificial straw and the like) and imitation catcut, of man-made fibre materials | Free |
| 51.03 | Yurn of man-made fibres (conti(luous), put up for retail sale: <br> A. Of synthetic textite fibres <br> u. of regenerated textite fibres: <br> 1. Weighing less than 6,6 milligrams per metre (60 denier) <br> 2. Other | free $\begin{aligned} & 1,86 \\ & 3,19 \end{aligned}$ |  | 51.03 | Yarn of man-made fibres (conti. nuous), put up for retail sale | Free |


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| $51.04$ | Woven fabrics of man-made fibres (cullinuous), including woven fabrics of monofil or strip of heading No. 51.01 or 51.02: <br> A. Cuntaining more than $10 \%$ by weight of silk <br> B. Other <br> but not less than | $\begin{aligned} & 3,2 \% \\ & 23 \% \\ & 10,00 \\ & \text { STATIS } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | UK, DE , IT. <br> STICS. | 51.04 | Woven fabrics of man-made fibres (continuous), including woven fabrics of monofil or strip of heading No. 51.01 or 51.02 |  | 23\% |
|  | Descrintion of products | Concession 1987. | Country |  | $\begin{gathered} 1979 \\ \text { ( NOK } 1000 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1980 \\ (\text { NOK } 1000 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1981 \\ (\text { NOr: } 1000) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\because .04$ | A. Containing more than $10 \%$ by weight of silk | 3,2\% | United Unspe | Kingdom ified | $\begin{aligned} & 63 \\ & 45 \end{aligned}$ | 62 | 165 |







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| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Mriff } \\ & \text { item } \end{aligned}$ | Descrintion of products | Concession 1987. | Country | $\begin{gathered} 1979 \\ \text { ( NOK } 1000 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1980 \\ (\text { NOK 1000) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1981 \\ (\text { NOK } 1000) \end{gathered}$ |
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| $56.07$ | A. Containing more than $10 \%$ by weight of silk | $3,2 \%$ | E.E.C. <br> Unspecified | $\begin{array}{r} 501 \\ 51 \end{array}$ | 256 | 176 |








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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { uriff } \\ & \text { item } \\ & \text { in. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Descrintion of products |  | Concession 1987 | Country | $\begin{gathered} 1979 \\ \text { ( NoK } 1000 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1980 \\ (\text { NOK 1000) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 19 \mathrm{l} \\ (\text { Nor: } 1000) \end{gathered}$ |
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| $\begin{array}{r} \because .07 \\ \vdots \text { ont. }) \\ \vdots \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C.2.a. Braids and floating } \\ & \text { lines } \end{aligned}$ | 1.c. | 7.00 | E.E.C. <br> Sweden <br> Switzerland <br> Finland <br> Unspecified | $\begin{array}{r} 64 \\ 55 \\ 83 \\ 137 \\ 127 \end{array}$ | 683 | $\begin{aligned} & 237 \\ & 239 \\ & 261 \end{aligned}$ |
| $i$ | C.2.b. Other | 1.c. | 14,00 | E.E.C. Sweden | $\begin{aligned} & 570 \\ & 285 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 404 \\ & 239 \end{aligned}$ | 953 |


| $\begin{aligned} & \text {.riff } \\ & \text { rem } \\ & \text { so. } \end{aligned}$ | Description of products. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Conces- } \\ & \text { sion } \\ & 1987 . \end{aligned}$ | INR. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { New Ta- } \\ & \text { riff } \\ & \text { item No } \end{aligned}$ | New description of products. |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { New } \\ & \text { conces- } \\ & \text { sion. } \end{aligned}\right.$ |
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| $3.08$ | Tulle and other net fabrics but not including woven, knitted or crocheted fabrics), plain: <br> A. Tulle: <br> 1. Containing silk or <br> - continuous man-made textile fibres <br> 2. Other <br> B. Other: <br> 1. Containing silk or continuous man-made textile fibres but not less than <br> 2. Other | $\begin{array}{r} 16,66 \\ 8,5 \% \end{array}$ $4,09$ $7,7 \%$ <br> STATIS | IT. <br> TICS. | $58.08$ | Tulle and other net fabrics (but not including woven, knitted or crocheted fabrics), plain |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { riff } \\ & \text { tenn } \\ & \text { vo. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Descrintion of products | Concession 1987. | Coun |  | $\begin{gathered} 1979 \\ \text { (NOK } 1000 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1980 \\ (\text { NOK } 1000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 19 \mathrm{Fl} \\ (\text { NOK } 1000) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\therefore .08$ | A.l. Containing silk or continuous man-made textile fibres | 16,66 | Unspe | ified | 50 | 50 | 17 |





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| Tariff item No. | Description of products. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Conces- } \\ & \text { sion } \\ & 1987 . \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | INR. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { New Ta- } \\ & \text { riff } \\ & \text { item No } \end{aligned}$ | New description of products. | New conces- sion. |
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| 61.11 | Made up accessories for articles of apparel (for example, dress shields, shoulder and other pads, belts, muffs, sleeve protectors, pockets): <br> A. Containing silk or continuous man-made textile fibres but not less than <br> B. Other | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \% \\ & 25,00 \\ & 23 \% \end{aligned}$ |  | 61.11 | Made up accessories for articles of apparel (for example, dress shields, shoulder and other pads, belts, muffs, sleeve protectors, pockets) | 23\% |





[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ English only

