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RECTIFICATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE XLII - ISRAEL

The following communication, dated 4 August 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Israel.

Pursuant to the procedures for modification and rectification of schedules of tariff concessions contained in the Decision of 26 March 1980 (BISD 27S/25), Israel hereby notifies WTO Members of the draft technical rectifications to Schedule XLII set out in the Annexes¹.

In the course of preparing its tariff rate quota notification to the Committee on Agriculture, Israel identified some inaccuracies in the way that its tariff quota concessions are reflected in Part I, Section I-B of its Uruguay Round Schedule, the full Schedule that was certified in WT/Let/932, and in the transposition of its concessions into Harmonized System 2002 (HS2002) that was certified in document WT/Let/1070.

The proposed rectifications, of a technical nature, do not affect the scope of the concessions, and seek to more precisely reflect the commitments undertaken by Israel.

Detailed explanatory notes and tables with the draft rectifications are contained in Annex 1, whereas the draft rectification is contained in Annex $2.^1$

If no objection is notified to the Secretariat within three months from the date of this document, the rectifications and modifications to Schedule XLII - Israel will be deemed to be approved and will be formally certified.

ANNEX 1 – EXPLANATORY NOTE

In the course of preparing its tariff rate quota notification to the Committee on Agriculture, Israel identified some inaccuracies in the way that its tariff quota concessions are reflected in Part I, Section I-B in its UR Schedule, the full Schedule that was certified in WT/Let/932, and in the transposition of its concessions into the Harmonized System 2002 (HS2002) that was certified in document WT/Let/1070. After discussing the issue with the WTO Secretariat, Israel proposes to rectify the relevant discrepancies as set out below.

(i) Rectification of errors in Israel's Uruguay Round Schedule

1. In Part I, Section I.B, of Israel's UR Schedule, the tariff number 1516.11.100 for the tariff quota on Edible fats and oils is an invalid HS code and should be corrected to 1516.1**0**11. The error in this tariff code was already rectified in Part I, Section I-A in the certified full Schedule in WT/Let/932. To accurately reflect Israel's commitments, the following rectification is proposed:

Uruguay Round schedule, Section I.B Tariff Quotas											
Description of	Tariff item	Initial quota		Final quota		Implementation	Initial	Other terms and			
products	number	Quantity (Tons)	Tariff rate	Quantity (Tons)	Tariff rate	period from/to	negotiating right	conditions			
Edible fats and oils	1516.11.100	450	0.8 \$/kg but not less than 12%	750	0.8 \$/kg but not less than 12%	1995 - 2004					

Proposed Rectification										
Description of	Tariff item	Initial quota		Final quota		Implementation	Initial	Other terms and		
products	number	umber Quantity		Quantity	Tariff	period from/to	negotiating right	conditions		
		(Tons)	rate	(Tons)	rate					
Edible fats and oils	1516.1011	450	0.8 \$/kg but not less than 12%	750	0.8 \$/kg but not less than 12%	1995 - 2004				

* Bold represents the revision.

(ii) Rectification of errors of the HS2002 transposition in WT/Let/1070

2. In Part I, Section I.B, of Israel's HS2002 transposition, some of the tariff lines relating to the tariff quota on "Citrus juices, concentrated", do not match the description of the tariff quota and should be removed. Tariff lines 20091200, 20092100 and 20093100 with description "Of a brix value less than 20" do not correspond to concentrated juices. In addition, 20091100 is a subheading under which there are five tariff lines. Only two of them are of concentrated juices: 20091110 and 20091120. These two tariff lines were expressed as tariff line 2009.11.00 in Part I, Section I-A of the full schedule that was certified in WT/Let/932, so they would also need to be rectified in Part I, Section I A (tariffs). The other three are of non-concentrated juices. To accurately reflect Israel's commitments, the following rectification is proposed:

WT/Let/1070										
Description of products	Tariff item number	Initial quota		Final quota		Implementation	Initial	Other terms and		
		Quantity (Tons)	Tariff rate	Quantity (Tons)	Tariff rate	period from/to	negotiating right	conditions		
Citrus juices,		100		160		1995 - 2004				
concentrated	20091100		26		26					
	20091200		26		26					
	20091900		26		26					
	20092100		26		26					
	20092900		26		26					
	20093100 20093900		26 26		26 26					

Proposed rectification										
Description of products	Tariff item number	Initial quota		Final quota		Implementation	Initial negotiating	Other		
		Quantity (Tons)	Tariff rate	Quantity (Tons)	Tariff rate	period from/to	right	terms and conditions		
Citrus juices,		100		160		1995 - 2004				
concentrated	20091110		26		26					
	20091120		26		26					
	20091900		26		26					
	20092900		26		26					
	20093900		26		26					

* Bold represents the revision.

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ANNEX 2 – DRAFT RECTIFICATION

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PART I - MOST-FAVOURED-NATION TARIFF SECTION I – Agricultural products SECTION I–A – Tariffs

Tariff item		Bound rate	of duty			
number		Ad valorem		Special		Other duties
(HS2012)	Description of products	(%)	Other	safeguard	INR	and charges
2009	Fruit juices (including grape must) and vegetable juices, unfermented and not containing added spirit, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter.					
2009.1	- Orange juice					
2009.11	Frozen					
2009.11.10	Concentrated, in packages containing 100 kg or more:	120				0
2009.11.20	Concentrated, Other	120				0
2009.11.30	In packages containing 100 kg or more	120				0
2009.11.40	In packages containing 230 kg or more	120				0
2009.11.90	Other juices	120				0

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PART I - MOST-FAVOURED-NATION TARIFF SECTION I – Agricultural products SECTION I–B – Tariff Quotas

Description of products	Tariff item number (HS2012)	Initial tariff quota quantity and Base rate of duty		Final tariff quota quantity and Bound rate of duty		Implementation period From / To	Initial negotiating right	Other terms and conditions
		Tons	%	Tons	%			
1	2	3		4		5	6	7
Edible fats and oils	15161011	450	0.8 \$/kg but not less than 12%	750	0.8 \$/kg but not less than 12%	1995/2004		
Citrus juices, concentrated	20091110 20091120 20091900 20092900 20093900	100	26 26 26 26 26	160	26 26 26 26 26 26	1995/2004		

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