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Revision

The following submission, dated 28 June 2012, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of **Honduras**. The revised notification concerns domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and relevant supporting tables) for the period **2008-2009**.

The only domestic agricultural support measures applied by the Republic of Honduras are those listed in the attached supporting Tables DS:1 and DS:2, which include the notification made under Article 18.3 of the Agreement on Agriculture.

The measure "Agribusiness development programme for small and medium-sized African palm producers" has been classified under "Extension and advisory services" (paragraph 2(d) of Annex 2) in Supporting Table DS:1. The monetary value of the measure "Technology voucher project" in Supporting Table DS:2 has been corrected to read US\$11,400,000 (instead of US\$243,953,733).

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Republic of Honduras**REPORTING PERIOD: June 2008 to May 2009***Measures Exempt from the Reduction Commitment - "Green Box"*

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (US\$)	Data source
1	2	3	4
General services			
<u>Research services</u>			
Strengthening of local management of natural resources in the Patuca and Choluteca river basins	The project is aimed at the conservation and sustainable management of natural resources in the Choluteca, Patuca and Negro river basins. The main measures include the strengthening of local organizations, efficient application of legislation (Forestry Law, Land Use Planning Law and Water Law), and funding to support environmental management investment projects.	431,332	SAG
Tri-national sustainable development programme for the upper Lempa river basin	The programme concerns the management of natural resources at local level and the development of sustainable production activities. It is designed to be implemented at tri-national level (Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador) and involves local, municipal and regional activities in each of the countries concerned. It provides for measures including the sustainable management of renewable natural resources; the reduction of vulnerability to natural risks; the development of production activities and economic diversification; the strengthening of local governments and community organizational capacity building.	412,500	SAG
Conservation and economic development of natural resources (western component)	The National Resources Programme (PRORENA) is an investment programme that encourages the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources in order to increase the productivity of agricultural activities and the population's income by enhancing cooperation between existing institutions in the area.	826,316	SAG
<u>Training services</u>			
Rural business promotion programme (<i>Pronegocios Rurales</i>)	This programme will comprise the following three components: (1) support for rural business services; (2) financing of business plans; and (3) support for complementary policies and programmes.	6,420,000	SAG

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (US\$)	Data source
1	2	3	4
Special Programme for Food Security in Honduras (PESA - Honduras)	The Special Programme for Food Security in Honduras (PESA) contributes to the development of policies and strategies aimed at capitalizing on human resources in rural areas, strengthening the organization of household production systems and improving them, in order to ensure food security for the population and the most vulnerable segments in particular.	1,249,980	SAG
Improving the competitiveness of the rural economy in the department of Yoro	Strengthening of producers' economic organizations to create opportunities for growth of their existing equity capital, so that management and negotiations can be conducted according to new forms of market relationships, based on innovative management practices and tools.	2,400,000	SAG
Seed potato production in Honduras	The project seeks to reduce poverty in the country's rural areas by creating opportunities for profitable agribusiness in order to raise producers' incomes and improve their standard of living.	300,014	SAG
Food security extension project	The project consists of an interlinked series of investments aimed at increasing the availability, access to and consumption of food products of high nutritional and economic value for vulnerable households numbering 14,860 poor rural families. The project comprises five basic components: (1) Training and extension; (2) business training and support services; (3) investment, resource mobilization and production infrastructure; (4) food- and nutrition-related communication and education; and (5) strengthening municipal and cooperative bodies. The project's key policy measures include training small farmers to incorporate technology to increase their production of staple grains and agricultural diversification, the protection of natural resources (soil and water), and improve their marketing options and profit margins.	3,750,000	SAG
Honduras rural competitiveness project	The project will focus on operationalizing processes and mechanisms to facilitate productive alliances, as well as on the promotion of organizational procedures, training, information, technical studies and support, infrastructure and productive investments so as to encourage the participation of small and medium-sized producers and create a favourable climate for them to invest in productive alliances; the project will co-finance viable demand-driven business plans defined on the basis of market mechanisms.	10,240,000	SAG
<u>Extension and advisory services</u>			
Agribusiness development programme for small and medium-sized African palm producers ¹	This project will put 7,206 ha of African palm into production, as the first stage in the replanting and expansion of 28,000 ha of African palm crops. The project will be implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock in support of small and medium-sized African palm producers.	2,683,333	SAG

¹ This programme was mistakenly classified under "Marketing and promotion services" in Table DS:2 of the notification (G/AG/N/HND/33).

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (US\$)	Data source
1	2	3	4
<u>Marketing and promotion services</u>			
Small and medium-sized rural enterprises programme (PYMERURAL)	This programme seeks to contribute to job and income creation for men and women in rural areas in the context of rural micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, with a clear focus on stimulating economic growth to ensure sustainability and the development of food and non-food agribusiness chains, combining the value chain approach with a territorial economic development approach.	1,179,623	SAG
TOTAL		29,893,098	

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Republic of Honduras**REPORTING PERIOD: June 2008 to May 2009***Measures Exempt from the Reduction Commitment - Special and Differential Treatment - "Development Programmes"*

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6.2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (US\$)	Data source
1	2	3	4
Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture			
Technology voucher project	The project seeks to contribute to food security for the rural population and generate production surpluses by increasing staple grain production through the use of appropriate technology by small producers.	11,400,000	SAG
National plan for rural credit funds	Facilitate access to financing for small and medium-sized producers in rural areas.	115,156	SAG
Creation and operation of a fund for financing improved agricultural implements for small-scale staple grain producers	The project provides access to credit for small and medium-sized staple grain producers in eligible agricultural areas to buy animal-drawn agricultural implements for sowing staple grains, thus contributing to food security and improving the environment.	86,751	SAG
TOTAL		11,601,907	

PRORENA: Natural Resources Programme

SAG: Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock

SAN: Food and nutritional security

MIPYME: Micro, small and medium-sized enterprises

PESA - HONDURAS: Special Programme for Food Security in Honduras