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## NOTIFICATION

The following submission, dated 18 August 2009, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of **South Africa**. The notification concerns domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and the relevant Supporting Tables) for **2006**.

Table DS:1

**DOMESTIC SUPPORT: South Africa****REPORTING PERIOD: 2006***Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support*

Total AMS commitment level for period in question	Currency	Current Total AMS*
(from Section 1 of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section 1 of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
2,015.421	Million Rand	0

\*South Africa did not provide Amber Box subsidies during the reporting period. There are therefore no Supporting Tables to indicate calculation of Current AMS.

**DOMESTIC SUPPORT: South Africa****REPORTING PERIOD: 2006***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 million Rand	Data Sources
1	2	3	4
<b>1. General Services</b>	(i) Erection of waterworks (Infrastructure): To construct approved waterworks to enable producers to utilise land more effectively.	53.97	Department of Agriculture and Provincial Departments responsible for Agriculture
	(ii) Resource conservation and environmental management: To promote sustainable utilization of the natural agricultural resources, viz, the soil, water resources and vegetation and protect the environment.	303.52	"
	(iii) Veterinary Services: To promote animal production, animal health and the quality of the products of animals through the determination of norms and standards as well as co-ordination and rendering of services.	444.83	"
	(iv) Phytosanitary Services and Quality Control: To promote crop production and quality of plant products through the determination of norms and standards as well as the co-ordination and rendering of services.	110.66	"
	(v) Agro-economic services: To promote the optimum utilisation of production factors, regulate and co-ordinate the marketing of and marketing policy in respect of agricultural products, provide information and advice on agricultural economic trends.	288.70	"
	(vi) Auxiliary and associated services: To render auxiliary services associated with distribution of information, liaison between agricultural industries, library services and contract research by institutions, in-service training, international liaison, government transport and contribution to soil conservation activities.	118.50	"
	(vii) Agricultural research: Contribution towards agricultural research and the expenditure, training, depreciation, salaries and maintenance of the Agricultural Research Council with the overall purpose of agricultural research.	488.24	"

1	2	3	4
	(viii) Extension and Training: Extension and training services rendered by provincial departments of agriculture to farmers and personnel.	1,257.26	Department of Agriculture and Provincial Departments responsible for Agriculture
	(ix) Administration: To conduct the overall management of the Department of Agriculture and render specialized administrative services (includes policy formulation functions, management and advisory services, personnel and financial services and legal services).	1,072.95	"
	(x) Agricultural Engineering Services: To promote the sustainable utilisation of natural agricultural resources, planning and development of agricultural engineering products, provision of dip tanks in rural areas, mechanization programme, maintenance of contours and other services.	268.30	"
<b>2. Domestic food aid</b>	(i) National School Nutrition Programme	1,091.99	Department of Education
<b>3. Payments for relief from natural disasters</b>	(i) Subsidies for Flood disaster: To enable producers to return to the position they held prior to flood damage.	12.40	Department of Agriculture and Provincial Departments responsible for Agriculture
	(ii) Disaster Drought Aid: Disaster aid to farmer co-operatives and farmers in disaster drought to prevent the collapse of the rural infrastructure as a result of low income and bankruptcies and to enable producers to continue with production.	94.01	"
	(iii) Stock feed purchases incentives: To enable producers to maintain a nuclear herd during an extended drought.	17.55	"
	(iv) Transport of livestock and fodder: To enable producers in drought stricken areas to continue to feed their livestock.	0.14	"
	(v) Transport of water: Aid to cattle and human in drought stricken areas.	0	"
	(vi) Water quota subsidies: To enable producers on irrigation schemes to survive during drought conditions to enable them to keep their farm labourers and to prevent collapse of the infrastructure of the region.	0	"
	(vii) Fire damage subsidy: Compensation for losses with disaster fire damages	0	"
	(viii) Subsidy for the prevention of sequestration: To prevent the sequestration, as far as possible, of farmers with the possible ability to recover, thereby retaining them for agriculture.	0	"

1	2	3	4
	(ix) Co-ordinated refunding of unmanageable debt (subsidy): If possible, to place on the road to financial recovery all farmers who followed sound and correct farming and financial practices, but who, as a result of a combination of factors beyond their control, such as drought and economic down turns, have incurred too much debt or who experienced a continuing deteriorating debt situation. This is to be done with the aid of the co-ordinated action of all financiers.	0	Department of Agriculture and Provincial Departments responsible for Agriculture
	(x) Boreholes: Sinking of boreholes in times of drought for stock.	1.35	"
	(xi) Natural Grazing Recovery Scheme: This is a measure to allow livestock farmers' natural grazing that has been damaged by prolonged drought, the necessary time to recover.	0	"
<b>4. Structural adjustment: resource/retirement programmes</b>	(i) Conversion of marginal lands: To enable producers to reduce marginal ploughed lands where crop production is risky and to convert it into more suitable pastures (although lower income potential) for the specific climate (normally drier areas).	0	"
<b>5. Environmental programmes</b>	(i) Soil conservation works: The financing of essential soil conservation works to improve and protect the soil.	6.79	"
<b>6. Regional assistance programmes</b>	(i) Development aid: To assist producers in underdeveloped and disadvantaged areas with development aid to encourage agricultural and rural development as an integral part of the development programme.	1,473.16	"
<b>7. Other</b>	(i) Aid to Farmer Co-operatives: Aid to Farmer Co-operatives in financial difficulty caused by drought and economic down turns. The purpose for the aid is to retain the infrastructure in the rural economy in designated areas.	2.50	"
	(ii) Subsidies for a special assistance scheme for beekeepers: To compensate beekeepers who suffered losses as a result of the infiltration of Cape intruder bees, for expenses incurred in the re-establishment of bee colonies.	0	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>7,106.81</b>	