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MODIFICATIONS AND RECTIFICATIONS OF URUGUAY ROUND SCHEDULES

Schedule CLIII – Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu

The following communication, dated 6 June 2008, is being circulated at the request of delegation of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu.

On behalf of my government, I have the pleasure of submitting a notification, as attached, regarding our intention to reclassify the tariff item of Shaddocks, fresh or dried.

In accordance with the Procedures for Modification and Rectification of Schedules of Tariff Concessions (the Decision of 26 March 1980, BISD 27S/25), the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu hereby communicates draft changes to re-classify the tariff item of shaddocks, fresh or dried from the tariff item number 08059010 to 08054020 as contained in the Schedule CLIII. The reason for the re-classification is because the tariff subheading 080540 (grapefruit) is a more appropriate classification for the shaddocks than the tariff subheading 080590 (others). These rectifications do not alter the concessions and commitments of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu under Schedule CLIII.

Detailed explanatory notes and tables with the draft rectifications are contained in the attachments¹.

If no objection is notified to the Secretariat within three months from the date of this document, the rectifications and modifications to Schedule CLIII - Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu will be deemed to be approved and will be formally certified.

¹ In English only.

ATTACHMENT 1 – EXPLANATORY NOTE

In Schedule CLIII, shaddocks were classified under the HS 1996 tariff item number 08059010 with an in-quota tariff rate of 25% and an out-quota tariff rate of 184%, and were eligible for SSG. The shaddocks were re-classified from the tariff item number 08059010 to 08054020 since the tariff subheading 080540(grapefruit) is a more appropriate classification for the shaddocks than the tariff subheading 080590(others).

HS 1996 (Schedule CLIII)	Existing Product Description	In-quota tariff rate	Out-quota tariff rate	Proposed HS1996 code	Proposed Product Description	In-quota tariff rate	Out-quota tariff rate
08059010	Shaddocks Shaddock, fresh or dried	25%	184%	08054020	Shaddocks Shaddock, fresh or dried	25%	184%

ATTACHMENT 2 – DRAFT MODIFICATIONS

SCHEDULE CLIII – SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF
TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU

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PART I: MOST-FAVOURED-NATION TARIFF
SECTION I – Agricultural Products
SECTION I: 1-A Tariff

<u>HS</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Bound rate at date of accession</u>	<u>Final Bound rate</u>	<u>Implementation</u>	<u>SSG</u>	<u>Present concession established</u>	<u>INR</u>	<u>Concession first incorporated in a GATT Schedule</u>	<u>Remarks</u>	<u>ODCs</u>
08054020	--Shaddock, fresh or dried	216	184	2004	SSG					0
08059010	--Shaddock, fresh or dried	216	184	2004	SSG					0

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PART I: MOST-FAVOURED-NATION TARIFF
SECTION I: 1-B Tariff Quotas

<u>Description of products</u>	<u>Tariff item number</u>	<u>Initial quota quantity and in-quota tariff rate</u>	<u>Final quota quantity and in-quota tariff rate</u>	<u>Implementation period</u>	<u>Initial negotiating right</u>	<u>Other terms and conditions</u>
Shaddocks Shaddock, fresh or dried	08054020	1,720 MT 25%	4,300MT 25%	2004		
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