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# **Committee on Agriculture**

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#### **NOTIFICATION**

The following submission, dated 6 April 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of **Panama**. The notification concerns domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and the relevant Supporting Tables) for the **calendar year 2021**.

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# **DOMESTIC SUPPORT: PANAMA**

REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2021

# Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Total AMS commitment level	Currency	Current total AMS		
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached Supporting Tables)		
1	2	3		
		55,593,948.87		

# **DOMESTIC SUPPORT: PANAMA**

# REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2021

# Measures Exempt from the Reduction Commitment - "Green Box"

Measure type	Name and description of measure with	Monetary value	Data source	Note
	reference to criteria in Annex 2			
		PAB	4	_
1	2	3	4	-
2. General services		2 552 424 45		
2 (a) Research	Agricultural Research Programme (IDIAP): The IDIAP develops, implements and	8,558,604.67	IDIAP	
	promotes mechanisms and instruments that guarantee and facilitate timely access			
	to new technologies, goods and scientific and other services, derived from			
	research and adaptation work, with a view to developing the country's agricultural			
	production.  Subtotal	8,558,604.67		_
2 (h) Doot and discours control		, ,	MIDA-DPS	
2 (b) Pest and disease control	Screwworm eradication and control: Eradication of the screwworm fly; establishment and maintenance of a control barrier and the release of sterile	14,336,250	MIDA-DPS	
	screwworm flies in Panama through the plant in operation.			
	Health campaigns for prevention, treatment (toxicology and diseases),	395,751	MIDA-DPS	+
	standardization and integrated pest management: General plant and animal	393,731	MIDA-DPS	
	health campaigns, including control and eradication of bovine tuberculosis from			
	the Bocas del Toro area, a traceability system, a diagnostic system, a monitoring			
	system and a disease eradication programme.			
	Subtotal	14,732,001		
2 (c) Training services	Subsistence farming and sustainable agriculture programmes, including crop	187,219	MIDA-DPS	
( )	promotion, use of accessible technology and environmental protection: Fostering	,		
	of food and nutrition security for vulnerable rural households through self-			
	production of food. Income improvement programmes and rural employment			
	creation programmes. Programmes for the development of rural communities			
	through agro-tourism, participatory development and rural modernization.			
	Subtotal	187,219		
2 (d) Extension and advisory services	Farming promotion and technological development programmes: Development of	225,691	MIDA	
	controlled-environment farming, improvement of established plantations and			
	dissemination of technology to goat breeders through training, transfer of			
	technology, visits and demonstrations of production activities. Administrative and			
	business self-management coaching for groups of producers, and business and			
	market information services.			
	Subtotal	225,691		
2 (e) Inspection services	General inspection, diagnostic and standardization services programmes:	193,316	MIDA	
	Bioburden monitoring programmes for the purpose of disease screening, as well			
	as diagnostic centres, phytosanitary surveillance and certification.			
	Subtotal	193,316		

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value	Data source	Note
1	2	<b>PAB</b> 3	4	
2 (f) Marketing and promotion services	Promotion programmes: Agricultural Marketing Institute: Modernization of the Open Fairs Programme to improve producers' direct marketing of agricultural production, providing access to points of sale, logistical support, collection centres (stall awnings, shelving, freezers, scale weights, vehicles, lorries, lifting devices, etc.).	3,297,644.28	IMA	
	Subtotal	3,297,644.28		
2 (g) Infrastructural services	Programme to modernize and strengthen regions and outreach agencies: Provision of supplementary equipment and rehabilitation of MIDA regional agencies. Rehabilitation of storage facilities. Power generation systems, etc.	434,092	MIDA-DPS	
	Production road programmes: Rehabilitation of rural roads in national agricultural areas, with the construction of ditches and roads and spraying of selected materials.	0	MIDA-DPS	
	Irrigation programmes: Modernization of irrigation infrastructure, including the construction, rehabilitation, maintenance and repair of hydraulic structures and conduits, acquisition of pumping equipment for irrigation systems for public use, and coverage of the cost of works on the Remigio Rojas, Rio Sereno and Altos de Bambito irrigation systems, construction of the Rio Chico dam and construction of the La Coca irrigation system.	0	MIDA-DPS	
	Rehabilitation of other infrastructure: Rehabilitation and equipping of public infrastructure with a view to providing producer support, e.g. cleaning and adaptation of silos and cold-storage facilities to help producers with produce storage, and provision of other agro-industrial services (storage, drying, milling, packing, etc.) and a cold chain.	816,951.35	IMA	
	Subtotal	1,251,043.35		
2 (h) Other general services	Ministry of Agricultural Development: Establishes general policy for the agriculture sector; provides technical assistance for the country's producers; is responsible for pest control and sanitary surveillance at the domestic level and for agricultural exports; and establishes the basis for running the sector in general.	59,124,402	MIDA-DPS Operating budget and associated funds	(1)
	Subtotal	59,124,402		
	General Services Subtotal	87,569,921.3		
8. Payments for relief from natural disasters	Special Contingency Credit Fund (FECC) - Law No. 24: Financial assistance programme providing credit at preferential interest rates to agricultural producers affected by adverse weather conditions and other contingencies.	0	MIDA-FECC	
	National Emergency Plan: Compensation programme for damage to farms caused by adverse weather conditions (2020: Hurricanes Eta and Iota).	1,183,293	MIDA-DPS	
	Subtotal	1,183,293		
11. Structural adjustment assistance through investment aids	Cattle improvement programme: Large-scale bovine breeding stock replacement scheme and establishment of a bovine reproduction laboratory to accelerate improvement of herd productive capacity and improve the quality of bovine meat and meat products on domestic and international markets.	6,750	MIDA-DPS	
	Goat genetic improvement programme in Panama: Programme to improve the quantity and quality of the ovicaprid population in Panama through genetic, nutritional and zootechnical improvement, thereby offering a real alternative to small and medium-sized producers interested in the development of this activity.	15,869	MIDA-DPS	
	Agricultural processing programme - Law No. 25: Direct non-refundable support covering part of the technological investment in agricultural processing with a view to overcoming structural weaknesses in the relevant production chain.	43,818.53	MIDA-UATA	

Measure type	Name and description of measure with	Monetary value	Data source	Note	
	reference to criteria in Annex 2				
		PAB			
1	2	3	4		
	Agricultural competitiveness programme: Direct support at a percentage of the investment made by the producer with bank or cooperative financing, with a view to increasing the productivity of agricultural activities in order to consolidate existing production. Investment assistance and support geared towards the use of private specialized technical services that generate technological changes, improvements to the marketing of produce and business management for agricultural producers, including risk management through insurance for productive hectares and other vulnerabilities.	1,257,896.4	MIDA-FPCA		
	Incentive programme for the domestic production of grain and other crops: Direct support for part of the investment made by the producer, in the form of incentives for each additional hectare under crops and yields equal to or higher than those specified in Law No. 7 of 21 November 2013, with a view to increasing production and productivity in the rice, maize, bean, sorghum, soya, potato, onion and industrial tomato subsectors.	8,853,601	MIDA-DINAG		
	Subtotal	10,177,934.93			
Total Green Box		98,931,149.23			

#### General note:

#### Sources and comments:

MIDA-DPS: Information supplied by the Sectoral Planning Directorate of the Ministry of Agricultural Development.

UATA: Information supplied by the Agricultural Processing Administrative Unit (Law No. 25).

FECC: Information supplied by the Special Contingency Credit Fund (Law No. 24).

PLANEMAP: National Emergency Plan in Support of Producers.

DINAG: National Directorate of Agriculture.

OGACO: Agricultural Sector Support and Compensation Management Office.

BDA: Information supplied by the Agricultural Development Bank.

FPCA: Information supplied by the Trust Office for the Agricultural Competitiveness Programme.

IDIAP: Information supplied by the Agricultural Research Institute. IMA: Information supplied by the Agricultural Marketing Institute. ISA: Information supplied by the Agricultural Insurance Institute.

#### Note:

(1) General services: figures refer to the annual operating budget in balboas of the Ministry of Agricultural Development, as recorded by the Sectoral Planning Directorate

in the fiscal year 2021.

# Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Description of basic products (including non-product specific AMS)	Product-specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:7) PAB	Product-specific measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8)	Total (2 + 3) PAB	Value of production  PAB	Support as a % of value of production	Current total AMS	Note
1	2	3				4	
Rice	55,593,948.87		55,593,948.87	199,600,000	27.85%	55,593,948.87	(1)
Maize	6,706,354.53		6,706,354.53	79,300,000	8.45%	0 (de minimis)	
Milk	6,084,106.23		6,084,106.23	128,900,000	4.72%	0 (de minimis)	
Non-product-specific AMS (from Supporti	ng Table DS:9)						
TOTAL	55,593,948.87						

General note:

Prepared by the Trade Policy Office of the Ministry of Agricultural Development.

Exchange rate: USD 1 = PAB 1.

Note:

(1) Amount includes support for previous years.

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#### **DOMESTIC SUPPORT: PANAMA**

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# Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Non-Exempt Direct Payments

Description	Reporting period		Measure	asure Applied	External	Eligible	Total	Other	Associated	Total direct	Data	Note	
of basic product	Type	From	То	type(s)	administered price	reference price (generally from AGST) PAB	production	price- related direct payments ((4-5)*6) PAB	non-exempt direct payments PAB	fees/levies	payments (7+8-9) PAB	source	
1		2		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Rice	CalY	01-01-21	31-12-21	Direct payment for price differential			336,226,946.87 Kilograms		55,593,948.87	-	55,593,948.87	MIDA- OGACO	(1)
Total Rice											55,593,948.87		
Maize	CalY	01-01-21	31-12-21	Direct payment for price differential			101,398,495.43 Kilograms		6,706,354.53		6,706,354.53	MIDA- OGACO	(2)
Total Maize											6,706,354.53		
Milk	CalY	01-01-21	31-12-21	Direct payment for price differential			60,841,062.3 Kilograms		6,084,106.23		6,084,106.23	MIDA- OGACO	(3)
Total Milk											6,084,106.23		

#### General note:

Prepared by the Trade Policy Office of the Ministry of Agricultural Development.

#### Note

- (1) The budgetary outlay of PAB 55,593,948.87 is the result of price support of PAB 7.50 per quintal purchased by the mills, producers and producer associations.
- (2) The budgetary outlay of PAB 6,706,354.53 is the result of price support of PAB 3.00 per quintal purchased by processors of balanced animal feed.
- (3) The budgetary outlay of PAB 6,084,106.23 is the result of support per litre of Grade C milk sold to processors, equivalent to the difference between the maximum price per litre of PAB 0.50 and the purchase price of milk marketed by the parties (producers and processors); up to a maximum of PAB 0.10 per litre of milk.