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**Committee on Market Access** 

# NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO THE DECISION ON NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS (G/L/59/ReV.1)

**E**GYPT

#### Revision

The following communication, dated 22 April 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Egypt.

A.	Notifying Member: Egypt
В.	Date of notification: 22 April 2020
<b>c.</b> ⊠	First time notification:  Yes  No, last notification was made in (doc. symbol):
<b>D.</b> ⊠	<ul> <li>Type of notification:</li> <li>1. Complete (i.e. notification of all quantitative restrictions in force)</li> <li>2. Changes to a notification previously made in (doc. symbol) which are of the following nature:</li> <li>2.1 Introduction of new restrictions, as listed in Section 1.</li> <li>2.2 Elimination of restrictions, as described in G below.</li> <li>2.3 Modification of a previously notified restriction, as described in Section 1.</li> </ul>
E.	3. Reverse notification of restrictions maintained by (Member):  The notification provides information for the following biennial period (e.g. 2012-2014): 2018-2020 and relates to restrictions in force as of 17 March 2020
<b>F.</b> ⊠	This notification contains information* relating to:  Section 1: List of quantitative restrictions that are currently in force.  Section 2: Cross-reference to other WTO notifications with information on quantitative restrictions that are currently in force and additional information.
G.	Comments of a general nature, including a description of the elimination of restrictions notified under D.2.2 and the date they ceased to be in force.  The government of Egypt has taken measures to temporary prohibit exports of a number of products in response to the COVID-19 emergency situation. These measures have been taken to ensure the availability of the appropriate supply of goods necessary for the

<sup>\*</sup> In English only.

preservation of human health and preventing critical shortage of essential products. The products subject to the temporary export prohibition include :

- Leguminous vegetables with specific exceptions;
- Medical supplies necessary for safeguarding against infection and the spread of disease;
- All types of alcohol and its derivatives with the exception of methyl alcohol.

Worth noting, this is not a complete QR notification, it only covers measures that have been taken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Changes made to the above-mentioned measures or new measures will be duly notified.

Section 1: List of quantitative restrictions that are currently in force

QR No.	General description of the restriction	Type of restriction	Tariff line code (s) affected, based on HS (2017)	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification and Ground for Restriction, e.g. Other International Commitments	National legal basis and entry into force	Administration, modification of previously notified measures, and other comments
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Export Prohibition	P-X	- Of HS headings: 0708 0713 1106 2004 2005	Leguminous vegetables and products thereof with the exception of: - Peanuts; - fresh or chilled peas; - Fresh or chilled beans (Phaseolus spp.); - Frozen leguminous vegetables; - White beans (Phaseolus spp.); - Canned chickpeas.	GATT Article XI:2(a)	Ministerial Decree No. 194 for the year 2020 issued by the Minister of Trade and Industry on 28 March 2020.	Due to the global outbreak of COVID-19, the relevant measure was adopted with the aim to prevent the critical shortage of food stuffs in Egypt. This measure is effective for three months starting from 28 March 2020.
2	Export Prohibition	P-X	Including: 2207.10 2208.90	All types of Alcohol and its derivatives except for methyl alcohol	GATT Article XI:2(a) GATT Article XX:b	Ministerial Decree No. 186 for the year 2020 issued by the Minister of Trade and Industry on 17 March 2020.	Due to the global outbreak of COVID-19, the relevant measure was adopted with the aim to prevent the critical shortage of essential products for personal protection and safeguarding against infection and spread of disease in Egypt.  This measure is effective for three months starting from 17 March 2020.
3	Export Prohibition	P-X	- Of HS subheading 9004.90 - Of HS subheading 3926.20	- Protective spectacles and goggles  - Plastic face shields (covering more than the eye area)	GATT Article XI:2(a) GATT Article XX:b	Ministerial Decree No. 187 for the year 2020 issued by the Minister of Trade and Industry on 17 March 2020.	Due to the global outbreak of COVID-19, the relevant measure was adopted with the aim to prevent the critical shortage of essential products for personal protection and safeguarding against infection and spread of disease in Egypt.

QR No.	General description of the restriction	Type of restriction	Tariff line code (s) affected, based on HS (2017)	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification and Ground for Restriction, e.g. Other International Commitments	National legal basis and entry into force	Administration, modification of previously notified measures, and other comments
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			- Of subheadings: 3926.20 4015.11 4015.19 6114.30 6116.10 6210.10 6210.20 6210.30 6210.40 6210.50 6307.90 3926.20 4818.50 Of HS headings: 6113 6216 6401 6402 6506 6505	- Other Protective garments and the like including gloves, facemasks, protective garments and suits, hair nets, footwear			This measure is effective for three months starting from 17 March 2020.
			-Of headings and subheadings 2847 3808.94 8419.20 3003.90 3004.90	- Disinfectants/ Sterilisation products  - Chlorine (for disinfection) except for liquid chlorine with a concentration 99% (gas stored in tubes under pressure of 10 Pa)			

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			- Of HS headings 3401, 3402	-Soap except for soap bars			
			- Of subheadings 9025.11; 9025.19	-Thermometers			
			- Of HS subheading 4421.99 and of HS heading 9018	-Wooden tongue depressors			
			- Of HS subheadings 3923.21 3923.29	- Medical waste plastic bags (red)			
			- Of Hs subheadings 3923.21;3923.29	- Corpses bags			

Section 2: Cross-reference to other WTO notifications with information on quantitative restrictions that are currently in	ions that are currently in force
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This section shall be filled by Members in case a notification made pursuant to another notification requirement (e.g. set in the Agreement on Agriculture, Agreement on Balance of Payments, Agreement on Safeguards, and the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, etc.) contains information on a quantitative restriction in force and which is not listed in Section 1.

#### 1. Agreement on Agriculture

Δ	Was a notification made with information on a qua	antitative restriction? Yes 🔲 No 🗀
Λ.	Was a notification made with information on a duc	

B. If yes, then list below the re	elevant document symbol a	and include anv	v information elemen	t missing in the notification:
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Document symbol of notification	General description	Type of restr.	Tariff line code(s) affected, based on HS( )	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification and Grounds for Restriction, e.g., Other International Commitments	National legal basis and entry into force	Administration; modification of prev. notified measures; and other comments
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
G/AG/N/							

## 2. Agreement on Balance of Payments

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes  $\square$  No  $\square$
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
WT/BOP/N/							

3.	Agreement o	n Safeguards
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- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes  $\square$  No  $\square$
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
G/SG/N/							

## 4. Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures (non-automatic licences)

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes  $\square$  No  $\square$
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

Document symbol of notification	General description	Type of restr.	Tariff line code(s) affected, based on HS(2007)	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification and Grounds for Restriction, e.g., Other International Commitments	National legal basis and entry into force	Administration; modification of prev. notified measures; and other comments
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
G/LIC/N/							

### 5. Other notifications

A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction in other notifications? Yes \( \square\) No \( \square\)

B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

symbol of d notification	description	restr.	code(s) affected, based on HS( )	Product Description	Grounds for Restriction, e.g., Other International Commitments	basis and entry into force	modification of prev. notified measures; and other comments
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8