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Committee on Market Access

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

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

The following communication, dated 24 February 2015, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

A.	Notifying Member: Lao People's Democratic Republic
B.	Date of notification: 12 October 2014
C.	First time notification:
\boxtimes	Yes
	No, last notification was made in (doc. symbol):
D.	Type of notification:
\boxtimes	1. Complete (i.e. notification of all quantitative restrictions in force)
	2. Changes to a notification previously made in (doc symbol) which are of the following nature:
	☐ 2.1 Introduction of new restrictions, as listed in Section 1.
	2.2 Elimination of restrictions, as described in G below.
	☐ 2.3 Modification of a previously notified restriction, as described in Section 1.
	3. Reverse notification of restrictions maintained by (Member):
E.	The notification provides information for the following biennial period (e.g. 2012-2014): 2014-2016 and relates to restrictions in force as of 30/09/2014
F.	This notification contains information* relating to:
\boxtimes	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.

^{*} In English only.

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

QR No.	General description of the restriction	Type of restriction (Symbol in Annex 2 of the Decision)	Tariff line code(s) affected, based on HS(2012)	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification (e.g. Article XX(g) of the GATT, etc.) and Grounds for Restriction, e.g., Other International Commitments (e.g. Montreal Protocol, CITES, etc.)	National legal basis and entry into force (i.e. Law, regulation or administrative decision)	Administration, modification of previously notified measures, and other comments
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Import Prohibition	P	NA	Chemicals of high- level danger used in industries	Article XX(b)	-Decree on Import and Export of Goods No. 114/GoL dated 6 April 2011	Ministry of Industry and Commerce
2	Import Prohibition	P	8710.00.00 9301 9302.00.00 9306	Bullets and weapons of all kinds (except for explosives used in industries) and war vehicles	Article XXI	-Articles 76 & 77 of Criminal Law No. 12/NA, dated 09 November 2005Prime Minister's Decision on the Control and Use of Explosives in Lao PDR No. 39/PM, dated 12/7/2001	Ministry of National Defence
3	Import Prohibition	Р	1211.40.00 1211.30 1211.90.12	Opium Opium balls, poppy seeds	Article XX(b)	-Article 146 of Criminal Law No.	Ministry of Public Security

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		_	1207.91.00 1302.11 2939.11.00 2939.19.00 2939.91.10	Opium poppies, other finished and dried opium poppies made from coco leaves, marihuana in various forms, cocaine and their derivatives		12/NA, dated 09 November 2005Law on Narcotic DrugsDecree implementing Law on Narcotic Drugs No. 076/PM, dated 20/2/2009.	Prime Minister's Office
4	Import Prohibition	Р	NA	Destructive fishing tools	Article XX(b)	Fisheries Law	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
5	Import Prohibition	P	NA	Pornographic medias / materials	Article XX(a)	Law on Printings No. 05/NA, dated 9 December 2008.	Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism
6	Import Prohibition	P	3215.19.00 4802.62.90 8443.19.00 8454.30.00	Banknote paper, banknote ink, banknote printer and coin making machine	Article XX(d)	Article 4 scope of rights of banks, Law on Bank of Lao PDR No. 05/NA. dated 14 /10/1999.	Bank of Lao PDR

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7	Export Prohibition	P-X	9705.00.00 9706.00.00	Archeological objects including Buddha statues, angel statues and holy objects, national heritages with historical and cultural values of 50 years old or older	Article XX(f)	-Article 15 of Customs LawNational Heritage LawArticle 2 Edict on Preservation of National cultural, historical and natural heritage	Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism
8	Export Prohibition	P-X	2834	Bat guano / manure	Article XX(g)	-Article 29, Agriculture Law, No. 01/98.NA, dated 10/10/1998Order of the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry on the Control and Use of Bat Guano in the Country No.0613/MoAF. 05, dated 08/7/2005	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

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9	Non-Automatic Import Licensing	NAL	93.03.20 93.03.30	Guns and bullets for sportive purposes	Article XXI	No 0076 /MOIC.DIMEX, Annex A	Ministry of Public Security
10	Non-Automatic Import Licensing	NAL	36.02 36.03	Explosives used in industries: - explosives -explosive equipment - explosive objects - fireworks	Article XXI	No 0076 /MOIC.DIMEX, Annex A	Ministry of National Defence
11	Non-Automatic Import Licensing	NAL	7108.12.10	Gold bars (only for gold bars as internationally recognized as medium of payment)	Article XX(c)	No 0076 /MOI C.DIMEX, Annex A	Bank of Lao PDR
12	Non-Automatic Export Licensing	NAL-X	4403 4407.10-4407.28 0601	Logs, trunk, bark, rough-processed timberand semi- finished timber from natural forest	Article XX(g)	-No 0076 /MOIC.DIMEX, Annex B	Ministry of Industry and Commerce

Section 2: Cross-reference to other WTO notifications with information on quantitative restrictions that are currently in force

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
А. В.	Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes \square No \boxtimes If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:
2.	Agreement on Balance of Payments
А. В.	Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes \square No \boxtimes If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:
3.	Agreement on Safeguards
А . В.	Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes \square No \boxtimes If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:
4.	Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures (non-automatic licences)
А. В.	Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes \square No \boxtimes If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:
5.	Other notifications
	/as a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction in other notifications? Yes \(\simega\) No \(\Simega\) Yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification: