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Committee on Agriculture Special Session Sub-Committee on Cotton

COTTON

BACKGROUND PAPER BY THE SECRETARIAT¹

Supplement

This document contains one additional reply from Ukraine to the questionnaire on recent policy developments for cotton, circulated by the Secretariat on 31 August 2022, which should be incorporated in Annex 4 of document TN/AG/GEN/34/Rev.17/Add.1 - TN/AG/SCC/GEN/13/Rev.17/Add.1.

Therefore, the table in paragraph 2 of Annex 4 (page 11) should read as follows:

Members who replied to the previous questionnaires circulated on 4 February 2015, 17 September 2015, 22 February 2016, 13 September 2016, 28 March 2017, 10 October 2017, 24 January 2018, 11 February 2019, 10 September 2019, 22 January 2020, 21 September 2020, 1 February 2021, 3 September 2021 and 2 March 2022	Members who replied to the questionnaire circulated on 31 August 2022	
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Reply from Ukraine

With regard to the Nairobi Ministerial Decision on Cotton (document WT/MIN(15)/46, WT/L/981 as of 21 December 2015) Ukraine would like to provide the following.

Information on Cotton (April – September 2022)

1. Market access

In April – September 2022, there were no changes in cotton policy in terms of market access.

UKTZED (Ukrainian Foreign		April – September 2022	
Economic Activity Commodity Classification, based on Harmonized System 2017)	Description	Bound import duty rate within the MFN	Applied import duty rate within the MFN
5201 00	Cotton, not carded or combed		
5201 00 10 00	 Rendered absorbent or bleached 	0	0
5201 00 90 00	- Other	0	0
5202	Cotton waste (including yarn waste and garnetted stocks)		
5202 10 00 00	- Yarn waste (including thread waste)	1	1
	- Other		
5202 91 00 00	Garnetted stock	0	0
5202 99 00 00	Other	1	1
5203 00 00 00	Cotton, carded or combed	5	5

2. Domestic support

In April – September 2022, no state support for cotton was provided.

3. Export competition

According to Ukraine's WTO obligations, no export subsidies for agricultural products, including cotton, were provided.

In respect to cotton, no Export Credit, Export Credit Guarantees or Insurance Programs (Export financing) and Food aid were granted, as well as no Agriculture Exporting State Trading Enterprises were functioning or established.