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#### **EXPORT PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

# BACKGROUND PAPER BY THE SECRETARIAT<sup>1</sup>

- 1. This paper provides information on export prohibitions and restrictions covered by Article 12 of the Agreement on Agriculture, based on Members' notifications submitted since 1995 and up to 15 March 2013.
- 2. The attachment to this paper compiles the information contained in Members' Tables ER:1 notifications as they were circulated, using the following categories:

Description of products	Products covered by the measure, as indicated in the Member's notification
Tariff item numbers	As indicated in the Member's notification
Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced	As indicated in the Member's notification
Duration of the measure	Date of entry into force based on information in the Member's notification or date of enactment of the corresponding regulation; Date of expiration as indicated in the Member's notification
Date of submission of the notification	
Date of circulation of the notification	

- 3. Addenda to notifications are listed with the original notification when they only indicate the termination of the measure corresponding to the original notification.
- 4. Since 1995, eight Members notified 14 export prohibitions and restrictions, including four Members that have joined the European Union during the covered period.
- 5. Five measures were notified during the period 1995 to 1999 and during the most recent period from 2010 to 2012. Three measures were notified during the period from 2000 to 2004 and only one measure from 2005 to 2009.
- 6. Almost 60% of the 14 measures were notified as temporary export bans or temporary export prohibitions and only one Member notified export quotas.
- 7. The products most frequently covered by the notified measures were wheat and wheat flour, and coarse grains.

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Table 1: Number of notified export prohibitions and restrictions per period<sup>1</sup>

Members	1995- 1999	2000- 2004	2005- 2009	2010- 2012	Total
Bulgaria		1			1
Czech Republic	2				2
Hungary	2	1			3
Kyrgyz Republic			1	1	2
Moldova, Republic of				1	1
Poland	1				1
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)		1		2	3
Ukraine				1	1
Total	5	3	1	5	14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per date of entry into force (or date of submission when the date of entry into force is not available).

Table 2: Number of notified export prohibitions and restrictions per type of measure<sup>1</sup>

Members	Temporary ban or prohibition	Export quotas	Other measures	Total
Bulgaria	1			1
Czech Republic	1		1	2
Hungary	1		2	3
Kyrgyz Republic			2	2
Moldova, Republic of	1			1
Poland	1			1
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)	3			3
Ukraine		1		1
Total	8	1	5	14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The description of the type of measures is based on Members' notifications. Other measures cover measures not identified by Members as ban, prohibition or export quota.

Table 3: Number of notified export prohibitions and restrictions per broad categories of products covered<sup>1</sup>

Products	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Kyrgyz Republic	Moldova , Rep. of	Poland	The former Rep. of Macedonia	Ukraine	Total
Wheat and wheat flour	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	10
Coarse grains		1	3	1		1		1	7
Oilseeds				1					1
Vegetable oils				1					1
Oilcakes		1		1					2
Other		1	1	1					3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This classification is only for illustrative purpose and is based on the list of product groupings included in document G/AG/2 in relation to total exports, with due consideration of the fact that this list was defined for other purposes.

## **ATTACHMENT**

## Bulgaria

#### Notification G/AG/N/BGR/10

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat Mixture of wheat and rye	1001	01/10/2003	31/07/2004	22/09/2003	24/09/2003
Wheat Flour Flour made of mixture of wheat and rye	1101				

## Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, the Bulgarian Government will introduce a temporary ban on the exports of the products above as from 1 October 2003.

Bulgaria will adopt the above-mentioned measure because of the threat of a serious shortage of the products in question.

## **Czech Republic**

## Notification G/AG/N/CZE/6

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of	ER:1 Date of
		From	То	submission	notification
Durum wheat	1001 10 00	01/03/1996	The measure will	06/06/1996	18/06/1996
Food wheat	1001 90 99		apply until the		
Feeding wheat	1101 00 11		conditions which		
Wheat or meslin flour	1101 00 15		made it necessary		
	1101 00 90		persists		

## Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2 (a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, the Czech Republic introduced as of 1 March 1996 a temporary prohibition on the issue of export licences on the products in question.

The Czech Republic has adopted the above mentioned measure in order to prevent a serious shortage of the products in question and to forestall the disruption of the domestic market.

# **Notification G/AG/N/CZE/11**

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure				ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	From To				
Rye	1002	01/04/1997	The measure	12/03/1997	13/03/1997		
Oats	1004		will apply until				
Cereals grains otherwise worked	1104		the conditions				
Bran, sharps and other residues	2302		which made it				
Oilcake and other solid residues of	2306 40 00		necessary				
rape or colza seeds			persist				

# Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2 (a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, the Czech Republic will introduce on 1 April 1997, temporary quantitative restrictions on the exports of the products in question.

The Czech Republic will adopt the above mentioned measure in order to prevent a serious shortage of the products in question and to forestall the disruption of the domestic market.

# Hungary

# **Notification G/AG/N/HUN/2**

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Maize	1005 90-005	25/10/1995	The measure will apply while the conditions which made it necessary persist	Non available	30/10/1995

Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2 (a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, Hungary will introduce temporary restrictions in respect of exports of maize (falling under heading HS 1005.90-005). The measure, applicable from 25 October 1995 until the conditions which made it necessary cease to persist, provides for the imposition of a licensing requirement. Licences will be issued on a non-discriminatory basis.

In the recent past the world market of maize was characterized by an unusual high demand and as a result high prices which boosted Hungarian exports against the background of a lower than expected domestic yield. Hungary has adopted the above-mentioned measure in order to prevent a serious shortage of the product in question and to forestall the disruption of the domestic animal feed market.

# **Notification G/AG/N/HUN/6**

Description of Products	Tariff item	Duration of	Duration of application		ER:1 Date of
	number(s)		measure		notification
		From	То		
<u>Barley</u>	<u>1003</u>	08/08/1996	The measure	11/09/1996	24/09/1996
- Other	1003 00 90 00		will apply while the		
Wheat or meslin flour	<u>1101</u>		conditions		
- Wheat flour	4404 00 00 00		which made it		
- Meslin flour	1101 00 90 00		necessary		
Cereal flours, other than of wheat or meslin	<u>1102</u>		persist.		
- Maize (corn) flour	1102 20				
containing maximum	1102 20 10 00				
1.5% fat					
other	1102 20 90 00				
- Other	1102 90				
Barley flour	1102 90 10 00				
<b>other</b> Cereal groats, meal and pellets	1102 90 90 00 1103				
- Groats and meal	1103				
of wheat	1103 11				
durum wheat	1103 11 10 00				
common wheat and	1103 11 90 00				
spelt					
of maize (corn)	1103 13				
of a fat content not	1103 13 10 00				
exceeding 1.5% by weight other	1103 13 90 00				
of other cereals	1103 13 70 00				
of barley	1103 19 30 00				
Cereals grains otherwise worked					
(for example, hulled, rolled,					
flaked, pearled, sliced or					
kibbled), except rice of heading					
No. 10.06, germ of cereals, whole, rolled, flaked or ground					
- Other worked grains (for					
example, hulled, pearled, sliced					
or kibbled)					
of barley					
not otherwise worked					
than kibbled of maize (corn)	1104 23				
hulled,(shelled or	1104 23 10 00				
husked) whether or not	1104 20 10 00				
sliced or kibbled					
pearled	1104 23 30 00				
not otherwise worked	1104 23 90 00				
than kibbled	1104 22 00 00				
other of other cereals	<b>1104 23 99 00</b> 1104 29				
hulled,(shelled or	1104 47				
husked) whether or not sliced or					
kibbled					
of wheat	1104 29 11 00				
not otherwise worked					
than kibbled	4404 00 54 00				
of wheat	1104 29 51 00				
Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	<u>2309</u>				
- other	2309 90				
0.1101					
other					
Premixture	2309 93				
other	2309 93 99				
other kind	2309 98 00	L			

Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2 (a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, Hungary will introduce temporary restrictions in respect of exports of products above. The measure, applicable from 8 August 1996 until the conditions which made it necessary cease to persist, provides for the imposition of a licensing requirement. Licences will be issued on a non-discriminatory basis.

Hungary has adopted the above-mentioned measure in order to prevent a serious shortage of the products in question and to forestall the disruption of the domestic animal feed market.

## Notifications G/AG/N/HUN/24 and G/AG/N/HUN/24/Add.1

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Maize fodder	ex 1005 90 00	10/11/2000	14/02/2001	17/11/2000 07/03/2001	21/11/2000 08/03/2001

#### Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, the Hungarian Government has introduced a temporary ban on the exports of the product above as from 10 November 2000.

Hungary adopted the above-mentioned measure because of the threat of a serious shortage of the product in question and to forestall the disruption of the domestic animal feed market.

#### G/AG/N/HUN/24/Add.1

Hungary has the honour to inform the Committee on Agriculture that the temporary ban on the export of maize fodder (CN ex 1005 90 00) was lifted on 14 February 2001.

# **Kyrgyz Republic**

## Notification G/AG/N/KGZ/2

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat and meslin	1001	05/07/2008	05/01/2009	04/07/2008	09/07/2008
Wheat or meslin flour	1101 00				
Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken	1206 00				
Sunflower-seed, safflower or cotton-seed	1512				
oil and fractions thereof, whether or not					
refined, but not chemically modified					

# Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Due to the critical shortages of foodstuffs on the domestic market and low level of income of the population, the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic will apply the customs duties on the export of the above-mentioned products. These products are of vital importance in view of foodstuff safety. The rates of the above-mentioned customs duties are as follows: 1001 - 15 Som/1kg; 1101 - 30 Som/1 kg; 1206 00 - 20 Som/1kg; 1512 - 100 Som/1kg.

# Notification G/AG/N/KGZ/3

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)*	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	To		
Oats	1004 00 000 0 (20)	05/11/2010	05/05/2011	21/10/2010	07/01/2011
Maize (corn)	1005 (5)				
Cereal straw and husks, unprepared, whether or not chopped, ground, pressed or in the form of pellets	1213 (10)				
Swedes, mangolds, fodder root corns, hay, lucerne (alfafa), clover, sainfoin, forage kale, lupines, vetches and similar forage products, whether or not in the form of pellets	1214 (10)				
Flours, meals and pellets, of meat or meat offal, of fish or of crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates, unfit for human consumption; greaves	2301 (30)				
Bran, sharps and other residues, whether or not in the form of pellets, derived from the sifting, milling or other working of cereals or of leguminous plants	2302 (20)				
Oil-cake and other solid residues, resulting from the extraction of soyabean oil, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets	2304 (10)				
Solid waste, resulting from the extraction of vegetable fats or oils, other than those of heading No. 2304 or 2305, whether or not ground or whether or not in the form of pellets	2306 (10)				
Vegetable materials and vegetable waste, vegetable residues and by-products, whether or not in the form of pellets	2308 (10)				

Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Due to the critical shortages of agricultural products on the domestic market and low level of income of the population, the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic adopted the decision on the establishment of customs duties for export of certain agricultural products from the Kyrgyz Republic (Resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic dated 1 October 2010 No. 227). This measure was published in the national newspaper "Erkin-Too" No. 91 dated 5 October 2010.

The figures between brackets are the rates of customs duties for export (som/kg) as indicated in the notification.

#### Moldova, Republic of

#### Notifications G/AG/N/MOL/3 and G/AG/N/MOL/3/Add.1

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat and blend of wheat and rye (meslin)	1001 90 910	03/02/2011	01/05/2011	02/03/2011	11/03/2011
				18/05/2011	20/05/2011

#### Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, a temporary export ban was introduced in order to prevent a critical shortage in the domestic market resulting from a poor harvest of wheat in 2010 and eliminate a significant imbalance in the domestic grain market. This is essential for food security and for the stability of the grain market. The export ban is a temporary measure which will be revised once the situation in the domestic market will be stabilized. The production balance for cereals during 2010 is one of the critical factors which have led to the present situation and it is determined by several premises, such as: limited stocks of wheat in the domestic market, which would not be sufficient to satisfy the internal demand. Domestic consumption of wheat is covered up to 93 per cent; increased exports of wheat in 2010-2011 from the Republic of Moldova, i.e., twice higher compared with the same period in 2009-2010; increased domestic demand, i.e., more than in previous years; keeping the exports of wheat at such increased levels could have provoked an internal deficit; decline of the food security of the country and the impact on the final prices for bakery products.

In 2010, the domestic consumption totaled 772 thousand tonnes of wheat and 240 thousand tonnes of food grains. The domestic needs represented 345 thousand tonnes of wheat and only 240 thousand tonnes of food grains were available.

In this regard, the Government Decision No. 52 of 2 February 2011 "Regarding the temporary export ban on wheat" makes provision for satisfying domestic consumption and keeping food security of the country at the right stage.

#### G/AG/N/MOL/3/Add.1

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, a temporary export ban was introduced in order to prevent a critical shortage in the domestic market resulting from a poor harvest of wheat in 2010 and to eliminate a significant imbalance in the domestic grain market. The export ban was a temporary measure and has been essential for food security and for the stability of the grain market. Due to the current balance of wheat and its derivatives on the domestic market and forecasts of export/import up to harvest time, the Government of the Republic of Moldova decided to repeal the Government Decision No. 52 regarding the export restriction on wheat through the Government Decision No. 320 of 4 May 2011.

# **Poland**

## Notification G/AG/N/POL/2

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat and meslin	1001	01/01/1996	31/08/1996	06/12/1995	11/12/1995
Rye	1002				
Barley	1003				
Oats	1004				

#### Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 in accordance with Article 12 paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, Poland will introduce temporary export prohibitions in respect of wheat and meslin, rye, barley and oats, effective from 1 January 1996.

Poland will adopt this measure in order to prevent a serious shortage of the products in question and to forestall the disruption of its domestic market.

#### The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

#### Notification G/AG/N/MKD/1

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat and meslin Wheat or meslin flour	1001 1101 00	21/01/2004	30/06/2004	26/01/2004	13/02/2004

## Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, the Government of the Republic of Macedonia will introduce a temporary ban on the exports of the products above as from 21 January 2004.

The Republic of Macedonia will adopt the above-mentioned measure to prevent a serious shortage in the domestic market of the products in question.

#### Notification G/AG/N/MKD/12

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)		Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat and meslin	1001	10/03/2011	10/09/2011	07/03/2011	08/03/2011

#### Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, the Government of the Republic of Macedonia will introduce a temporary ban on the exports of the product above as from 10 March 2011.

The Republic of Macedonia will adopt the above-mentioned measure to prevent a serious shortage in the domestic market of the product in question.

## Notification G/AG/N/MKD/13

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat flour	1101 00	08/04/2011	15/09/2011	15/04/2011	19/04/2011

#### Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Agriculture, the Government of the Republic of Macedonia has introduced a temporary export ban of the product above as from 8 April 2011.

The Republic of Macedonia has adopted the above-mentioned measure to prevent a serious shortage in the domestic market of the product in question resulting from insufficient production of wheat in the country and to eliminate the significant imbalance in the domestic market that is essential for the food security of the population.

The Republic of Macedonia is traditionally an importing country of wheat and wheat flour in order to meet its own needs necessary for the production of basic food products. On average, about 40 per cent of the total needs for domestic consumption of wheat (300,000 tonnes for production of wheat flour and bread) are provided by imports from foreign countries. The imported and available quantities in 2010 (about 230,000 tonnes) were not sufficient to meet the domestic demand for production of wheat flour and bread. This situation caused an imbalance in the wheat market and production of wheat flour which significantly influenced food security in the country.

The Government Decision on the export ban of wheat flour has been published in the "Official Gazette of RM" n° 46/2011.

#### Ukraine

## Notification G/AG/N/UKR/5

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat and blend of wheat and rye	1001 10 00 90	04/10/2010	31/12/2010	18/10/10	28/10/10
(meslin), spelt	1001 90 99 00				
Corn	1005				
Barley	1003 00 90 00				
Rye	1002 00 00 00				
Buckwheat	1008 10 00 00				

## Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

Pursuant to Article XI, paragraph 2(a) of GATT 1994 and in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Agreement of Agriculture, an export quota system is planned to be introduced in order to prevent a critical shortage in the domestic market resulting from a poor harvest in 2010 of certain agricultural products and eliminate a significant imbalance in the domestic grain market that is essential for food security and stability of the grain market.

The Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 938 of 4 October 2010 "On approval of quotas for certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 December 2010, and adoption of the procedure for issuing licences on certain agricultural products and distribution of quotas" makes provision for the introduction of licensing and distribution of export quotas on certain agricultural products until 31 December 2010. This Resolution is valid from the date of its official publication.

# Export quotas on certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 December 2010

Product covered	HS code heading	Export quotas until 31 December 2010
		(thousand tonnes)
Wheat and blend of wheat and	1001 10 00 90	500
rye (meslin), spelt	1001 90 99 00	
Corn	1005	2,000
Barley	1003 00 90 00	200
Rye	1002 00 00 00	1
Buckwheat	1008 10 00 00	1

#### Notification G/AG/N/UKR/5/Add.1

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	To	1	
Wheat and blend of wheat and rye	1001 10 00 90	28/12/2010	31/03/2011	30/12/10	10/01/11
(meslin), spelt	1001 90 99 00				
Corn	1005				
Barley	1003 00 90 00				
Rye	1002 00 00 00				
Buckwheat	1008 10 00 00				

# Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

The Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 1182 of 6 December 2010 amends the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 938 of 4 October 2010 "On approval of quotas for certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 December 2010, and adoption of the procedure for issuing licenses on certain agricultural products and distribution of quotas" in the following way: according to the new Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 1182 of 6 December 2010 the introduction of licensing and distribution of export quotas on certain agricultural products is extended until 31 March 2011.

The new Resolution also proposes some amendments to the HS codes and the quota amounts of the products in the table entitled "Export quotas on certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 March 2011" (modified as below).

#### Export quotas on certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 March 2011

Product covered	HS code heading	Export quotas until 31 March 2011 (thousand tonnes)		
Wheat and blend of wheat and rye	1001 10 00 90	1,000		
(meslin), spelt	1001 90 99 00			
Corn	1005 90 00 00	3,000		
Barley	1003 00 90 00	200		
Rye	1002 00 00 00	1		
Buckwheat	1008 10 00 00	1		

The quotas are allocated within seven calendar days from the date of publication of the notice regarding the opening of registration for applications, on the website of the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade.

The Resolution entered into force from the date of its official publication – 28 December 2010.

The text of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 1182 of 6 December 2010 (in Ukrainian) may be found on the following website: <a href="http://www.kmu.gov.ua/control/npd/list">http://www.kmu.gov.ua/control/npd/list</a>

#### Notification G/AG/N/UKR/5/Add.2

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Wheat and blend of wheat and rye	1001 10 00 90		30/06/2011	31/03/11	07/04/11
(meslin), spelt	1001 90 99 00				
Corn	1005				
Barley	1003 00 90 00				
Rye	1002 00 00 00				
Buckwheat	1008 10 00 00				

## Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

The draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine amends the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 938 of 4 October 2010 "On approval of quotas for certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 December 2010, and adoption of the Procedure for issuing licenses on certain agricultural products and distribution of quotas" in the following way: according to the draft Resolution, the introduction of licensing and distribution of export quotas on certain agricultural products is extended until 30 June 2011; the draft Resolution also amends the quota amounts for Corn (HS code heading 1005 90 00 00) to a total of 5 million tonnes.

The draft Resolution enters into force after its approval, from the date of its official publication. The text of the draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine (in Ukrainian) may be found on the following website: http://me.kmu.gov.ua/control/uk/publish/article?art\_id=163667&cat\_id=32862.

## Justification for measure being introduced

Information from the Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food shows that grain cultures production in 2010 was 39.2 million tonnes. Taking into account the 6 million tonnes of carry-over stocks, total grain culture supply in the current market year remained at 45.4 million tonnes. Expected domestic consumption of grain cultures is 26.1 million tonnes, including 6.7 million tonnes for food needs, 2.8 million tonnes for seeds, 14.57 million tonnes for fodder and 1.5 million tonnes for non-food processing.

In retaining 5.7 million tonnes in stocks, the export capabilities of grain cultures in the current market year remains at 13.6 million tonnes, including 5.1 million tonnes for wheat, 2.4 million tonnes for barley and 5.9 million tonnes for corn.

In the beginning of the 2010/2011 market year, the actual amounts of grain culture exports equaled 7.8 million tonnes (2.8 million tonnes for wheat, 2.4 million tonnes for barley and 2.5 million tonnes for corn). Thus, the availability of grain for export during March – June 2011 remained at 5.8 million tonnes (2.3 million tonnes for wheat and 3.4 million tonnes for corn).

Until 1 April 2011, 1.5 million tonnes of grain (1 million tonnes of corn and 0.5 million tonnes of wheat) are expected to be exported within the allocated quotas. Besides this, 1.3 million tonnes of grain will be exported under the free trade agreements

Thus, the export capability in April – June 2011 is equal to 2.9 million tonnes.

Taking this into consideration, Ukraine believes that the proposed measures will prevent the substantial growth of grain prices on the domestic market and consequently the growth of prices of food products (including, for example, bread and rolls, and meat production and eggs (because of increased fodder prices)).

#### Notification G/AG/N/UKR/5/Add.3

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)  Duration of application of application of application of application of application of application of submission		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То			
Wheat and blend of wheat and rye	1001 10 00 90	05/05/2011		10/05/11	13/05/11	
(meslin), spelt	1001 90 99 00					
Barley	1003 00 90 00					
Rye	1002 00 00 00					
Buckwheat	1008 10 00 00					

#### Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

The Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 463 of 27 April 2011 amends the annex of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 938 of 4 October 2010 "On approval of quotas for certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 December 2010, and adoption of the Procedure for issuing licenses on certain agricultural products and distribution of quotas" in the form of the exclusion of corn (HS Code heading 1005 90 00 00, total of 5,000 thousand tonnes) from quantitative export restriction.

The Resolution No. 463 enters into force from the date of its official publication (official newspaper "Uryadoviy Courier" No. 80, of 5 May 2011).

The text of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine (in Ukrainian) may be found on the following website: <a href="http://zakon1.rada.gov.ua/cgi-bin/laws/main.cgi?nreg=463-2011-%EF">http://zakon1.rada.gov.ua/cgi-bin/laws/main.cgi?nreg=463-2011-%EF</a>.

# Notification G/AG/N/UKR/5/Add.4

Description of Products	Tariff item number(s)	Duration of application measure		ER:1 Date of submission	ER:1 Date of notification
		From	То		
Rye	1002 00 00 00	04/06/2011		06/06/11	09/06/11
Buckwheat	1008 10 00 00				

## Nature of, and justification for, measure to be introduced

The Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 566 of 25 May 2011 amends the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 938 of 4 October 2010 "On approval of quotas for certain agricultural products, the exports of which are to be licensed until 31 December 2010, and adoption of the Procedure for issuing licenses on certain agricultural products and distribution of quotas" in the form of the exclusion from quantitative export restriction of the following products:

Product covered	HS code heading
Wheat and blend of wheat and rye	1001 10 00 90
(meslin), spelt	1001 90 99 00
Barley	1003 00 90 00

The Resolution No. 566 of 25 May 2011 enters into force from the date of its official publication (official newspaper "Uryadoviy Courier" No. 101 of 4 June 2011).

The text of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine (in Ukrainian) may be found on the following website: <a href="http://zakon1.rada.gov.ua/cgi-bin/laws/main.cgi?nreg=566-2011-%EF">http://zakon1.rada.gov.ua/cgi-bin/laws/main.cgi?nreg=566-2011-%EF</a>