1. This note summarizes the information provided by Jamaica concerning measures affecting trade in agricultural products as set out in document AG/FOR/JAM/1.

2. The information relates to 161 CCCN headings at the four-digit level in Chapters 1 to 24; no other products or headings are covered.

Measures affecting exports

3. As regards measures affecting exports, Jamaica has informed that, in principle, only measures of a general character are applied which affect the farming community, agricultural production and exports as a whole. Information on the general subsidy assistance schemes, agricultural credit and income tax relief to farmers has been provided in sections A, B and C of the same document.

4. Other measures influencing exports are licensing (L), quota restrictions (Q), prohibitions (P), other export control measures (XTX), State trading (ST) and guaranteed prices (GP). Licensing is enforced in the case of 92 positions or sub-positions under the provisions of Article XI:2a, and is classified under the symbol (a). Another 3 products are prohibited for exportation under Article XX:g, again classifiable under (a). Two items, i.e. ex 08.01 and 17.04 are a subject of quota under Article XX:h, and are again classified under (a). The same two items enjoy "guaranteed prices" when exported. Two items, i.e roasted coffee (ex 09.01) and sugar (17.01) are subject to other export control measures, which are classified under (d).

Measures affecting imports

(i) Tariffs and GATT Bindings

5. 41 of the 161 CCCN positions at the four-digit level are free of duty. The range for most other imports is between 5-50 per cent; while some products are subject to specific duty rates. No indication has been given of the GATT bound rates or of the preferential rates.

(ii) Other measures

6. Other measures affecting imports are discretionary licensing (DL), licensing (L), unspecified import restrictions (MR), quota restrictions (Q), prohibitions (P), seasonal restrictions (SR), sanitary regulations (SN) and State trading (ST).
7. Imports of 88 CCCN positions and sub-positions are subject to discretionary licensing, which is administered through the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and is shown under the symbol (f), without an indication of the relevant GATT Article. Imports of items 10.02, 10.03, and 10.04 are subject to licensing under the provisions of Article XX:b and are classified with symbol (a). "Other unspecified import restrictions" are applicable to 19 products; and a "quota" is applied in the case of another 11 products. Both these types of restrictions are shown with symbol (f). Prohibition is shown for one item (01.06) under Article XI:2 with symbol (a). About 7 products are subject to seasonal restrictions.

8. Sanitary regulations to safeguard human, animal and plant health under Article XX:b are imposed in the case of 111 products and are classified under (a).

9. State trading exists for 11 products (i.e. 02.02, 03.02, 04.02, 04.03, 10.01, 10.05, 10.06, 11.01, 11.02, 12.01 and 15.07) under the GATT Article XVII and is classified under (f).

Summary
- 212 measures have been classified under (a)
- none under (b), (c) or (e)
- 3 measures have been indicated with symbol (d)
- 132 measures have been shown under (f)