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A. PRODUCTION - PRODUCTION MEASURES AND POLICIES

A.1. Statistical data on total volume of production

A.2. Trends in production and estimates for 1970

Data on production are given in the following table.

Tobacco plays a very small role in Austrian agriculture, so that a forecast does not appear to be necessary.

### Cultivation and production of tobacco

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<td>in ha.</td>
<td>Total</td>
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<td>1965</td>
<td>383</td>
<td>5,960</td>
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<td>1966</td>
<td>346</td>
<td>5,953</td>
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<td>1967</td>
<td>267</td>
<td>5,440</td>
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A.3. Statistical data on carry-over and stocks

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A.4. Factors which affect production

See general reply in section A.4 of COM.AG/W/33.

A.5. Policies and measures of governments or other bodies likely to influence production, other than those listed under B

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B. PROTECTION AND SUPPORT MEASURES AND POLICIES

B.I. Internal support measures

B.I.1. Inventory of the instruments of support

Raw tobacco is subject to the Austrian Tobacco Monopoly. Domestic production is carried out for the Monopoly on a contract basis. The amount is quite negligible.

B.I.2. Levels of guaranteed prices or support prices

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B.I.3. Amount of producer subsidies

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B.I.4. Average return to producers

The average return to producers cannot be given because such details are not at hand and cannot be ascertained at short notice.

B.I.5. Method of determining returns for producers

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B.II. Measures at the frontier

Raw tobacco as well as tobacco products are imported by the Monopoly Administration on a commercial basis in an amount permitting to satisfy the wishes of the commerce.

There is no import duty on raw tobacco or tobacco products.
C. CONSUMPTION AND INTERNAL PRICES

C.1. Statistical data on consumption
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C.2. Trends in consumption and estimates for 1970
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C.3. Retail and wholesale prices on major internal markets
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C.4. Factors which condition the evolution of internal consumption
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C.5. Policies and measures affecting consumption
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D. **INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND PRICES**

D.1. Statistical data on the total volume of imports and exports by source and destination

**Austrian imports of raw tobacco and tobacco products**

in million Austrian schillings and million U.S. dollars (in brackets)

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<td>430,500 ($16,557)</td>
<td>438,000 ($16,846)</td>
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**Austrian exports of raw tobacco and tobacco products**

in million Austrian schillings and million U.S. dollars (in brackets)

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<td>4.7 ($0.181)</td>
<td>12.9 ($0.496)</td>
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D.2. **Levels of export prices prevailing in various markets; levels of import prices**

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D.3. **Export aid measures and policies**

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D.4. **Description of bilateral agreements affecting imports or exports**

Austria has contracted bilateral trade agreements with a number of countries with which it has not been possible to set up a multilateral payment system. The quota arrangements have purely indicative value.