COMMODITY INFORMATION

Jute Manufactures

(Switzerland)

Attached for the information of the Committee is the reply of the Government of Switzerland to the questionnaire contained in the annex to document COM.III/1.
Reply to Committee III Questionnaire
(Annex to document CCM.III/l)

Commodity: Woven fabrics of jute, unbleached, sack cloth

Existing Swiss tariff item No: 405
New Swiss tariff item No: 5710.10

A. Imports, Production, Consumption and Exports

1. Domestic Production
   (in metric tons)

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2. Domestic Consumption
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3. Imports
   (Volume in metric tons and value in millions of Sw.frs.)

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4. Exports
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*) 1 = Country of origin
   2 = Metric tons
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B. Tariffs

1. (a) Existing Swiss tariff:
   Tariff item No: 405  Rate in Sw.frs. per 100 kgs. Incidence: ad val.: 2%
   gross weight: l.-

   (b) New Swiss tariff:
   Tariff item No: 5710.10 Rate in Sw.frs. per 100 kgs. Incidence: ad val.: 2%
   gross weight: l.-

2. Tariff preferences: Nil

3. Binding: Bound under GATT in the case of woven fabrics having in a square
   of 5 mm. side up to 8 threads. Item No. 405 has been bound towards Czechoslovakia
   This binding has been withdrawn and the withdrawal shall lapse upon the
   entry into force of the new Swiss tariff.

C. Quantitative Restrictions

(1) Import system: unrestricted

(2) Application of controls and restrictions:

(3) (a) -

   (b) -

   (c) -

(4) -

D. Revenue and Internal Fiscal Charges

(1) )
   ) Turnover tax: Sw.frs. 20.- per 100 kgs. or 5.4% of value

(2) )

(3) no information available

(4) no information available

E. State Trading and Monopolies

(1) Methods of import controls: -

(2) (a) -

   (b) -

F. Other Measures

Nil
**Commodity:** Yarn of jute

Existing Swiss tariff item No: 399 b  
SITC heading No. ex 651.09  
New Swiss tariff item No: 5706.10/71  
B.N. heading No. 5504

### A. Imports, Production, Consumption and Exports

#### 1. Domestic Production
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#### 3. Imports
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Fr.   | 196  | 0.29 | 248  | 0.37 | 279  |
It.   | 1    | 0.001| 0    | 0    | -    |

Total: 497 0.69 663 0.90 649 0.88 737 1.15 566 0.87

#### 4. Exports
(Volume in metric tons and value in millions of Sw. frs.)

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Total: 114 0.3 112 0.3 148 0.4 110 0.3 49 0.1

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B. tariffs

1. (a) Existing Swiss tariff:
   Tariff item No: 399 b Rate in Sw.frs. per 100 kgs. 40.- Incidence: ad val. 5%
   (b) New Swiss tariff:
   Tariff item No: 5706.10/71 Rate in Sw.frs. per 25.- Incidence: ad val. 5-10%

2. Tariff preferences: Nil


C. Quantitative Restrictions

(1) Import system: unrestricted

(2) Application of controls and restrictions:

(3) (a) -
(b) -
(c) -

(4) -

D. Revenue and Internal Fiscal Charges

(1) Nil

(2) -

(3) -

(4) -

E. State Trading and Monopolies

(1) Methods of import controls:

(2) (a) -
(b) -

F. Other Measures

Nil
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Commodity: Jute bags

Existing Swiss tariff item No: 426        SITC heading No: ex 656.01
New Swiss tariff item No: 6203.52       B.N. heading No: ex 6203

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B. Tariffs

1. (a) **Existing Swiss tariff:**
   Tariff item No: 426 Rate in Sw.frs. per 100 kgs. gross weight: 50.- Incidence: ad val. 14%

(b) **New Swiss tariff:**
   Tariff item No: 6203.52 Rate in Sw.frs. per 100 kgs. gross weight: 35.- Incidence: ad val. 10%

2. **Tariff preferences:** Nil

3. **Binding:** Not bound

C. Quantitative Restrictions

(1) **Import system:** unrestricted

(2) **Application of controls and restrictions:**

(3) (a) -
(b) -
(c) -

(4) -

D. Revenue and Internal Fiscal Charges

(1) **Turnover tax:** Sw.frs. 30.- per 100 kgs. or 5.4% of value

(2) -

(3) -

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E. State Trading and Monopolies

(1) **Methods of import controls:**

(2) (a) -
(b) -

F. Other Measures

Nil
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Commodity: Mats and woven carpets, of jute

Existing Swiss tariff item No: 430  
SITC heading No. ex 657.02

New Swiss tariff item No: 5802.52  
B.N. heading No. ex 5801, ex 5802
ex 5803

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B. Tariffs

1. (a) Existing Swiss tariff:
   Tariff item No: 430 Rate in Sw.frs. per 100 kgs. gross weight: 75.- Incidence: ad val. 11%

   (b) New Swiss tariff:
   Tariff item No: 5802.52 Rate in Sw.frs. per 100 kgs. gross weight: 85.- Incidence: ad val. 13%

2. Tariff preferences: Nil

3. Binding: Not bound

C. Quantitative Restrictions

(1) Import system: unrestricted

(2) Application of controls and restrictions:

(3) (a) -
     (b) -
     (c) -

(4) -

D. Revenue and Internal Fiscal Charges

(1) Turnover tax: Sw.frs. 50.- or 5.4% of value

(2) -

(3) -

(4) -

E. State trading and Monopolies

(1) Methods of import controls:

(2) (a) -
     (b) -

F. Other Measures

Nil