At the last session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES to GATT held in October/November at Tokyo, the Netherlands delegation announced a programme of progressive reduction of the remaining import restrictions which were still applied to a limited number of products. In accordance with this programme the Netherlands Government has informed the GATT secretariat that import restrictions on the following products will be removed with effect from 1 January 1960:

- Seed-rye
- Rice, husked, glazed or not, fully polished, not broken
- Margarine, imitation lard and other edible fats obtained by similar process
- Beet sugar, cane sugar and like sugars
- Invert sugar and artificial honey
- Hydrochloric acid
- Salts of hypochlorous acid, other
- Soft soap (black soap, green soap and the like)
- Ordinary soap in blocks, slabs or bars, if the price is lower than Hfl.0.76 per kg., not cleared
- Soap, other (toilet, medicinal and similar soap) if the price is lower than Hfl.1.14 per kg., not cleared
- Casks, tubs, buckets and other coopers' wares and finished parts thereof, with or without metal-hoops, accessories or lining
- Blown or pressed glassware etc.

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