IMPORT RESTRICTIONS OF JAPAN

Relaxation of Restrictions and the Removal of Discrimination

The attached notes have been transmitted by the Government of Japan. They cover:

(i) liberalization measures effective as from 4 January 1960; and
(ii) further steps announced on 12 January 1960.

I. Liberalization Measures effective as from 4 January 1960

(1) Automatic Approval System

(a) Removal of dollar discrimination: Discrimination against dollar areas being abolished, the following items are now fully under the Automatic Approval System: lauans, apitons and kapur; abaca fibre and waste; gypsum (anhydrous sulphuric acid contents more than 44 per cent); copper alloy waste.

(b) Increase of Automatic Approval System items: Seventy-five items are added to the Automatic Approval System list (Annex A).

(2) Automatic Fund Allocation System

The Automatic Fund Allocation System initially opened in November 1959 for forty-eight items of machinery is extended to thirty-six consumer goods (Annex B). Under this system, import licences are issued upon application without limitation.

(3) Relaxation of import restrictions on consumer goods

Besides the measures taken for thirty-six items mentioned in (2) above, the Government now takes another step towards the relaxation of import of consumer goods to which no fund allocation has hitherto been made. The Government will hereafter receive the applications for the importation of consumer goods without specification of kinds, and a limited amount of funds will be allocated quarterly. It is probable that this system might not be extended to the exports of such countries as are practising unreasonable discrimination against Japanese products.
II. Further steps of Liberalization announced on 12 January 1960

The Ministerial Council which was recently established to expedite the liberalization of import and foreign exchange controls has decided to take the following measures for further relaxation of import and elimination of dollar discrimination.

(1) **Removal of Dollar Discrimination on the remaining six items under the Automatic Approval System**

Discrimination will be removed on iron and steel scrap, beef tallow, lard (crude) from April 1960. As for refined lard, the same measure will be taken after the revision of tariff rate.

Hides and skins from the dollar area will be added to the Automatic Approval System list by the end of September 1960 at the latest. Pig iron and soya bean from the dollar area will probably be covered by the Automatic Approval System as from October 1960.

(2) **Relaxation of Import Restrictions**

The following measures are scheduled to be taken in April 1960:

(a) **Addition to the Automatic Approval System list**

About 300 items, including wool waste, coffee beans, cinematographic films, will be added to the Automatic Approval System list (see Annex C).

(b) **Addition to the Automatic Fund Allocation list**

About 150 items, including ceramics and chemicals for the rubber and leather industries will be covered by the Automatic Fund Allocation System which was initiated last November (see Annex D).

(c) **Increased Quota for Consumer Goods**

As for the import of consumer goods, particularly finished goods, it was confirmed that further relaxation should be realized along the same line with the measures taken on 4 January.

**Note:** Japan's future liberalization measures, especially on consumer goods, might not be extended to the exports of such countries as are practising unreasonable discrimination against Japanese products.
Annex A - Items added to the Automatic Approval System List  
with effect from 4 January 1960

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<td>Canary seeds</td>
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<td>Watermelon seeds</td>
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<td>Bamboo sprouts, dried</td>
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<td>266-0129</td>
<td>Regenerated protein fibre</td>
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<td>Bristles, excluding of hogs</td>
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<td>291-0941</td>
<td>Natural gut</td>
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<td>291-0951</td>
<td>Natural perfume</td>
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<td>(Including the semi-solid form and the solid form, but excluding pepper-mint oil other than the mitcham grade, coca oil and kola oil)</td>
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<td>651-0211</td>
<td>Mohair yarn</td>
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Others

Agricultural and Aquatic Products

(1) Macadamia nuts
(2) Dupion cocoons
(3) Young plants
(4) Jelly fish
(5) Pine seeds
(6) Lotus nuts
(7) Common melon seeds
(8) Ganta Loupe seeds
(9) Dried plums
(10) Vermicell
(11) Bean-curd (red)
(12) Sakusai
(13) Insect wax
(14) Pig hooves
(15) Queen seed

Auxiliaries of Synthetic Resin

(1) Polymelid dibutyltin dialkoxide
(2) Dibutyltin mercapto compound
(3) Monohydrated tribasic lead maleate
(4) Tri (2 ethyl hexyl) phosphate

Inorganic Chemicals

(1) Sodium sulfohydrate nickel
(2) Calcium phosphate

Nitrogen Compound

(1) Butylethanolamine
(2) Diisopropylamine
(3) Dicyclohexylamine

Other Chemicals

(1) Cyclohexyl phenol
(2) Hepthylphenol
(3) Tetradecylphenol  
(4) Pentadecylphenol  
(5) Hexyl phenol  
(6) Hexadecylphenol  
(7) Heptadecylphenol  
(8) Octadecylphenol  
(9) Oleyl phenol  
(10) Tridecylphenol  
(11) Ethylene cyanhydrine  
(12) Methacrylatecromic chloride  
(13) Comprantex A & B  
(14) Ethylene dichloride  
(15) Plasticator FH

Rubber chemicals
(1) Antioxidant (RRIO, DDA, DDAEM, DOD)  
(2) Vulkacit (576, 774, J, F.P., J.R., WL, NP)  
(3) Accelerator (G-M-F)  
(4) Lunesela  
(5) Aranox  
(6) Flexamine  
(7) Curing agent CDO  
(8) Ethyl telrac  
(9) Tonox  
(10) Sunoco antt.check wax

Metal and Mineral Products
(1) Culant oil  
(2) Scotch slip  
(3) Scotch hone

Miscellaneous Goods
(1) Used stocking, silk and rayon (incl. mixed)  
(2) Used teromp  
(3) Filter cloth (for chemical fibre manufacturing only)
(4) Vulcanized fibre sheet (thickness 12 cm, up)
(5) Matrix paper
(6) Electrocardiograph recording paper
(7) Piano cloth (bushing cloth, wippen cloth, key cloth and hammer cloth, only)
(8) Hiwet 600 paper
(9) Die slick
(10) Fan frame
## Annex B - Items added to the Automatic Fund Allocation System List with effect from 4 January 1960

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<td>Radio receivers and chassis thereof, with transistors of 3 pieces or more</td>
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<td>Electric flat-irons</td>
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<td>721-0612</td>
<td>Electric stoves</td>
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<td>Electric washing m/c, not equipped with drying unit</td>
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<td>Electric fans, including ventilating fans</td>
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<td>Camera, not more than $100 per set</td>
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<td>Lenses, photographic</td>
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<td>Hand sewing needles (base metal only)</td>
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<td>Coffee mills (hand operating only)</td>
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<td>699-1611</td>
<td>Table and kitchen knives, forks and spoons of base metals (excluding those made of, or combined with precious metals, metals coated with precious metals, precious stones, semi-precious stones, pearls, shell of pearl oyster, coral, elephant's ivory or tortoise shell)</td>
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<td>Meat choppers (hand operating only)</td>
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Musical instruments and parts and accessories, excluding electric and electronic music instruments, and hand harmonicas (excluding less than 120 base)

Umbrellas, parasols, walking sticks, and similar articles

Artificial flowers, foliage or fruits and parts thereof (excluding those made of synthetic resin)

Hair net

Buttons (excluding those for cuffs and collars, those made of metals and precious stones, snaps, hooks, eyes and slide fasteners)

Brooms and brushes

Sports goods and parts and accessories thereof (excluding fishing reels and those for golf)
Toys and parts thereof (excluding electric motors for toys and those made of synthetic resin)

Pens and pen-holders (excluding fountain pens, ball pens and mechanical pencils)

Office supplies (excluding typewriter ribbons and those made of paper)

Smoking tools
612-0999  Smoking tools (cont.)
632-0999
699-2925
699-2926
699-2927
899-9999
899-9921  Hair combs
899-9922
899-9923
899-9924
899-9925  Hair pins
899-9926
699-0830
899-9916  Buckles
699-2928
612-0930
553-0131  Hemp fabrics
553-0132
553-0139
553-0310
553-0320
553-0330
553-0340
553-0390
553-0511  Vinylon fabrics
553-0512
553-0523
553-0524
553-0525
553-0526
553-0527
553-0529
699-2210  Stoves and furnaces for household use
699-2220  (excluding those using gas fluid fuels)
699-2230
699-2290
862-0129  Film for polaroid cameras
Annex C - Items to be added to the Automatic Approval System List with effect from April 1960

Main items
1. Nickel ore
2. Wool waste
3. Coffee beans
4. Rabbit hair with skin
5. Cinematographic films, not exposed 35 mm. width (except colour films)
6. Record mother (including recorded tape)
7. Compound perfumes (published item only)
8. Pipe fittings of malleable cast iron

Other items
I. Chemicals
(1) Synthetic resin and auxiliaries of synthetic resin
1. Polyester of sebatic acid
2. 100 per cent phenolic resin
3. Acrylicester emulsion
4. Seal peal
5. Mixture of normaloctyl adipate and normal decyladipate
6. Basic lead silicate sulfate
7. Alkylaryl phosphate
8. Markstabilizer PL
9. " XI
10. " XV
11. " XX
12. " KE
13. Antistatic plasticizer 7036
14. Plasticator 88
15. Polymeric:edibutyltin alkylmaleat
16. Polypropylene film
17. Piccolyte resin
18. Piccopale resin
19. Dow resin
20. Penton resin
21. Mondur-S
22. Triazine-resin-S
23. Parco resin
24. Devcon A.B.C.E.
25. Cymel
26. Arochena Hart resin
27. Diallyl phthalate monomer
28. Vinyl extrusion compound
29. Styrene-methyl methacrylate
30. Salan coating resin
31. Permanent powder
32. Resin S.K.
33. Resin A.P.
34. Resin AW-2
35. Hastalit CAM
36. Xylen formaldehyde resin
37. Lequval emulsion W.S.F.
38. Termite repellent 1368
39. Butoxy resin
40. C-oil
41. Viden film
42. Arolon
43. Pentalyn resin
44. Accostrengh paper resin
45. Everflex
46. Polyvinyl acetate co-polymer
47. Hydrocarbon resin (published item only)
48. Red top matrix sheet
49. Polyvinyl ethyl ether resin

(2) Acetate ether keton and ester
1. Tetra hydrofurfuryl alcohol
2. Propylene glycol arginate
3. Isopropylether
(3) Rubber chemicals
1. Vulkalent B
2. Porofor BSH
3. Trimen base
4. Porofor
5. Vulkadure

(4) Textile chemicals
1. Polygum
2. Moth snub D conc
3. Kara gum CU extra
4. Nafka crystal gum

(5) Solvents
1. Deodorized spray base
2. Butaxyl
3. Methyl cellosolve acetate
4. Super VM
5. Super VMP Naohtha
6. AMSCO ink oil
7. Panasol RX-5
8. Normal propyl alcohol

(6) Pigments
1. Cingwasis red
2. Green gold
3. Valcan fast ruby-B
4. Silcar pigment
5. Cardox
6. Willow green

(7) Inorganic chemicals
1. High compressed neon gas
2. Boron sulfide
3. Neon helium mixed gas
4. Veegum
5. Benton
6. Santocel
7. Iridite
8. Nubrite
9. Rokco
10. Radium Bromide
11. Mono aluminum phosphate
12. Copper carbonate
13. Trifluoroacetic acid
14. Molykoto
15. Metallizing dye solution
16. Rare earth oxide
17. Trowal tumbling compound
18. Carbamids peroxide
19. Berrel nickel brightener
20. Stress reducing agent
21. Nickel brightener
22. Copper brightener
23. Metal surface finish

(8) Oil and fat and its products
1. Craftint opaque non-rge compound
2. Rollepasto
3. Sweet almond oil
4. Lonogel
5. Lanocerina
6. Satol
7. Chemactant
8. Gur gum
9. Carnelo wax
10. Atlantic wax
11. Alexander wax
12. Sugar can wax
13. Cedar wax material
14. Lauan oil
15. Houghto clean
16. Sun check wax

(9) Organic chemicals
1. Sebacic acid
2. Isosebacic acid
3. Trimellitic acid and its anhydride
4. Pyromellitic acid and its dianhydride
5. Propionic acid
6. 2-Nitro-1-butanol
7. Neopentyl glycol
8. Aluminum isopropylate
9. Para tertiary butyl catechol
10. N-Methyl morpholine
11. N-Vinyl-2-Pyrrolidone
12. N-Methyl-2-Pyrrolidone
13. Sucrose acetate isobutyrate
14. Auxol
15. 2-Diethylaminoethyl methacrylate
16. Vinyl propionate
17. Separan
18. Enzyme
19. 8-Oxyquinoline
20. Vanfre
21. Orminal
22. 1,4-Butynediol
23. Fusel oil
24. Dipentek
25. N-Butyl vinyl ether
26. Polyethylene glycol dimethacrylate
27. Mestylene
28. Alamask
29. Allylisothiocyanate
30. Cumene hydroperoxide
31. Zelec
32. Crotonic acid
33. Diphenolic acid
34. Hexamethylene diamine
35. Benzoguanamine

(10) Other chemicals
1. Unexposed films for aircraft photograph
2. Non-inflammable film base
3. Micro film
4. Hide powder
5. Neat foot oil
6. Unichrome compound
7. Sica
8. Octate drier
9. Furfural
10. Tetra hydrofuran
11. Iso safrole eugenol
12. Tanning fixing agent
13. Mono tertiary butyl m-cresol
14. Solvesso
15. Sodium N lauryl sarcosinate
16. Sarcosine
17. Dihydroxy-dephenyl sulfone
18. Agepon
19. Developer for matrix paper and copyrapid paper
20. Metallic napthenates
21. Chrome tanning agent
22. Nitro cellulose lacquer chip
23. Antiskining agent
24. Diantremide
25. Celogen
26. Suede gum and suede spray
27. Rohapon
28. Barge
29. Arubren CP
30. Impranil FLD
31. Definal
32. Definal 1097
33. Auxiliary of definal 768
34. " T55
35. Koresin Kl-1
36. Darbans
37. Coating for leather and its agent (published item only)
38. Oiling agent for leather (published item only)
39. Oropon
40. Zero-mist
41. Light absorber ACC 314.24
42. Light absorber Dow HCB
43. Propylen glycol stearate
44. Avizol
45. Emulvin
46. Valtamol
47. Latecoll A.S.
48. Loxite
49. Fish glue
50. Nickel lume
51. Caroten
52. Mold coating compound
53. Formula 602
54. Kopesal
55. Thermoplastic flooding compound

II. Synthetic perfumes
   1. Benzyl acetate
   2. Linalyl acetate
   3. Citronellol
4. Geraniol
5. Hydroxy citronellol
6. Linalool
7. Musk xylol
8. Other synthetic perfume n.e.s.

III. Miscellaneous
1. Hammer felt for pianos
2. Lime powder
3. Motarloy
4. Leader film
5. Filter supporter
6. Leather (except bulls, swine, sheep and goat leather)
7. Sheep and goat leather (published item only)
8. Waste and used leather (used waste leather of bulls and horses and swine)
9. Laqur disc
10. Frequency record
11. Effective record
12. Panama hat bodies
13. Ribbon for hats
14. NCR molding sticks
15. Rubber powder
16. Thermofax paper
17. Jeltong

IV. Metal and Mineral Products
1. Feldspar
2. Vormiculite

V. Dyestuff
   Carboren salt A

VI. Materials for Medicine
1. Alcentoin
2. Methyl amino ethanol catecol
3. Parachlorobenzyl chloride
4. Royal jelly
5. Para aceto amino phenol
6. Torimethyl hydroquinon
7. Parachloro benzyl cyanide
8. Dioxy pyrimidine compound
9. Mannite

VII. Agricultural and Aquatic Products
1. Cornal
2. Turpentine oil
3. Panama straw
4. Sloe base
5. Tongking bamboo
6. Vermouth herb compound
7. Bonificatiem plant
8. Gin plant
9. Soap nut
10. Linder nut
11. Rafia fibre
12. Sandalwood, sandal chip and powder
13. Gampi
14. Coffee senna
15. White oak chip
16. Saponin
17. Dried lungngan
18. Dried persimmons
19. Dried apricots
20. Dried peaches
21. Dried figs
22. Black fungus
23. Lotus nuts
24. Lily flowers
25. Ginkgo biloba
26. Fungus, white
27. Dried cole
28. Lily roots, dried, sliced
29. Swallow nests
30. Lungngan
31. Beat scum
32. Feathers
33. Bullrushes
34. Dog skin
35. Green tea

VIII. Textiles

1. Waste and rags of silk fabrics
2. Paper cloth
3. Hat bodies of paper (incl. paper products)
4. Cordages, cables and ropes, of silk, sisal and coir
5. Cotton powder, wool powder, silk powder and artificial fibre powder
Annex D - Items to be added to the Automatic Fund Allocation System

List with effect from April 1960

I. Chemicals

(1) Rubber chemicals
   1. Vulkacit L.D.A.
   2. Permalux
   3. Antioxidant B-L-E-25
   4. Tepidone
   5. Antioxidant 4010 (include NA)
   6. Antioxidant NBC
   7. Dibenzo G-M-F
   8. Dibenzo Z-B-X
   9. Wingstay S
   10. Tetrone A

(2) Solvents
   1. Methyl hexalin
   2. tetralin
   3. dekalin

(3) Surface active agents
   1. Orotan 730-X
   2. Stabex 2-X
   3. Catanac SN
   4. Duponol XL

(4) Chlorinated Rubber
   1. Parlon
   2. Alloprene

(5) Materials for medicine
   1. Aluminium Oxide
   2. Ammonium persulfate

(6) Photographic materials
   1. Crona flex
   2. 9.5 m/m Reversal cine film
   3. Minox film
   4. Astrolon sheet
   5. Auto positive paper
   6. Odelca X-ray film
7. Nucleus plate
8. Roto film
9. Gelatin (for photographic)

(7) Plastics
1. Food plast
2. Polyurthean resin

(8) Miscellaneous products
1. Adiprene
2. Semprit rubber stereo matrices
3. Glass holder
4. Kodak photographic printing goods
5. ASCO teflon sterling
6. Gelatine filter
7. Film band
8. Cheese melting salt

(9) Oils & fats and their products
1. Alkanex
2. Lecton
3. Terebec
4. Petrolite wax
5. Zophar wax
6. Sheet wax
7. Synthetic Wax

(10) Tanning materials
1. Chromedulol
2. Hexoran powder
3. Nopco 1525
4. Nopcol-X sponging compound
5. Lustrone
6. Orthodull
7. Paraloid
8. Primal color
9. Curtofen wax

10. Edison deodorant
11. Sandozin B
12. Dermafix VC 54
13. Chromosal
14. Meludex
15. Levogen
16. Chromitan
17. Derminal
18. Preventol
19. Mollescal
20. Remolgan
21. Hydrholac

(11) Other inorganic chemicals
1. Eastman 910
2. Smooth-on iron cement
3. Indulin C
4. Sealing compound
5. Aircraft maintenance materials
6. Vitalyte
7. Thread compound
8. Plating additional agents
9. Pipe joint compound X band
10. Primaton makeready process
11. Beka green chemical process
12. Ideal tack rag
13. Spraylat
14. Q-Broxin
15. Mechanical chalk relief makeready
16. Irish moss
17. Howalith
18. Pergut
19. Cetiol
20. Eutancl
21. Silicone Intermediate

(12) Organic chemicals
1. Cronox
2. Acetophenone
3. Isoschum chemical
4. Isobutane
II. Non-metallic mineral products
1. Row spectacle sheet glass
2. Cerium oxide
3. A.O.E. mery
4. Arkansas rough rock
5. Hand lepper
6. Lapping compound
7. Barton
8. Frit
9. Diamantins H3, H4
10. Fabco Grip-Dek

III. Textiles
1. Hemp yarns and threads, wholly or partly of other fibres
2. Padding for lapels, wholly or partly of horse hair
3. Hat bodies made of abaca
4. Hemp twines
5. Hammocks, excluding canvas hammocks
6. Bath mats
7. Mosquito nets
8. Shoe laces
9. Badges and insignia of textile fabrics
10. Fronts, collars and cuffs
11. Trouser suspenders or braces
12. Belt (worn on person), textile fabrics
13. Sleeve suspenders, stocking suspenders and the like
14. Sarongs and the like
15. Brassieres and corsets, not embroidered
16. Clothing used

IV. Paper
1. Paper lace
2. Paraffin paper and wax paper
3. Oiled paper
4. Lithotransfer paper
5. Blotting paper
6. Imitation parchment
7. Stencil paper
V. Miscellaneous
1. China for table use
2. Chinaware novelties
3. Wristwatch bands
4. Goggles
5. Shakers
6. Playing cards
7. Venetian blinds

VI. Agricultural and aquatic products
1. Breeding mink
2. Breeding bees
3. Canaries for breeding
4. Pigeons for breeding
5. Breeding chickens
6. Hatching eggs
7. Goldfish
8. Canned goods (bamboo sprouts, cuttlefish, abalone, top shells, little neck clam, hard clam)