GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

International Dairy Arrangement
Committee of the Protocol Regarding Certain Milk Powders
Committee of the Protocol Regarding Milk Fat
Committee of the Protocol Regarding Certain Cheeses

SURVEY OF GOVERNMENT MEASURES TO EXPAND DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS

1. At the special meeting which the Committees held on 15 December 1982, it was agreed that additional information would be useful for the survey of government measures to expand domestic consumption of dairy products.

2. Delegations interested in this work have been invited to communicate to the secretariat by 1 May 1983 the information listed in the annex.

3. If participating governments have difficulty in replying to some questions, a best-e ndeavour effort would be appreciated, or if appropriate, a nil entry. If information requested is already published a note on each question, indicating precisely the source, would suffice. A copy of the relevant document would be appreciated.
ANNEX

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Survey of Comparative Quantitative Data on Existing or Planned Programmes

(A) INFORMATION ON GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMES TO EXPAND CONSUMPTION:


I. Welfare and social programmes

Describe nature and extent of following programmes, and attempt a broad estimate of the proportion of total government expenditure on such programmes that was used for the main dairy products: butter, skimmed milk powder, cheese and milk for human consumption, and the volume of these products utilized per year.

(a) School food programmes, such as:

(1) School lunch programmes
(2) Breakfast programmes
(3) Milk in schools

(b) Institutions and needy persons programmes

(c) Food stamp programmes

(d) Other welfare programmes.

II. Direct consumer subsidies for butter

(a) Schemes that reduce final consumer price - level of subsidy per unit, tonnage on which paid, and total expenditure.

(b) Reduced price sales to manufacturers. Give for each programme details as for II(a).

(c) Other schemes, such as Christmas Butter, sales to military, and direct subsidies to particular groups not included in Part (A)I(b). Same details as for II(a).
III. **Direct subsidies for use of skimmed milk powder and liquid skimmed milk for animal feed**

Give levels of subsidy per unit of product, tonnage on which paid, total expenditure per annum for schemes such as:

(a) Liquid skimmed milk for:
   (1) Farm retention use
   (2) Selling back to farmers

(b) Skimmed milk powder for:
   (1) Calves and veal production
   (2) Pigs and poultry feed

Also provide indicative price levels for alternative protein feeds.

(c) Other animal feed programmes

IV. **Sales and/or donations of government support stocks not included in Part AI, II and III**

V. **Direct subsidies to consumers for products other than butter and skimmed milk powder including cheese and milk for human consumption**

Give details on volumes and expenditure involved per annum similar to that provided under Section A.II.

(B) **BROAD ESTIMATE OF:**

(1) Proportion of total consumption of butter, skimmed milk powder, cheese and milk for human consumption, supported by government programmes per year.

(2) Total net expenditure of such programmes per year.

That is, total the components in Part (A) above in order to broadly estimate the total volume involved and net government expenditure.

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COMPARATIVE GENERAL OVERVIEW OF TOTAL CONSUMPTION OF BUTTER, SKIMMED MILK POWDER, CHEESE AND MILK FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION, AND PROPORTION OF CONSUMPTION SUPPORTED BY GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMES IN RELATION TO TOTAL PRODUCTION AND STOCKS:

This overview to be compiled by the secretariat through the construction of a time series (1979 to 1981 and estimates for 1982) for each of the products listed above. The series would include information on the following:

- Total production
- Total consumption
- Proportion of total consumption supported by Government measures
- Total exports
- Total imports
- End of year stocks
- Total net Government expenditure on consumption programmes.

APPENDIX

Participants could also answer the following questions:

INDIRECT GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMES FOR EXPANDING CONSUMPTION OF PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCTS:

I. Government-imposed producer levies

Size of levy, volume involved, total funds generated per annum. Extent of use of these funds for:

- Promotion of butter, cheese, skimmed milk powder and milk for human consumption
- Subsidizing the price of butter for manufacture
- Market and product research
- Other

II. Government assisted promotion of butter, cheese, skimmed milk powder and milk for human consumption

Give details of Government financial assistance to organizations promoting consumption of these products.