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INFORMATION ON MEASURES AFFECTING TRADE SUBMITTED BY ARGENTINA

Note by the Secretariat

- 1. This note has been prepared by the secretariat in order to facilitate the organization of the discussion in the Committee, notably with respect to Exercise A, as it was suggested by the Chairman at the meeting in June 1983 (AG/M/2, para. 23). It provides a summary of the information on measures affecting trade submitted by Argentina in document AG/FOR/ARG/1.
- 2. Argentina's information relates, with few exceptions, to all products falling within CCCN Chapters 1 to 24. It also contains some introductory remarks describing the measures maintained.

Measures affecting export

- 3. Measures affecting export from Argentina include "reembolsos", i.e. drawbacks of indirect taxes (RR), export duties (XLV), bilateral supply agreements (BSA), and one export prohibition (P).
- 4. No classification has been provided for "reembolsos", which cover 23 CCCN at four-digit level. Reference is made, however, to Article XVI and to the explatory note on that measure submitted by Argentina.
- 5. Export duties covering, wholly or partially, 139 CCCN at four-digit level), have been classified under (f), i.e. all other measures (other that those classified in para. 7a-e of AG/1). No reference to GATT provisions is indicated.
- 6. The export prohibition, (covering, partially, 1 CCCN of four-digit level) has been classified under (a), i.e. measures taken by virtue of provisions with special reference to agriculture in the General Agreement. Reference is made to the provisions of Article XI:2.

Measures affecting import

(i) Tariffs

- 7. Bound or partially bound duties apply to 27 CCCN of four-digit level. No classification has been provided for them. In both cases, however, reference is made to Schedule LXIV and the provisions of Article II.
- 8. No classification has been provided for unbound duties (which apply to 136 CCCN at four-digit level).

(ii) Other measures

- 9. Other measures affecting import into Argentina include one import restriction (MR), import prohibitions (P), sanitary regulations (SN), phytosanitary regulations (PSN), and other form of import controls or regulations (OFMC).
- 10. The import restriction is taken in conjunction with an import control regulation on seeds. No classification has been provided for this measure.
- ll. Import prohibitions (covering, wholly or partially, 2 CCCN at four-digit level) have been classified under (a). Reference is made to the provisions of Article XX:b.
- 12. Sanitary regulations (covering 14 CCCN at four-digit level), and phytosanitary regulations (covering 2 CCCN at four-digit level) have been both classified under (a), also with reference to the provisions of Article XX:b.
- 13. No classification is provided for other forms of import controls or regulations which cover 5 CCCN at four-digit level. Reference is made, however, to the provisions of Article VIII:4 f.

Summary

- Four types of measures have been classified under (a)
- No measures has been classified under (b)
- No measures has been classified under (c)
- No measures has been classified under (d)
- No measures has been classified under (e)
- One measure has been classified under (f)
- For six types of measures no classification has been provided.