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CURRENT DATA AVAILABILITY IN THE INTEGRATED DATA BASE

Note by the Secretariat¹

Revision

Following a request of the Negotiating Group on Market Access, this note provides an up-to-date overview of data available for tariff negotiations in WTO and UN databases.

The attached tables indicate the data available in the Integrated Data Base (IDB) for 2001 applied duties and for 1999-2001 imports.² They also show for the same years whether data gaps for tariffs can be filled from the United Nations Tariff and Market Access Database (UN TARMAC) of ITC and UNCTAD, and, likewise, whether data gaps for imports can possibly be sourced from the United Nations Commodity Trade Statistics Database (UN Comtrade).

Data available in the UN databases may not always satisfy IDB submission requirements. Nevertheless, the fact that data on MFN applied tariffs and tariff line imports are available in these UN databases is a good indication of the Member's ability to furnish such data. For example, UN Comtrade data is disseminated only at the level of HS 6-digit subheadings but often countries submit data to the UN at the level of national tariff lines, similar to IDB notification requirements.

Table 1 shows for all Members the data available in the IDB, in the UN TARMAC and in the UN Comtrade databases, as of 3 March 2005. Table 2 shows how these two UN databases could be used to complement the IDB database. For UN Comtrade, only import submissions having the same nomenclature version and the same or higher level of detail as the corresponding IDB tariff data are presented in the attached tables.

Table 2 shows that tariffs available in the UN TARMAC database may fill 31 of the IDB data gaps where there had been no data so far for the year 2001. There are, however, 17 Members remaining for which no tariff is currently available in either source. Out of these, 12 are LDCs.

For imports, UN Comtrade may be used to fill gaps in IDB import submissions. For 15 Members where there had been no import data for 1999-2001, UN Comtrade could possibly provide full or partial coverage. Furthermore, for 10 Members, UN COMTRADE may complement 11 data periods missing in IDB data. Import data for 26 Members are partially covered in both sources. However, for these same Members 36 data periods are still missing. Finally, there are 26 Members remaining for which no import data is currently available in either source. Out of these, 13 are LDCs.

¹ This document has been prepared under the Secretariat's own responsibility and without prejudice to the positions of Members and to their rights and obligations under the WTO.

² For the IDB, document G/MA/IDB/2/Rev.21 give an overview of all data available as of 10 March 2005.

Table 1: Data availability in the IDB, in the UN TARMAC and in the UN Comtrade databases, as of 3 March 2005

Imports						WTO Member	Applied tariffs	
UN Comtrade			IDB				IDB	UN TARMAC
1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001		2001	2001
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*			Albania	Yes	Yes
						Angola		
						Antigua and Barbuda	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Argentina	Yes	Yes
						Armenia		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Australia	Yes	Yes
			Yes*			Bahrain	Yes	Yes
	Yes	Yes				Bangladesh		
			Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Barbados	Yes	Yes
						Belize		Yes
						Benin		Yes
		Yes	Yes	Yes		Bolivia	Yes	Yes
						Botswana		Yes
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Brazil	Yes	Yes
			Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Brunei Darussalam	Yes	Yes
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Bulgaria	Yes	Yes
						Burkina Faso		Yes
	Yes	Yes				Burundi		
						Cambodia		Yes
						Cameroon	Yes	Yes
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Canada	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes				Central African Republic		Yes
						Chad		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Chile	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	China	Yes	Yes
		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Colombia	Yes	Yes
						Congo		Yes
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Costa Rica	Yes	Yes
				Yes		Côte d'Ivoire		Yes
Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes	Croatia	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Cuba	Yes	
						Democratic Republic of the Congo		
						Djibouti		
	Yes				Yes	Dominica	Yes	Yes
	Yes		Yes*	Yes*		Dominican Republic	Yes	Yes
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Ecuador	Yes	
				Yes	Yes	Egypt	Yes*	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	El Salvador	Yes	Yes
			Yes	Yes	Yes	European Communities	Yes	Yes
					Yes	Fiji		
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Gabon		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes				Gambia		
				Yes	Yes*	Georgia	Yes	
				Yes*	Yes	Ghana	Yes	

Imports						WTO Member	Applied tariffs	
UN Comtrade			IDB				IDB	UN TARMAC
1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001			
						Grenada	Yes*	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Guatemala	Yes	Yes
				Yes		Guinea		
						Guinea Bissau		Yes
Yes			Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Guyana	Yes	Yes
						Haiti		
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Honduras	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Hong Kong, China	Yes	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Iceland		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	India	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Indonesia	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Israel	Yes*	
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Jamaica	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Japan	Yes	
		Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Jordan	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*		Kenya	Yes	Yes
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Korea, Republic of	Yes	
	Yes	Yes				Kuwait		
						Kyrgyz Republic	Yes	
						Lesotho		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Macao, China	Yes	
Yes				Yes*		Madagascar		Yes
Yes		Yes				Malawi		Yes
		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Malaysia	Yes	Yes
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Maldives		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes				Mali		Yes
			Yes*		Yes	Mauritania	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Mauritius	Yes	
		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Mexico	Yes	Yes
		Yes				Moldova		Yes
Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Mongolia	Yes	
			Yes*			Morocco		Yes
	Yes	Yes				Mozambique		Yes
						Myanmar		Yes
						Namibia		Yes
Yes						Nepal		
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	New Zealand	Yes*	
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Nicaragua	Yes	Yes
		Yes				Niger		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes				Nigeria	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Norway	Yes	Yes
	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Oman	Yes	
			Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Pakistan	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Panama	Yes	Yes
						Papua New Guinea	Yes	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Paraguay	Yes	Yes
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Peru	Yes	
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Philippines	Yes	Yes
	Yes	Yes				Qatar		

Imports						WTO Member	Applied tariffs	
UN Comtrade			IDB				IDB 2001	UN TARMAC 2001
1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001			
	Yes		Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Romania		Yes
Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes	Rwanda		Yes
			Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Saint Kitts and Nevis		Yes
				Yes	Yes	Saint Lucia	Yes	Yes
						Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Senegal		Yes
						Sierra Leone		
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Singapore	Yes	Yes
						Solomon Islands		
	Yes		Yes	Yes		South Africa	Yes	Yes
Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sri Lanka	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Suriname		
						Swaziland		Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Switzerland	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Taipei, Chinese	Yes	Yes
Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Tanzania		
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Thailand	Yes*	Yes
		Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Togo	Yes	Yes
			Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Trinidad and Tobago		Yes
			Yes*			Tunisia	Yes*	
			Yes	Yes		Turkey	Yes	
Yes	Yes					Uganda	Yes	Yes
						United Arab Emirates		
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	United States	Yes	Yes
		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Uruguay	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Venezuela	Yes	
	Yes	Yes				Zambia	Yes	
		Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Zimbabwe	Yes	Yes

The following symbols are used in the table:

Yes = information available.

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Table 2: Combined data sources: IDB data complemented by UN databases, as of 3 March 2005

Imports			WTO Member	Applied tariffs
1999	2000	2001		2001
U	Yes*_U	U	Albania	Yes
			Angola	
			Antigua and Barbuda	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Argentina	Yes
			Armenia	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Australia	Yes
Yes*			Bahrain	Yes
	U	U	Bangladesh	
Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Barbados	Yes
			Belize	U
			Benin	U
Yes	Yes	U	Bolivia	Yes
			Botswana	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Brazil	Yes
Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Brunei Darussalam	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Bulgaria	Yes
			Burkina Faso	U
	U	U	Burundi	
			Cambodia	U
			Cameroon	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Canada	Yes
U	U	U	Central African Republic	U
			Chad	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Chile	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	China	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Colombia	Yes
			Congo	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Costa Rica	Yes
	Yes		Côte d'Ivoire	U
U	Yes	Yes	Croatia	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Cuba	Yes
			Democratic Republic of the Congo	
			Djibouti	
		Yes	Dominica	Yes
Yes*	Yes*	U	Dominican Republic	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Ecuador	Yes
	Yes	Yes	Egypt	Yes*
Yes	Yes	Yes	El Salvador	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	European Communities	Yes
		Yes	Fiji	
Yes	Yes	U	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Yes
Yes*_U	Yes*_U	Yes	Gabon	U
U	U	U	Gambia	
	Yes	Yes*	Georgia	Yes
	Yes*	Yes	Ghana	Yes
			Grenada	Yes*_U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Guatemala	Yes

Imports			WTO Member	Applied tariffs
1999	2000	2001		2001
		Yes	Guinea	
			Guinea Bissau	U
Yes*_U	Yes*	Yes*	Guyana	Yes
			Haiti	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Honduras	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Hong Kong, China	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Iceland	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	India	Yes
Yes*_U	Yes*_U	Yes	Indonesia	Yes
Yes*_U	Yes*_U	Yes*_U	Israel	Yes*
Yes	Yes	Yes	Jamaica	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Japan	Yes
Yes*	Yes	Yes	Jordan	Yes
Yes*_U	Yes*_U	U	Kenya	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Korea, Republic of	Yes
	U	U	Kuwait	
			Kyrgyz Republic	Yes
			Lesotho	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Macao, China	Yes
U	Yes*		Madagascar	U
U		U	Malawi	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Malaysia	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Maldives	U
U	U	U	Mali	U
Yes*		Yes	Mauritania	Yes
Yes	Yes*_U	Yes	Mauritius	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Mexico	Yes
		U	Moldova	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Mongolia	Yes
Yes*			Morocco	U
	U	U	Mozambique	U
			Myanmar	U
			Namibia	U
U			Nepal	
Yes	Yes	Yes*_U	New Zealand	Yes*
Yes	Yes	Yes	Nicaragua	Yes
		U	Niger	U
U	U	U	Nigeria	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Norway	Yes
Yes*	Yes*_U	Yes	Oman	Yes
Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Pakistan	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Panama	Yes
			Papua New Guinea	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Paraguay	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Peru	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Philippines	Yes
	U	U	Qatar	
Yes	Yes*	Yes*_U	Romania	U
Yes		Yes	Rwanda	U
Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Saint Kitts and Nevis	U

Imports			WTO Member	Applied tariffs
1999	2000	2001		2001
	Yes	Yes	Saint Lucia	Yes
			Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	U
U	Yes	Yes	Senegal	U
			Sierra Leone	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Singapore	Yes
			Solomon Islands	
Yes	Yes	U	South Africa	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Sri Lanka	Yes
Yes*_U	Yes*_U	Yes*_U	Suriname	
			Swaziland	U
Yes	Yes	Yes	Switzerland	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Taipei, Chinese	Yes
U	Yes	Yes	Tanzania	
Yes	Yes	Yes*_U	Thailand	Yes*_U
Yes*	Yes	Yes	Togo	Yes
Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Trinidad and Tobago	U
Yes*			Tunisia	Yes*
Yes	Yes		Turkey	Yes
U	U		Uganda	Yes
			United Arab Emirates	
Yes	Yes	Yes	United States	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Uruguay	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Venezuela	Yes
	U	U	Zambia	Yes
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