

NOTIFICATION

The following notification concerning the volume-based special safeguard (**Table MA:3**) was received from the delegation of the **Czech Republic** on 11 October 2002.

Table MA:3

MARKET ACCESS: Czech Republic

Notification under Article 5 of the Agreement: Special Safeguard: Volume-based

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| 1. Description of product: | Pasta, whether or not cooked or stuffed (with meat or other substances) or otherwise prepared, such as spaghetti, macaroni, noodles, lasagne, gnocchi, ravioli, cannelloni, couscous, whether or not prepared (except couscous) |
| 2. Tariff item number: | 1902 (except 1902 40) |
| 3. Trigger level:
(as calculated in Annex 1) | 9,867 tonnes |
| 4. Volume of imports entering territory in current period: | 9,908 tonnes (1 January – 19 August 2002) |
| 5. Period of application: | from 15 October 2002 to 31 December 2002 |

Annex 1 to Table MA:3

Information required for the calculation of the Trigger Level

Consumption* in the three preceding years for which data are available:

1998:	45,740.1 tonnes
1999:	48,080.8 tonnes
2000:	48,642.7 tonnes
Average:	47,487.9 tonnes

Imports in corresponding years for which data are available:

1998:	5,525.2 tonnes
1999:	6,665.1 tonnes
2000:	8,489.8 tonnes

Average quantity of imports during the three preceding years for which data are available:

2001:	10,222.7 tonnes
Average (1999-2001):	8,459.2 tonnes

* consumption = (production + import) – export

Note: Since market access opportunities for the product in question are greater than 10 per cent but less than or equal to 30 per cent, the base trigger level equals 110 per cent (average import 98-00/average consumption 98-00 equals 14.5 per cent).

$$8,459.2 \text{ tonnes} \times 110\% + 561.9 \text{ tonnes} = 9,867 \text{ tonnes}$$
