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## NOTIFICATION

The following notification concerning domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and the relevant supporting tables) for the agricultural year **2000/2001** was received from the Permanent Mission of the **Argentine Republic** on 7 March 2003.

**DOMESTIC SUPPORT: ARGENTINA****REPORTING PERIOD: 2000-2001***Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support*

Total AMS commitment level for period in question	Currency	Current total AMS
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached supporting tables)
1	2	3
79,624,675	\$ January 1992	79,599,922

**DOMESTIC SUPPORT: ARGENTINA****REPORTING PERIOD: 2000-2001***Measures Exempt from the Reduction Commitment - "Green Box"*

Measure type		Name and description of the measure with reference to the criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of the measure in the year in question (\$ January 1992)	Data source
1		2	3	4
<b>General services</b>			<b>208,695,112</b>	
<i>Research</i> (Annex 2, paragraph 2(a))	Special Fund for Tobacco	Development of new technologies for production in Corrientes.	<b>68,370,941</b>	
	INTA	Budget implemented in personnel and operating costs.	0	INTA (SAGPyA)
<i>Pest and disease control</i> (Annex 2, paragraph 2(b))	National Agriculture and Food Quality Service	Central activities. Senior management – administrative, legal and technical services.	<b>114,534,678</b>	
		Plant protection.	14,695,028	SENASA
		Agriculture and food control. Approval of agro-chemicals and pharmacological products. Laboratory services.	1,370,710	
		Animal health	37,533,628	
	SAGPyA	Expanded sanitary controls	60,818,395	
	SAGPyA	Plant health in the province of La Rioja	9,223	PROSAP (SAGPyA)
	SAGPyA	Integrated management of carpocaspae and grapholite in fruit areas of the province of Mendoza	102,973	PROSAP (SAGPyA)
<i>Training services</i> (Annex 2, paragraph 2(c))	Special Fund for Tobacco	Training of technical specialists and producers.	<b>141,133</b>	
			141,133	DNPyEaYF (SAGPyA)
<i>Extension and advisory services</i> (Annex 2, paragraph 2(d))			<b>22,564,456</b>	
	Special Fund for Tobacco	Advice and technical assistance for producers for activities related to diversification, reconversion and training.	259,590	DNPyEaYF (SAGPyA)
	INTA	Budget implemented in extension services personnel.	22,304,866	INTA (SAGPyA)

1	2	3	4
<i>Inspection services</i>		<b>1,443,398</b>	
(Annex 2, paragraph 2(e))	Special Fund for Tobacco	Administration and monitoring in Catamarca, Chaco, Corrientes, Jujuy, Misiones, Salta and Tucumán.	DNPYEaYF (SAGPyA)
<i>Infrastructure services</i>		<b>1,640,506</b>	
(Annex 2, paragraph 2(g))	SAGPyA	Rehabilitation of irrigation and drainage systems in Constitución, Colonia, Centenario and Lower Mendoza River	PROSAP (SAGPyA)
	SAGPyA	Improvement of local roads in Santa Fe	PROSAP (SAGPyA)
	Special Fund for Tobacco	Elimination of latrines in Catamarca	DMPYEaYF (SAGPyA)
<b>Decoupled income support</b>		<b>11,539,078</b>	
(Annex 2, paragraph 6(a) to (e))	Agricultural Social Programme	The Social Programme benefits smallholders (minifundistas) in 21 provinces in the country through financial and technical assistance and training. Some of the eligibility requirements are: having a monthly income level not exceeding twice the rural agricultural worker's wage, not employing any labour, living on the farm, and having working capital not exceeding \$20,000. Smallholders who have formed a grouping may submit production projects for a maximum of \$1,200 per family and \$200 in the case of self-consumption projects. Together with the project, the Programme finances technical assistance provided by independent institutions or experts for a period of not more than three years. When receiving the funds, beneficiary families undertake to repay them to a provincial revolving fund, which is used to finance new projects.	SAGPyA
	Special Fund for Tobacco	Assistance to tobacco growing families to finance medical, health, biochemical and dentistry benefits. (This measure benefits over 110,000 people).	DNPYEaYF (SAGPyA)
<b>Government financial participation in income insurance and income safety net programmes</b>		<b>0</b>	
(Annex 2, paragraph 7(a) to (d))	Special Fund for Tobacco (A)	Assistance to cover damage caused by rainfall and hail in the provinces of Misiones and Jujuy.	0
<b>Natural disaster relief payments</b>		<b>1,665.246</b>	
(Annex 2, paragraph 8(a) to (e))	Agricultural Emergency Programme. Law No. 22913	Contributions to the producers who suffered damage from flooding, rainfall, hail and other phenomena in the provinces of La Pampa, Santiago del Estero and Corrientes.	SAGPyA
		Economic compensation to the wool industry for small producers of the Patagonian region in an emergency situation.	851,550

1	2	3	4
	Emergency Support Programme for Patagonian Agricultural Production. Resolution 613/96.	Support for provincial programmes to curb damage from animals harmful to livestock.	22,700 SAGPyA
<b>Structural adjustment assistance provided through investment aid</b>		<b>46,033,019</b>	
(Annex 2, paragraph 11(a) to (f))	Special Fund for Tobacco	Assistance for the financial or physical restructuring of production activities in response to objectively demonstrated structural disadvantages. The construction of centres, provision of supplementary equipment, production and storage; land improvement, assistance for the modernization of farms.	35,676,402 DNPYEyF (SAGPyA)
	Rural change	Technical and business management assistance	3,454,542 INTA (SAGPyA)
	Smallholdings (Minifundio)	Technical assistance for production, organization and training (benefiting 19,395 producers and assisting a population of 87,435 people).	(1) INTA (SAGPyA)
	Prohuerta	Assistance for 321,500 family vegetable gardens, and 7,150 community school vegetable gardens (assisting a population of over 2 million people).	6,902,075 Ministry of Social Development and the Environment
<b>Regional Assistance Programme</b>		<b>370,858</b>	
(Annex 2, paragraph 13(a) to (f))	Support programme for Patagonian agricultural production. Resolutions 613/96 and 783/96, amended by SAGPyA Resolutions 376/97, 716/97 and 925/97	Loans to producers having between 1,000 and 6,000 sheep (297 producers).	370,858 DDA (SAGPyA)
<b>Total</b>		<b>268,303,313</b>	

Notes:

SENASA: National Agriculture and Food Health and Quality Service. (Values repeated for the previous period).

SAPyA: Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Food.

DNPYEyF: National Directorate of Agricultural and Forestry Economics.

(1) In 2001, the activities of this programme were financed with resources from the Cambio Rural Programme.

**DOMESTIC SUPPORT: ARGENTINA****REPORTING PERIOD: 2000-2001***Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support*

Description of basic products (including non-product specific AMS)	Product-specific AMS (from supporting tables DS.5 to DS.7 below)	Product-specific measurements of support (from supporting table DS.8 below)	Current Total AMS (aggregate)
		(\$ January 1992)	(\$ January 1992)
1	2	3	4
Tobacco		79,599,992	79,599,922

**DOMESTIC SUPPORT: ARGENTINA****REPORTING PERIOD: 2000-2001***Product-Specific Equivalent Measurements of Support*

Description of basic products	Calendar/ marketing year beginning ...	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price  (\$ January 1992)	Production eligible to receive the applied administered price  (kg.)	Market price support budgetary outlays  (\$ January 1992)	Equivalent measurement of support (include calculation details)  (\$ January 1992)	Non- exempt direct payments	Other product- specific support	Associated fees/levies	Total monetary value of equivalent commitment  (\$ January 1992)	Data source
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 (7+8+9-10)	12
Tobacco	1 December 2000 to 30 November 2001	Payment per unit	0.811332	98,110,172	79,599,922	79,599,922	-	-	-	79,599,922	Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food/FET Yearbooks