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**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(B) OF THE AGREEMENT ON
SAFEGUARDS ON FINDING A SERIOUS INJURY OR THREAT
THEREOF CAUSED BY INCREASED IMPORTS**

**NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 12.1(C)
OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS**

**NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 9, FOOTNOTE 2
OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS**

CZECH REPUBLIC

Supplement

The following communication, dated 26 October 1999, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic.

Please find attached the unofficial translation of Government Regulation No. 212/1999 Coll., imposing a safeguard measure on imports of sugar. The Regulation supplements the previous notification by the Czech Republic under Article 12.1(c), upon taking a decision to apply a safeguard measure, issued on 21 September 1999 as document G/SG/N/8/CZE/1-G/SG/N/10/CZE/1-G/SG/N/11/CZE/1.

GOVERNMENT REGULATION
No. 212
of 15 September 1999
Imposing a Safeguard Measure on Sugar Imports

In accordance with § 3 Article 2 of Act No. 252/1997 Coll., on agriculture, the Government has adopted this regulation:

Article 1

An import duty is hereby imposed on cane sugar, beet sugar and saccharose, in solid state, falling within heading 1701 of the Customs Tariff.¹ The rate of duty applicable shall be the rate which is set in the Customs Tariff¹ for the relevant customs quota from Annex 1 to this Regulation.

Article 2

- (1) After the customs quota referred to in Article 1 has been exhausted, the rate of import duty applicable to products referred to in Article 1 shall be the relevant rate set in the Customs Tariff¹ and increased by 80.
- (2) If the rate of duty assessed pursuant to Article 1 is less than 14 CZK/kg, the rate of duty applicable shall be 14 CZK/kg.

Article 3

- (1) Throughout the effective period of this Regulation, rates of duty set out in the international agreement² shall not be applicable, under the terms laid down herein, to products originating in the Republic of Poland and referred to in Article 1 of this Regulation.
- (2) Products originating in the Republic of Poland shall be understood to mean products which comply with the conditions set out in the international agreement.²

Article 4

- (1) Provisions of Articles 1 and 2 shall not apply to products originating in the Slovak Republic.
- (2) Products originating in the Slovak Republic shall be understood to mean products which comply with the conditions set out in special regulations.³

Article 5

- (1) Provisions of Articles 1 and 2 shall not apply to products originating in a developing country which is a member of the World Trade Organization⁴ (hereinafter referred to as a „developing country“) provided that the share of that country in the imports of products referred to in Article 1 shall not exceed 3 per cent of total imports of those products.

- (2) Provisions of Section 1 above shall not apply if the combined imports of products referred to in Article 1 and originating in developing countries exceed 9 per cent of total imports of products referred to in Article 1.
- (3) Developing countries are listed in Annex 2 to this Regulation.
- (4) Products originating in developing countries shall be understood to mean products which comply with the terms set out in special regulations.⁵

Article 6

Government Regulation No. 49/1999 Coll. imposing a provisional safeguard measure on sugar imports is hereby repealed.

Article 7

- (1) This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication.
- (2) This Regulation shall cease to apply from 11 March 2003.

Prime Minister:
Mr Zeman in his own hand

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance:
Mr Mertlík in his own hand

Minister of Agriculture:
Mr Fencí in his own hand

¹ Government Regulation No. 303/1998 Coll. publishing the Customs Tariff and laying down import duty rates for products originating in developing countries and least developed countries and laying down the terms of application of these rates (the Customs Tariff).

² Communication of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 54/1995 Coll. on the negotiation of the Agreement on Central European Free Trade Area between the Czech Republic, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Poland and the Slovak Republic, as amended.

³ Articles 59 to 63 of Act No. 13/1993 Coll. (the Customs Act). Communication of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 28/1997 Coll. on the negotiation of an Agreement between the Governments of the Czech Republic and Slovak Republic amending provisions of Article 1 of the Agreement between the Governments of the Czech Republic and Slovak Republic on the origin of products and methods of administrative cooperation of 22 February 1993, as amended.

⁴ Communication of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 191/1995 Coll. on the negotiation of the Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization (WTO).

⁵ Articles 59 to 63 of Act No. 13/1993 Coll. Articles 3 to 6 of and Annex 4 to Regulation No. 69/1989 Coll. on the exemption from import duties of products imported from and originating in developing countries.

Annex 1 to the Government Regulation No. 212/1999 Coll.

Customs Quotas (according to Article 1)

Period	Products originating in:		
	The European Union ⁶	The Republic of Poland ⁷	Other countries
from the effective date to 31 December 1999	3,000 tonnes	1,250 tonnes	250 tonnes
from 1 January to 31 March 2000	3,300 tonnes	1,375 tonnes	275 tonnes
from 1 April to 30 June 2000	3,300 tonnes	1,375 tonnes	275 tonnes
from 1 July to 30 September 2000	3,300 tonnes	1,375 tonnes	275 tonnes
from 1 October to 31 December 2000	3,300 tonnes	1,375 tonnes	275 tonnes
from 1 January to 31 March 2001	3,600 tonnes	1,500 tonnes	300 tonnes
from 1 April to 30 June 2001	3,600 tonnes	1,500 tonnes	300 tonnes
from 1 July to 30 September 2001	3,600 tonnes	1,500 tonnes	300 tonnes
from 1 October to 31 December 2001	3,600 tonnes	1,500 tonnes	300 tonnes
from 1 January to 31 March 2002	3,900 tonnes	1,625 tonnes	325 tonnes
from 1 April to 30 June 2002	3,900 tonnes	1,625 tonnes	325 tonnes
from 1 July to 30 September 2002	3,900 tonnes	1,625 tonnes	325 tonnes
from 1 October to 31 December 2002	3,900 tonnes	1,625 tonnes	325 tonnes
from 1 January to 11 March 2003	4,200 tonnes	1,750 tonnes	350 tonnes

⁶ Articles 59 to 63 of Act No. 13/1993 Coll. Communication of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 7/1995 Coll. on the negotiation of the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Czech Republic, Protocol 4, as amended.

⁷ Articles 59 to 63 of Act No. 13/1993 Coll. Communication of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 54/1995 Coll. on the negotiation of the Agreement on Central European Free Trade Area between the Czech Republic, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Poland and the Slovak Republic, Protocol 7, as amended.

Annex 2 to Government Regulation No. 212/1999 Coll.

List of Developing Countries

AE	United Arab Emirates	KE	Kenya
AG	Antigua and Barbuda	KG	Kyrgyz
AO	Angola	KN	St. Christopher
AR	Argentina	KR	Korea, Republic of
BB	Barbados	KW	Kuwait
BD	Bangladesh	LC	St. Lucia
BF	Burkina Faso	LK	Sri Lanka
BH	Bahrain	LS	Lesotho
BI	Burundi	MA	Morocco
BJ	Benin	MG	Madagascar
BN	Brunei Darussalam	ML	Mali
BO	Bolivia	MM	Myanmar
BR	Brazil	MN	Mongolia
BW	Botswana	MR	Mauritania
BZ	Belize	MT	Malta
CD	Congo, Democratic Republic of	MU	Mauritius
CF	Central Africa, Republic of	MV	Maldives Islands
CG	Congo	MW	Malawi
CI	Ivory Coast	MX	Mexico
CL	Chile	MY	Malaysia
CM	Cameroon	MZ	Mozambique
CO	Columbia	NA	Namibia
CR	Costa Rica	NE	Niger
CU	Cuba	NG	Nigeria
CY	Cyprus	NI	Nicaragua
DJ	Djibouti	PA	Panama
DM	Dominica	PE	Peru
DO	Dominican Republic	PG	Papua New Guinea
EC	Ecuador	PH	Philippines
EG	Egypt	PK	Pakistan
FJ	Fiji	PY	Paraguay
GA	Gabon	QA	Qatar
GD	Grenada	RW	Rwanda
GH	Ghana	SB	Solomon Islands
GM	Gambia	SG	Singapore
GN	Guinea	SL	Sierra Leone
GT	Guatemala	SN	Senegal
GW	Guinea-Bissau	SR	Surinam
GY	Guyana	SV	Salvador
HN	Honduras	SZ	Swaziland
HT	Haiti	TD	Chad
ID	Indonesia	TG	Togo
IN	India	TH	Thailand
JM	Jamaica	TN	Tunisia

TT	Trinidad and Tobago	VE	Venezuela
TZ	Tanzania	ZA	South Africa
UG	Uganda	ZM	Zambia
UY	Uruguay	ZW	Zimbabwe
VC	St. Vincent and the Grenadines		
