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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Government of the Czech Republic, acting in conformity with the relevant provisions of Article XII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 and the Understanding on Balance of Payments Provisions of the GATT 1994, introduced, with effect from 21 April 1997, a temporary import deposit scheme.

2. The import deposit scheme is designed to address the most pressing problem of a serious deterioration of the balance of payments. Its purpose is to contribute to forestall an imminent threat of a serious decline in the foreign exchange reserves and to avoid significant pressures from the growing external imbalances.

3. The WTO Members were notified of the introduction of the deposit scheme in document WTO/BOP/N/19 dated 29 April 1997. In this document, the Czech authorities stated that the scheme is of a temporary nature and that it is an integral part of a broader set of macroeconomic measures adopted recently by the Government and aimed at the improvement of the current economic situation.

II. MACROECONOMIC AND BALANCE OF PAYMENT DEVELOPMENT

4. The economic development of the Czech Republic over the past years has been largely positive. It has been accompanied in particular by gradually accelerating economic growth together with lowering inflation, sound public finance and a stable external position. However, in the course of 1996, first negative macroeconomic tendencies appeared which proliferated further at the beginning of 1997.

5. The current account deficit widened sharply to 8.6 per cent of GDP in 1996. In the first half of 1996, the declining competitiveness of the Czech economy manifested itself in a gradual slowdown of exports and even their decline later in the year. The downturn trajectory of exports continued in the first quarter of 1997 while imports kept on growing.

6. Starting in the second half of 1996, industrial output followed the same pattern and in the first quarter of 1997 its growth turned into decline (4.2 per cent). Though wage growth has slowed down, it remained well above labour productivity growth and contributed to booming consumer demand. Budgetary incomes stagnated in nominal terms and decreased in real values. As a result, the state budget deficit increased substantially and amounted to almost CZK 12 billion at the end of April 1997.

a. Current Account

7. The whole transformation process has been marked by an unprecedented opening of the Czech economy and by its increased exposure to international competition through the substantial reduction of tariff rates and elimination of barriers to trade and investment. A high degree of liberalization of both capital and current account transactions brought about a full integration of the Czech Republic into world markets.

8. An open and liberal import policy has continued despite the progressive deterioration of the trade balance. The Government maintains the view that the trade deficit has a certain logic stemming from a particular stage of the transformation process and that this deficit is manageable if its medium and long-term financing is secured and if imported goods are utilized in particular in the restructuring and modernization of the economy.

9. The lead of domestic demand over supply appeared, for the first time, in the mid-1994 when a rapid upturn of the economy took place. Since then, increases in imports far outpaced growth in exports. While the 1994 trade deficit (CZK 26 billion) was comfortably covered by an active balance in invisibles, already in 1995 other current account entries were insufficient to compensate for the total trade bill and the current account registered a deficit of CZK 36 billion.

10. The balance of trade deteriorated substantially through 1996 when it rose by 70 per cent to CZK 162 billion (US\$6 billion), i.e. 11.5 per cent of GDP. As a direct consequence of trade performance, the current account deficit expanded dramatically to CZK 121.5 billion (US\$4.5 billion) or equivalent to 8.6 per cent of GDP.

11. In the first three months of 1997, the Czech Republic exports almost stagnated (an increase of 0.6 per cent compared to the same period of 1996) while imports continued to grow although at lower rates (8 per cent). Consequently, the country's trade deficit in the first quarter increased substantially to CZK 38.3 billion and was about CZK 11.2 billion larger (41 per cent) than in the same period of the preceding year. The current account deficit almost doubled and amounted to CZK 30.3 (US\$1.1 billion). In the first quarter of 1996, the current account ended in a deficit of CZK 14.7 billion ((US\$541 billion).

12. The adverse development of balance of the trade has been further fostered by changes in the commodity structure of imports. In previous years highest increases occurred in purchases of capital goods and products for intermediate consumption. At the end of 1996 and in the first quarter of 1997 the tendency for increasing imports of goods for private consumption has accelerated. In the first quarter of 1997, growth rates of imports for private consumption almost doubled compared to total imports (imports of foodstuffs were higher by 16 per cent and those of consumer goods by 14 per cent).

13. The deterioration in the current account deficit was due to a combination of internal and external factors. As regards internal factors, the most important was the increased domestic demand, generated both by public and private sectors, which was met through imports rather than by domestic supply. This tendency was linked to the weakening of competitiveness of Czech companies resulting in particular from the disproportion between labour productivity and unit labour costs development in manufacturing and agriculture and from real appreciation of the Czech koruna. As for external factors, the Czech export performance was affected by a slowdown of economic growth in major export markets and increased competition in these markets.

b. Capital Account

14. In 1996, the aggregate capital account surplus amounted to only one half of the level in the previous year, totalling CZK 110 billion US\$(4.1 billion), compared to CZK 218 billion (US\$8.2 billion) in 1995. Furthermore, the structure of capital flows registered significant changes. Debt creating sources increased, in particular as a result of more frequent transactions by foreign subjects with crown denominated instruments due to the high interest rate differential.

c. Foreign Exchange Reserves

15. The foreign exchange reserves of the Czech National Bank declined by CZK 22.5 billion in 1996 (exchange rate differences excluded), from CZK 362.4 billion at the end of 1995 to CZK 339.9 billion (US\$12.4 billion). In March 1997, foreign exchange reserves stood at US\$11.7 billion. The level of the foreign exchange reserves continued downward trajectory in terms of the corresponding months of imports coverage. In 1996, after their previous steady growth, the reserves of the Czech National Bank covered approximately 4.4 months' imports of goods and services, compared to 6.2 months in 1995.

16. The maintenance of the existing level of reserves is considered indispensable for a country seeking a fundamental transformation of its economy. It is also important in order to avoid speculative movement against the national currency which is open to the pressures of the global capital markets. A decline in foreign exchange reserves below the four-month import limit is seen by the Government as unacceptable.

17. The decline in official reserves and increase in foreign liabilities led, for the first time in the transformation process, to a deficit in the investment position of the Czech Republic.

d. Foreign Debt

18. The total gross foreign debt in convertible currencies expanded to CZK 557.9 billion (US\$20.4 billion; 39.4 per cent of GDP) at the end of 1996 (up by CZK 117.7 billion, US\$3.9 billion compared to 1995). Debt service of US\$3.3 billion reached 10.9 percent of annual exports of goods and services, equivalent to 6.2 per cent of GDP. In the first quarter 1997, the foreign debt increased by CZK 15.2 billion to CZK 573.1 billion.

III. POLICY OPTIONS

19. In reaction to the above mentioned disruptions of vital macroeconomic trends, the Government decided, on 16 April 1997, to embark on a set of corrective measures of systemic, macroeconomic as well as of temporary nature (the April package). The main objective of the short term measures consisted in improving the external position and reduction of the current account deficit through comprehensive policy effort designed to reduce domestic demand and promote foreign exchange earnings.

20. Since the simultaneously adopted measures require some time to produce positive effects, the Government decided to complement them by an administrative measure to avoid further deterioration of the balance of payments and to prevent, in conditions of volatility of the global capital flows, the risk of unsustainability of these processes.

21. The Government decided to introduce the import deposit scheme which, compared to other price-based measures (import surcharge, increased tariff rates) tend to minimize the devaluation expectations and inflationary impacts. This is of particular importance for a country in transformation.

22. Further prerequisites for improving the balance of payments development were created by the change in the Czech National Bank exchange rate policy put into effect on 26 May 1997. Based on the recent development characterized by the speculative attacks against the national currency, the Czech National Bank decided to cancel the 7 per cent fluctuation band and the currency basket and to introduce a floating exchange rate for the koruna.

23. With the aim to make a new exchange rate stable and in order to stabilize the economic situation, the April package has been further accentuated by a stabilization and recovery programme for the Czech economy worked out by the Government on 28 May 1997. This program which is based on further fiscal tightening and wage restraint includes (a) large scale spending cuts; (b) support for the central bank in its restrictive policy to combat inflation; (c) foreign exchange measures to bolster the stability of the currency; (d) restraint in increasing wages at companies and (e) a freeze on public-sector wages.

24. The short-term measures have their role to play in correction of macroeconomic policy and stabilizing the economy, in particular in months to come. However, they should be put in a broader perspective of medium and long-term objectives. The Government expects to revive the economy and eliminate the structural rigidities hampering the full potential of the Czech economy and thus to complete the transformation process through longer-term systemic and institutional measures in particular in the areas of privatization, increased transparency of capital markets and improved competitiveness and entrepreneurial conditions.

IV. ESSENTIAL FEATURES OF THE DEPOSIT SCHEME

25. The import deposit scheme was introduced by the Decree of the Ministry of Industry and Trade No. 90/1997 of the Collection of Laws of 21 April 1997, issued on the basis of the authorization given by the Act No. 42/1980 of the Collection of Laws, on Economic Relations with Foreign Countries as amended.

26. With effect from 2 May 1997, the conditions of application of the scheme have been modified in the Decree of the Ministry of Industry and Trade No. 102/1997 of the Collection of Laws of 28 April 1997. The modifications were brought about by the necessity to enlarge the list of banks collecting the deposits (the system is open to all banks having expressed their interest to participate in the scheme), avoid circumvention (exception relating to imports of goods with the value less than 5000 CZK was withdrawn) and to modify slightly the product coverage to meet the criteria for selecting products subject to the deposit requirement.

27. According to the deposit scheme, imports of most consumer goods and foodstuffs are subject to a six month non-interest bearing import deposit equivalent to 20 per cent of the invoiced price of the products to be imported. The lodging of the deposit is obligatory for releasing of goods in question into free circulation in the Czech Republic.

28. Taking the pattern of the Czech Republic imports in 1996 as a basis, the scheme affects products which, overall, account for approximately 30 per cent of total imports. These products comprise mainly agricultural products, foodstuffs and consumer goods.

29. The criteria adopted for selecting the items subject to the deposit reflect a combination of factors which led the Government to take the decision to introduce the import deposit measure.

30. The list of covered products was drafted not to grant protection to any particular domestic industry. Existing exemptions which consist in particular of the inputs needed for production and capital goods, are aimed to avoid the situation when the deposits are endangering the expansion of economic activity and contributing to the increase in the cost of production of products essential for the improvement of balance of payments situation.

31. The scheme is non-discriminatory, being applied to all countries, including those with which the Czech Republic has preferential trade agreements.

32. The Government of the Czech Republic believes that the deposit scheme is in conformity with the requirements set for such measures in Article XII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 and in the relevant provisions of the Understanding on Balance of Payments Provisions of GATT 1994. It is fully justifiable by the nature of the balance-of-payments problem and the necessity to make it manageable through adequate financing capacity.

APPENDIX I

HS/CN	Description of products
01	LIVE ANIMALS
0102	Live bovine animals
0102 90	- Other
0103	Live swine
	- Other
0103 91	- - Weighing less than 50 kg
0103 92	- - Weighing 50 kg or more
02	MEAT AND EDIBLE MEAT OFFAL
03	FISH AND CRUSTACEANS, MOLLUSCS AND OTHER AQUATIC INVERTEBRATES
0301	Live fish
	- Other live fish
0301 91	- - Trout
0301 93	- - Carp
0302	Fish, fresh or chilled, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading No 0304
	- Salmonidae, excluding livers and roes
0302 11	- - Trout
0302 69	- - Other
	- - - Freshwater fish
0302 69 11	- - - - Carp
0302 69 19	- - - - Other
0303	Fish, frozen, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading No 0304
	- Other salmonidae, excluding livers and roes
0303 21	- - Trout
0303 79	- - Other
	- - - Freshwater fish
0303 79 11	- - - - Carp
0303 79 19	- - - - Other
04	DAIRY PRODUCE; BIRDS' EGGS; NATURAL HONEY; EDIBLE PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDED
05	PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDED
06	LIVE TREES AND OTHER PLANTS; BULBS, ROOTS AND THE LIKE; CUT FLOWERS AND ORNAMENTAL FOLIAGE
0603	Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached, impregnated or otherwise prepared
0604	Foliage, branches and other parts of plants, without flowers or flower buds, and grasses, mosses and lichens, being goods of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached, impregnated or otherwise prepared
07	EDIBLE VEGETABLES AND CERTAIN ROOTS AND TUBERS
08	EDIBLE FRUIT AND NUTS; PEEL OF CITRUS FRUIT OR MELONS
0801	Coconuts, Brazil nuts and cashew nuts, fresh or dried, whether or not shelled or peeled
0802	Other nuts, fresh or dried, whether or not shelled or peeled
0804	Dates, figs, pineapples, avocados, guavas, mangoes and mangosteens, fresh or dried
0806	Grapes, fresh or dried
0807	Melons (including watermelons) and papaws (papayas), fresh
0808	Apples, pears and quinces, fresh
0809	Apricots, cherries, peaches (including nectarines), plums and sloes, fresh
0810	Other fruit, fresh
0811	Fruit and nuts, uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling in water, frozen, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter
0812	Fruit and nuts, provisionally preserved (for example, by sulphur dioxide gas, in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions), but unsuitable in that state for immediate consumption
0813	Fruit, dried, other than that of headings Nos. 0801 to 0806; mixtures of nuts or dried fruits of this Chapter
0814	Peel of citrus fruit or melons (including watermelons), fresh, frozen, dried or provisionally preserved in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions

HS/CN	Description of products
09	COFFEE, TEA, MATÉ AND SPICES
0909	Seeds of anise, badian, fennel, coriander, cumin or caraway; juniper berries
0909 20	- Seeds of coriander
0909 30	- Seeds of cumin
0909 40	- Seeds of caraway
11	PRODUCTS OF THE MILLING INDUSTRY; MALT; STARCHES; INULIN; WHEAT GLUTEN
12	OIL SEEDS AND OLEAGINOUS FRUITS; MISCELLANEOUS GRAINS, SEEDS AND FRUIT; INDUSTRIAL OR MEDICINAL PLANTS; STRAW AND FODDER
1201	Soya beans, whether or not broken
1202	Ground-nuts, not roasted or otherwise cooked, whether or not shelled or broken
1203	Copra
1204	Linseed, whether or not broken
1205	Rape or colza seeds, whether or not broken
1206	Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken
1207	Other oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, whether or not broken
1208	Flours and meals of oil seeds or oleaginous fruits, other than those of mustard
1210	Hop cones, fresh or dried, whether or not ground, powdered or in the form of pellets; lupulin
1211	Plants and parts of plants (including seeds and fruits), of a kind used primarily in perfumery, in pharmacy or for insecticidal, fungicidal or similar purposes, fresh or dried, whether or not cut, crushed or powdered
1212	Locust beans, seaweeds and other algae, sugar beet and sugar cane, fresh or dried, whether or not ground; fruit stones and kernels and other vegetable products (including unroasted chicory roots of the variety <i>Cichorium intybus sativum</i>) of a kind used primarily for human consumption, not elsewhere specified or included
1213	Cereal straw and husks, unprepared, whether or not chopped, ground, pressed or in the form of pellets
1214	Swedes, mangolds, fodder roots, hay, lucerne (alfalfa), clover, sainfoin, forage kale, lupines, vetches and similar forage products, whether or not in the form of pellets
13	LAC; GUMS, RESINS AND OTHER VEGETABLE SAPS AND EXTRACTS
14	VEGETABLE PLAITING MATERIALS; VEGETABLE PRODUCTS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDED
15	ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR CLEAVAGE PRODUCTS; PREPARED EDIBLE FATS; ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE WAXES
16	PREPARATIONS OF MEAT, OF FISH OR OF CRUSTACEANS, MOLLUSCS OR OTHER AQUATIC INVERTEBRATES
17	SUGARS AND SUGAR CONFECTIONERY
18	COCOA AND COCOA PREPARATIONS
1802	Cocoa shells, husks, skins and other cocoa waste
1806	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa
19	PREPARATIONS OF CEREALS, FLOUR, STARCH OR MILK; PASTRYCOOKS' PRODUCTS
20	PREPARATIONS OF VEGETABLES, FRUIT, NUTS OR OTHER PARTS OF PLANTS
21	MISCELLANEOUS EDIBLE PREPARATIONS
22	BEVERAGES, SPIRITS AND VINEGAR.
23	RESIDUES AND WASTE FROM THE FOOD INDUSTRIES; PREPARED ANIMAL FODDER
2302	Bran, sharps and other residues, whether or not in the form of pellets derived from the sifting, milling or other working of cereals or of leguminous plants
2303	Residues of starch manufacture and similar residues, beet-pulp, bagasse and other waste of sugar manufacture, brewing or distilling dregs and waste, whether or not in the form of pellets
2305	Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of ground-nut oil
2306	Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of vegetable fats or oils, other than those of heading No 2304 or 2305
2307	Wine lees; argol
2308	Vegetable materials and vegetable waste, vegetable residues and by-products, whether or not in the form of pellets, of a kind used in animal feeding, not elsewhere specified or included
2309	Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding
24	TOBACCO AND MANUFACTURED TOBACCO SUBSTITUTES
2402	Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes, of tobacco or of tobacco substitutes

HS/CN	Description of products
2403	Other manufactured tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes; "homogenized" or "reconstituted" tobacco; tobacco extracts and essences
27	MINERAL FUELS, MINERAL OILS AND PRODUCTS OF THEIR DISTILLATION; BITUMINOUS SUBSTANCES; MINERAL WAXES.
2710	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, other than crude; preparations not elsewhere specified or included, containing by weight 70% or more of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals, these oils being the basic constituents of the preparations
	- Heavy oils
	- - Gas oils
2710 00 61	- - - For undergoing a specific process
2710 00 65	- - - For undergoing chemical transformation by a process other than those specified in respect of subheading 2710 00 61
	- - - For other purposes
2710 00 66	- - - - With a sulphur content not exceeding 0,05% by weight
2710 00 67	- - - - With a sulphur content exceeding 0,05% by weight but not exceeding 0,2% by weight
2710 00 68	- - - - With a sulphur content exceeding 0,2% by weight
	- - Fuel oils
2710 00 71	- - - For undergoing a specific processes
2710 00 72	- - - For undergoing chemical transformation by a process other than those specified in respect of subheading 2710 00 71
	- - - For other purposes
2710 00 74	- - - - With a sulphur content not exceeding 1% by weight
2710 00 76	- - - - With a sulphur content exceeding 1% by weight but not exceeding 2% by weight
2710 00 77	- - - - With a sulphur content exceeding 2% by weight but not exceeding 2,8% by weight
2710 00 78	- - - - With a sulphur content exceeding 2,8% by weight
	- - Lubricating oils; other oils
2710 00 81	- - - For undergoing a specific process
2710 00 83	- - - For undergoing chemical transformation by a process other than those specified in respect of subheading 2710 00 81
2710 00 85	- - - To be mixed in accordance with the terms of additional note 6 to this chapter
	- - - For other purposes
2710 00 87	- - - - Motor oils, compressor lube oils, turbine lube oils
2710 00 88	- - - - Liquids for hydraulic purposes
2710 00 89	- - - - White oils, liquid paraffin
2710 00 92	- - - - Gear oils and reductor oils
2710 00 94	- - - - Metal-working compounds, mould release oils, anticorrosion oils
2710 00 96	- - - - Electrical insulating oils
2710 00 98	- - - - Other lubricating oils and other oils
31	FERTILISERS
3102	Mineral or chemical fertilisers, nitrogenous
3102 10	- Urea, whether or not in aqueous solution
3102 10 90	- - Other
	- Ammonium sulphate; double salts and mixtures of ammonium sulphate and ammonium nitrate
3102 21	- - Ammonium sulphate
3102 29	- - Other
3102 30	- Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution
3102 40	- Mixtures of ammonium nitrate with calcium carbonate or other inorganic non-fertilising substances
3102 50	- Sodium nitrate
3102 60	- Double salts and mixtures of calcium nitrate and ammonium nitrate
3102 70	- Calcium cyanamide
3102 90	- Other, including mixtures not specified in the foregoing subheadings
32	TANNING OR DYING EXTRACTS; TANNINS AND THEIR DERIVATIVES; DYES, PIGMENTS AND OTHER COLOURING MATTER; PAINTS AND VARNISHES; PUTTY AND OTHER MASTICS; INKS
3213	Artists', students' or signboard painters' colours, modifying tints, amusement colours and the like, in tablets, tubes, jars, bottles, pans or in similar forms or packings
3214	Glaziers' putty, grafting putty, resin cements, caulking compounds and other mastics; painters' fillings; non-refractory surfacing preparations for façades, indoor walls, floors, ceilings or the like

HS/CN	Description of products
3214 90	- Other
33	ESSENTIAL OILS AND RESINOIDS; PERFUMERY, COSMETIC OR TOILET PREPARATIONS
3303	Perfumes and toilet waters
3304	Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations; manicure or pedicure preparations
3305	Preparations for use on the hair
3306	Preparations for oral or dental hygiene, including denture fixative pastes and powders; yarn used to clean between the teeth (dental floss), in individual retail packages
3307	Pre-shave, shaving or after-shave preparations, personal deodorants, bath preparations, depilatories and other perfumery, cosmetic or toilet preparations, not elsewhere specified or included; prepared room deodorizers, whether or not perfumed or having disinfectant properties
34	SOAP, ORGANIC SURFACE-ACTIVE AGENTS, WASHING PREPARATIONS, LUBRICATING PREPARATIONS, ARTIFICIAL WAXES, PREPARED WAXES, POLISHING OR SCOURING PREPARATIONS, CANDLES AND SIMILAR ARTICLES, MODELLING PASTES, "DENTAL WAXES" AND DENTAL PREPARATIONS WITH A BASIS OF PLASTER
3401	Soap; organic surface-active products and preparations for use as soap, in the form of bars, cakes, moulded pieces or shapes, whether or not containing soap; paper, wadding, felt and nonwovens, impregnated, coated or covered with soap or detergent - Soap and organic surface-active products and preparations, in the form of bars, cakes, moulded pieces or shapes, and paper, wadding, felt and nonwovens, impregnated, coated or covered with soap or detergent
3401 11	- - For toilet use (including medicated products)
3402	Organic surface-active agents (other than soap); surface-active preparations, washing preparations (including auxiliary washing preparations) and cleaning preparations, whether or not containing soap, other than those of heading No 3401
3403	Lubricating preparations (including cutting-oil preparations, bolt or nut release preparations, anti-rust or anti-corrosion preparations and mould release preparations, based on lubricants) and preparations of a kind used for the oil or grease treatment of textile materials, leather, furskins or other materials, but excluding preparations containing, as basic constituents, 70% or more by weight of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals
3405	Polishes and creams, for footwear, furniture, floors, coachwork, glass or metal, scouring pastes and powders and similar preparations (whether or not in the form of paper, wadding, felt, nonwovens, cellular plastics or cellular rubber, impregnated, coated or covered with such preparations), excluding waxes of heading No 3404
3406	Candles, tapers and the like
35	ALBUMINOIDAL SUBSTANCES; MODIFIED STARCHES; GLUES; ENZYMES
3505	Dextrins and other modified starches (for example, pregelatinised or esterified starches); glues based on starches, or on dextrins or other modified starches
3505 10	- Dextrins and other modified starches
36	EXPLOSIVES; PYROTECHNIC PRODUCTS; MATCHES; PYROPHORIC ALLOYS; CERTAIN COMBUSTIBLE PREPARATIONS
37	PHOTOGRAPHIC OR CINEMATOGRAPHIC GOODS.
3701	Photographic plates and film in the flat, sensitised, unexposed, of any material other than paper, paperboard or textiles; instant print film in the flat, sensitised, unexposed, whether or not in packs
3701 20	- Instant print film
3701 30	- Other plates and film, with any side exceeding 255 mm
3701 91	- - For colour photography (polychrome)
3702	Photographic film in rolls, sensitised, unexposed, of any material other than paper, paperboard or textiles; instant print film in rolls, sensitised, unexposed
3702 20	- Instant print film - Other film, without perforations, of a width not exceeding 105 mm
3702 31	- - For colour photography (polychrome)
3702 32	- - Other, with silver halide emulsion - - - Of a width not exceeding 35 mm
3702 32 19	- - - - Other - - - - Of a width exceeding 35 mm
3702 32 51	- - - - Film for the graphic arts
3702 32 90	- - - - Other

HS/CN	Description of products
3702 39	- - Other
	- Other film, for colour photography (polychrome)
3702 51	- - Of a width not exceeding 16 mm and of a length not exceeding 14 m
3702 53	- - Of a width exceeding 16 mm but not exceeding 35 mm and of a length not exceeding 30 m, for slides
3702 54	- - Of a width exceeding 16 mm but not exceeding 35 mm and of a length not exceeding 30 m, other than for slides
	- Other
3702 91	- - Of a width not exceeding 16 mm and of a length not exceeding 14 m
3702 93	- - Of a width exceeding 16 mm but not exceeding 35 mm and of a length not exceeding 30 m
3703	Photographic paper, paperboard and textiles, sensitised, unexposed
3706	Cinematographic film, exposed and developed, whether or not incorporating sound track or consisting only of sound track
3706 90	- Other
3707	Chemical preparations for photographic uses (other than varnishes, glues, adhesives and similar preparations); unmixed products for photographic uses, put up in measured portions or put up for retail sale in a form ready for use
38	MISCELLANEOUS CHEMICAL PRODUCTS
3809	Finishing agents, dye carriers to accelerate the dyeing or fixing of dyestuffs and other products and preparations (for example, dressings and mordants), of a kind used in the textile, paper, leather or like industries, not elsewhere specified or included
3809 10	- With a basis of amylaceous substances
39	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF
3917	Tubes, pipes and hoses, and fittings therefor (for example, joints, elbows, flanges), of plastics
3917 10	- Artificial guts (sausage casings) of hardened protein or of cellulosic materials
	- Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid
3917 21	- - Of polymers of ethylene
3917 22	- - Of polymers of propylene
3917 23	- - Of polymers of vinyl chloride
3917 29	- - Of other plastics
	- Other tubes, pipes and hoses
3917 31	- - Flexible tubes, pipes and hoses, having a minimum burst pressure of 27,6 MPa
3917 32	- - Other, not reinforced or otherwise combined with other materials, without fittings
3917 33	- - Other, not reinforced or otherwise combined with other materials, with fittings
3917 39	- - Other
3918	Floor coverings of plastics, whether or not selfadhesive, in rolls or in the form of tiles; wall or ceiling coverings of plastics, as defined in Note 9 to this Chapter
3919	Self-adhesive plates, sheets, film, foil, tape, strip and other flat shapes, of plastics, whether or not in rolls
3922	Baths, shower-baths, wash-basins, bidets, lavatory pans, seats and covers, flushing cisterns and similar sanitary ware, of plastics
3923	Articles for the conveyance or packing of goods, of plastics; stoppers, lids, caps and other closures, of plastics
3923 10	- Boxes, cases, crates and similar articles
	- Sacks and bags (including cones)
3923 21	- - Of polymers of ethylene
3923 29	- - Of other plastics
3923 29 10	- - - Of polyvinyl chloride
3923 30	- Carboys, bottles, flasks and similar articles
3923 40	- Spools, cops, bobbins and similar supports
3923 50	- Stoppers, lids, caps and other closures
3923 90	- Other
3924	Tableware, kitchenware, other household articles and toilet articles, of plastics
3926	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading Nos 3901 to 3914
40	RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF
4011	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber
4011 10	- Of a kind used on motor cars (including station wagons and racing cars)
4011 20	- Of a kind used on buses or lorries

HS/CN	Description of products
4011 40	- Of a kind used on motorcycles
4011 50	- Of a kind used on bicycles
4012	Retreaded or used pneumatic tyres of rubber; solid or cushion tyres, interchangeable tyre treads and tyre flaps, of rubber
4013	Inner tubes, of rubber
4013 10	- Of a kind used on motor cars (including station wagons and racing cars), buses or lorries
4013 90	- Other
4016	Other articles of vulcanised rubber other than hard rubber
42	ARTICLES OF LEATHER; SADDLERY AND HARNESS; TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR CONTAINERS; ARTICLES OF ANIMAL GUT (OTHER THAN SILK-WORM GUT).
4201	Saddlery and harness for any animal (including traces, leads, knee pads, muzzles, saddle cloths, saddle bags, dog coats and the like), of any material
4202	Trunks, suit-cases, vanity-cases, executive-cases, brief-cases, school satchels, spectacle cases, binocular cases, camera cases, musical instrument cases, gun cases, holsters and similar containers; travelling-bags, toilet bags, rucksacks, handbags, shopping-bags, wallets, purses, map-cases, cigarette-cases, tobacco-pouches, tool bags, sports bags, bottle-cases, jewellery boxes, powder-boxes, cutlery cases and similar containers, of leather or of composition leather, of sheeting of plastics, of textile materials, of vulcanised fibre or of paperboard, or wholly or mainly covered with such materials or with paper
4203	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, of leather or of composition leather
4205	Other articles of leather or of composition leather
4206	Articles of gut (other than silk-worm gut), of goldbeater's skin, of bladders or of tendons
43	FURSKINS AND ARTIFICIAL FUR; MANUFACTURES THEREOF
4303	Articles of apparel, clothing accessories and other articles of furskin
4304	Artificial fur and articles thereof
44	WOOD AND ARTICLES OF WOOD; WOOD CHARCOAL
4401	Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms; wood in chips or particles; sawdust and wood waste and scrap, whether or not agglomerated in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms
4402	Wood charcoal (including shell or nut charcoal), whether or not agglomerated
4414	Wooden frames for paintings, photographs, mirrors or similar objects
4415	Packing cases, boxes, crates, drums and similar packings, of wood; cable-drums of wood; pallets, box pallets and other load boards, of wood; pallet collars of wood
4416	Casks, barrels, vats, tubs and other coopers' products and parts thereof, of wood, including staves
4417	Tools, tool bodies, tool handles, broom or brush bodies and handles, of wood; boot or shoe lasts and trees, of wood
4419	Tableware and kitchenware, of wood
4420	Wood marquetry and inlaid wood; caskets and cases for jewellery or cutlery, and similar articles, of wood; statuettes and other ornaments, of wood; wooden articles of furniture not falling in Chapter 94
4421	Other articles of wood
4421 10	- Clothes hangers
4421 90	- Other
4421 90 30	- - Blind rollers, whether or not fitted with springs
4421 90 50	- - Match splints; wooden pegs or pins for footwear
4421 90 70	- - Handles for tables-knives, forks or spoons
	- - Other
4421 90 91	- - - Of fibreboard
4421 90 99	- - - Other
45	CORK AND ARTICLES OF CORK
4503	Articles of natural cork
4504	Agglomerated cork (with or without a binding substance) and articles of agglomerated cork
4504 10	- Blocks, plates, sheets and strip; tiles of any shape; solid cylinders, including discs
46	MANUFACTURES OF STRAW, OF ESPARTO OR OF OTHER PLAITING MATERIALS; BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK
48	PAPER AND PAPERBOARD; ARTICLES OF PAPER PULP, OF PAPER OR OF PAPERBOARD
4813	Cigarette paper, whether or not cut to size or in the form of booklets or tubes
4814	Wallpaper and similar wall coverings; window transparencies of paper
4815	Floor coverings on a base of paper or of paperboard, whether or not cut to size

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4817	Envelopes, letter cards, plain postcards and correspondence cards, of paper or paperboard; boxes, pouches, wallets and writing compendiums, of paper or paperboard, containing an assortment of paper stationery
4818	Toilet paper and similar paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres, of a kind used for household or sanitary purposes, in rolls of a width not exceeding 36 cm, or cut to size or shape; handkerchiefs, cleansing tissues, towels, tablecloths, serviettes, napkins for babies, tampons, bed sheets and similar household, sanitary or hospital articles, articles of apparel and clothing accessories, of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres
4818 20	- Handkerchiefs, cleansing or facial tissues and towels
4818 30	- Tablecloths and serviettes
4818 50	- Articles of apparel and clothing accessories
4818 90	- Other
4818 90 90	- - Other
4819	Cartons, boxes, cases, bags and other packing containers, of paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres; box files, letter trays, and similar articles, of paper or paperboard of a kind used in offices, shops or the like
4819 10	- Cartons, boxes and cases, of corrugated paper or paperboard
4819 20	- Folding cartons, boxes and cases, of non-corrugated paper or paperboard
4819 30	- Sacks and bags, having a base of a width of 40 cm or more
4819 50	- Other packing containers, including record sleeves
4819 60	- Box files, letter trays, storage boxes and similar articles, of a kind used in offices, shops or the like
4820	Registers, account books, note books, order books, receipt books, letter pads, memorandum pads, diaries and similar articles, exercise-books, blotting-pads, binders (loose-leaf or other), folders, file covers, manifold business forms, interleaved carbon sets and other articles of stationery, of paper or paperboard; albums for samples or for collections and book covers, of paper or paperboard
4820 10	- Registers, account books, note books, order books, receipt books, letter pads, memorandum pads, diaries and similar articles
4820 30	- Binders (other than book covers), folders and file covers
4820 40	- Manifold business forms and interleaved carbon sets
4820 50	- Albums for samples or for collections
4820 90	- Other
4821	Paper or paperboard labels of all kinds, whether or not printed
4823	Other paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding and webs of cellulose fibres, cut to size or shape; other articles of paper pulp, paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres
4823 60	- Trays, dishes, plates, cups and the like, of paper or paperboard
49	PRINTED BOOKS, NEWSPAPERS, PICTURES AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF THE PRINTING INDUSTRY; MANUSCRIPTS, TYPESCRIPTS AND PLANS
4908	Transfers (decalcomanias)
4909	Printed or illustrated postcards; printed cards bearing personal greetings, messages or announcements, whether or not illustrated, with or without envelopes or trimmings
4910	Calendars of any kind, printed, including calendar blocks
4911	Other printed matter, including printed pictures and photographs
57	CARPETS AND OTHER TEXTILE FLOOR COVERINGS
58	SPECIAL WOVEN FABRICS; TUFTED TEXTILE FABRICS; LACE; TAPESTRIES; TRIMMINGS; EMBROIDERY
5802	Terry towelling and similar woven terry fabrics, other than narrow fabrics of heading No 5806; tufted textile fabrics, other than products of heading No 5703
5803	Gauze, other than narrow fabrics of heading No 5806
5805	Hand-woven tapestries of the type Gobelins, Flanders, Aubusson, Beauvais and the like, and needle-worked tapestries (for example, petit point, cross stitch), whether or not made up
5806	Narrow woven fabrics, other than goods of heading No 5807; narrow fabrics consisting of warp without weft assembled by means of an adhesive (bolducs)
5807	Labels, badges and similar articles of textile materials, in the piece, in strips or cut to shape or size, not embroidered
5808	Braids in the piece; ornamental trimmings in the piece, without embroidery, other than knitted or crocheted; tassels, pompons and similar articles
5809	Woven fabrics of metal thread and woven fabrics of metallised yarn of heading No 5605, of a kind used in apparel, as furnishing fabrics or for similar purposes, not elsewhere specified or included

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5811	Quilted textile products in the piece, composed of one or more layers of textile materials assembled with padding by stitching or otherwise, other than embroidery of heading No 5810
59	IMPREGNATED, COATED, COVERED OR LAMINATED TEXTILE FABRICS; TEXTILE ARTICLES OF A KIND SUITABLE FOR INDUSTRIAL USE
5904	Linoleum, whether or not cut to shape; floor coverings consisting of a coating or covering applied on a textile backing, whether or not cut to shape
5905	Textile wall coverings
5906	Rubberised textile fabrics, other than those of heading No 5902
61	ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES, KNITTED OR CROCHETED
6101	Men's or boys' overcoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, knitted or crocheted, other than those of heading No 6103
6102	Women's or girls' overcoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, knitted or crocheted, other than those of heading No 6104
6103	Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear), knitted or crocheted
6104	Women's or girls' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided skirts, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear), knitted or crocheted
6105	Men's or boys' shirts, knitted or crocheted
6106	Women's or girls' blouses, shirts and shirt-blouses, knitted or crocheted
6107	Men's or boys' underpants, briefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles, knitted or crocheted
6108	Women's or girls' slips, petticoats, briefs, panties, nightdresses, pyjamas, négligés, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles, knitted or crocheted
6109	T-shirts, singlets and other vests, knitted or crocheted
6110	Jerseys, pullovers, cardigans, waistcoats and similar articles, knitted or crocheted
6112	Track suits, ski suits and swimwear, knitted or crocheted
6113	Garments, made up of knitted or crocheted fabrics of heading No 5903, 5906, or 5907
6114	Other garments, knitted or crocheted
6115	Panty hose, tights, stockings, socks and other hosiery, including stockings for varicose veins and footwear without applied soles, knitted or crocheted
	- Panty hose and tights
6115 11	- - Of synthetic fibres, measuring per single yarn less than 67 decitex
6115 12	- - Of synthetic fibres, measuring per single yarn 67 decitex or more
6115 19	- - Of other textile materials
6115 20	- Women's full-length or knee-length hosiery, measuring per single yarn less than 67 decitex
	- Other
6115 91	- - Of wool or fine animal hair
6115 92	- - Of cotton
6115 93	- - Of synthetic fibres
6115 93 30	- - - Knee-length stockings (other than stockings for varicose veins)
	- - - Other
6115 93 91	- - - - Women's stockings
6115 93 99	- - - - Other
6115 99	- - Of other textile materials
6116	Gloves, mittens and mitts, knitted or crocheted
6117	Other made up clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted; knitted or crocheted parts of garments or of clothing accessories
62	ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES, NOT KNITTED OR CROCHETED
6201	Men's or boys' overcoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, other than those of heading No. 6203
6202	Women's or girls' overcoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, other than those of heading No. 6204
6203	Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear)
6204	Women's or girls' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided skirts, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear)
6205	Men's or boys' shirts
6206	Women's or girls' blouses, shirts and shirt-blouses

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6207	Men's or boys' singlets and other vests, underpants, briefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles
6208	Women's or girls' singlets and other vests, slips, petticoats, briefs, panties, nightdresses, pyjamas, negligés, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles
6210	Garments, made up of fabrics of heading No 5602, 5603, 5903, 5906 or 5907
6211	Track suits, ski suits and swimwear; other garments
6212	Brassières, girdles, corsets, braces, suspenders, garters and similar articles and parts thereof, whether or not knitted or crocheted
6213	Handkerchiefs
6214	Shawls, scarves, mufflers, mantillas, veils and the like
6215	Ties, bow ties and cravats
6216	Gloves, mittens and mitts (T087000)
6217	Other made up clothing accessories; parts of garments or of clothing accessories, other than those of heading No. 6212
63	OTHER MADE UP TEXTILE ARTICLES; SETS; WORN CLOTHING AND WORN TEXTILE ARTICLES; RAGS
64	FOOTWEAR, GAITERS AND THE LIKE; PARTS OF SUCH ARTICLES
6401	Waterproof footwear with outer soles and uppers of rubber or of plastics, the uppers of which are neither fixed to the sole nor assembled by stitching, riveting, nailing, screwing, plugging or similar processes
6402	Other footwear with outer soles and uppers of rubber or plastics
6403	Footwear with outer soles of rubber, plastics, leather or composition leather and uppers of leather
6404	Footwear with outer soles of rubber, plastics, leather or composition leather and uppers of textile materials
6405	Other footwear
65	HEADGEAR AND PARTS THEREOF
6503	Felt hats and other felt headgear, made from the hat bodies, hoods or plateaux of heading No 6501, whether or not lined or trimmed
6504	Hats and other headgear, plaited or made by assembling strips of any material, whether or not lined or trimmed
6505	Hats and other headgear, knitted or crocheted, or made up from lace, felt or other textile fabric, in the piece (but not in strips), whether or not lined or trimmed; hair-nets of any material, whether or not lined or trimmed
6506	Other headgear, whether or not lined or trimmed
66	UMBRELLAS, SUN UMBRELLAS, WALKING-STICKS, SEAT-STICKS, WHIPS, RIDING-CROPS AND PARTS THEREOF
6601	Umbrellas and sun umbrellas (including walking-stick umbrellas, garden umbrellas and similar umbrellas)
6602	Walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and the like
67	PREPARED FEATHERS AND DOWN AND ARTICLES MADE OF FEATHERS OR OF DOWN; ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS; ARTICLES OF HUMAN HAIR
68	ARTICLES OF STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, MICA OR SIMILAR MATERIALS
6801	Setts, curbstones and flagstones, of natural stone (except slate)
6803	Worked slate and articles of slate or of agglomerated slate
6804	Millstones, grindstones, grinding wheels and the like, without frameworks, for grinding, sharpening, polishing, trueing or cutting, hand sharpening or polishing stones, and parts thereof, of natural stone, of agglomerated natural or artificial abrasives, or of ceramics, with or without parts of other materials
6805	Natural or artificial abrasive powder or grain, on a base of textile material, of paper, of paperboard or of other materials, whether or not cut to shape or sewn or otherwise made up
6810	Articles of cement, of concrete or of artificial stone, whether or not reinforced
69	CERAMIC PRODUCTS
6907	Unglazed ceramic flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles; unglazed ceramic mosaic cubes and the like, whether or not on a backing
6908	Glazed ceramic flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles; glazed ceramic mosaic cubes and the like, whether or not on a backing
6910	Ceramic sinks, wash basins, wash basin pedestals, baths, bidets, water closet pans, flushing cisterns, urinals and similar sanitary fixtures
6911	Tableware, kitchenware, other household articles and toilet articles, of porcelain or china

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6912	Ceramic tableware, kitchenware, other household articles and toilet articles, other than of porcelain or china
6913	Statuettes and other ornamental ceramic articles
6914	Other ceramic articles
70	GLASS AND GLASSWARE
7009	Glass mirrors, whether or not framed, including rear-view mirrors
7010	Carboys, bottles, flasks, jars, pots, phials, ampoules and other containers, of glass, of a kind used for the conveyance or packing of goods; preserving jars of glass; stoppers, lids and other closures, of glass
7010 20	- Stoppers, lids and other closures
	- Other, of a capacity
7010 91	- - Exceeding 1 l
7010 92	- - Exceeding 0,33 l but not exceeding 1 l
7010 93	- - Exceeding 0,15 l but not exceeding 0,33 l
7010 94	- - Not exceeding 0,15 l
7013	Glassware of a kind used for table, kitchen, toilet, office, indoor decoration or similar purposes (other than that of heading No 7010 or 7018)
7018	Glass beads, imitation pearls, imitation precious or semi-precious stones and similar glass smallwares, and articles thereof other than imitation jewellery; glass eyes other than prosthetic articles; statuettes and other ornaments of lamp-worked glass, other than imitation jewellery; glass microspheres not exceeding 1 mm in diameter
7018 10	- Glass beads, imitation pearls, imitation precious or semi-precious stones and similar glass smallwares
71	NATURAL OR CULTURED PEARLS, PRECIOUS OR SEMI-PRECIOUS STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, METALS CLAD WITH PRECIOUS METAL, AND ARTICLES THEREOF; IMITATION JEWELLERY; COIN
7113	Articles of jewellery and parts thereof, of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal
7114	Articles of goldsmiths' or silversmiths' wares and parts thereof, of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal
7116	Articles of natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones (natural, synthetic or reconstructed)
7117	Imitation jewellery
7118	Coin
73	ARTICLES OF IRON OR STEEL
7315	Chain and parts thereof, of iron or steel
7315 20	- Skid chain
7317	Nails, tacks, drawing pins, corrugated nails, staples (other than those of heading No 8305) and similar articles, of iron or steel, whether or not with heads of other material, but excluding such articles with heads of copper
7318	Screws, bolts, nuts, coach screws, screw hooks, rivets, cotters, cotter-pins, washers (including spring washers) and similar articles, of iron or steel
7319	Sewing needles, knitting needles, bodkins, crochet hooks, embroidery stilettes and similar articles, for use in the hand, of iron or steel; safety pins and other pins of iron or steel, not elsewhere specified or included
7320	Springs and leaves for springs, of iron or steel
7321	Stoves, ranges, grates, cookers (including those with subsidiary boilers for central heating), barbecues, braziers, gas-rings, plate warmers and similar non-electric domestic appliances, and parts thereof, of iron or steel
7322	Radiators for central heating, not electrically heated, and parts thereof, of iron or steel; air heaters and hot air distributors (including distributors which can also distribute fresh or conditioned air), not electrically heated, incorporating a motor-driven fan or blower, and parts thereof, of iron or steel
	- Radiators and parts thereof
7322 11	- - Of cast iron
7322 19	- - Other
7323	Table, kitchen or other household articles and parts thereof, of iron or steel; iron or steel wool; pot scourers and scouring or polishing pads, gloves and the like, of iron or steel
7324	Sanitary ware and parts thereof, of iron or steel
74	COPPER AND ARTICLES THEREOF

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7415	Nails, tacks, drawing pins, staples (other than those of heading No 8305) and similar articles, of copper or of iron or steel with heads of copper; screws, bolts, nuts, screw hooks, rivets, cotters, cotter-pins, washers (including spring washers) and similar articles, of copper
7417	Cooking or heating apparatus of a kind used for domestic purposes, non-electric, and parts thereof, of copper
7418	Table, kitchen or other household articles and parts thereof, of copper; pot scourers and scouring or polishing pads, gloves and the like, of copper; sanitary ware and parts thereof, of copper
76	ALUMINIUM AND ARTICLES THEREOF
7615	Table, kitchen or other household articles and parts thereof, of aluminium; pot scourers and scouring or polishing pads, gloves and the like, of aluminium; sanitary ware and parts thereof, of
82	TOOLS, IMPLEMENTS, CUTLERY, SPOONS AND FORKS, OF BASE METAL; PARTS THEREOF OF BASE METAL
8201	Hand tools, the following spades, shovels, mattocks, picks, hoes, forks and rakes; axes, bill hooks and similar hewing tools; secateurs and pruners of any kind; scythes, sickles, hay knives, hedge shears, timber wedges and other tools of a kind used in agriculture, horticulture or forestry
8202	Hand saws; blades for saws of all kinds (including slitting, slotting or toothless saw blades)
8202 10	- Hand saws
8203	Files, rasps, pliers (including cutting pliers), pincers, tweezers, metal cutting shears, pipe-cutters, bolt croppers, perforating punches and similar hand tools
8204	Hand-operated spanners and wrenches (including torque meter wrenches but not including tap wrenches); interchangeable spanner sockets, with or without handles
8205	Hand tools (including glaziers' diamonds), not elsewhere specified or included; blow lamps; vices, clamps and the like, other than accessories for and parts of, machine tools; anvils; portable forges; hand or pedal-operated grinding wheels with frameworks
8206	Tools of two or more of headings Nos. 8202 to 8205, put up in sets for retail sale
8211	Knives with cutting blades, serrated or not (including pruning knives), other than knives of heading No 8208, and blades therefor
8212	Razors and razor blades (including razor blade blanks in strips)
8213	Scissors, tailors' shears and similar shears, and blades therefor
8214	Other articles of cutlery (for example, hair clippers, butchers' or kitchen cleavers, choppers and mincing knives, paper knives); manicure or pedicure sets and instruments (including nail files)
8215	Spoons, forks, ladles, skimmers, cake-servers, fish-knives, butter-knives, sugar tongs and similar kitchen or tableware
83	MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES OF BASE METAL
8301	Padlocks and locks (key, combination or electrically operated), of base metal; clasps and frames with clasps, incorporating locks, of base metal; keys for any of the foregoing articles, of base metal
8301 10	- Padlocks
8301 20	- Locks of a kind used for motor vehicles
8301 30	- Locks of a kind used for furniture
8301 40	- Other locks
8301 50	- Clasps and frames with clasps, incorporating locks
8301 70	- Keys presented separately
8302	Base metal mountings, fittings and similar articles suitable for furniture, doors, staircases, windows, blinds, coachwork, saddlery, trunks, chests, caskets or the like; base metal hat-racks, hat-pegs, brackets and similar fixtures; castors with mountings of base metal; automatic door closers of base metal
8304	Filing cabinets, card-index cabinets, paper trays, paper rests, pen trays, office-stamp stands and similar office or desk equipment, of base metal, other than office furniture of heading No. 9403
8305	Fittings for loose-leaf binders or files, letter clips, letter corners, paper clips, indexing tags and similar office articles, of base metal; staples in strips (for example, for offices, upholstery, packaging), of base metal
8306	Bells, gongs and the like, non-electric, of base metal; statuettes and other ornaments, of base metal; photograph, picture or similar frames, of base metal; mirrors of base metal
8308	Clasps, frames with clasps, buckles, buckle-clasps, hooks, eyes, eyelets and the like, of base metal, of a kind used for clothing, footwear, awnings, handbags, travel goods or other made up articles, tubular or bifurcated rivets, of base metal; beads and spangles of base metal
8309	Stoppers, caps and lids (including crown corks, screw caps and pouring stoppers), capsules for bottles, threaded bungs, bung covers, seals and other packing accessories, of base metal

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8310	Sign-plates, name-plates, address-plates and similar plates, numbers, letters and other symbols, of base metal, excluding those of heading No. 9405
84	NUCLEAR REACTORS, BOILERS, MACHINERY AND MECHANICAL APPLIANCES; PARTS THEREOF
8403	Central heating boilers other than those of heading No 8402
8407	Spark-ignition reciprocating or rotary internal combustion piston engines
	- Marine propulsion engines
8407 21	- - Outboard motors
8413	Pumps for liquids, whether or not fitted with a measuring device; liquid elevators
8413 20	- Hand pumps, other than those of subheading No 8413 11 or 8413 19
8414	Air or vacuum pumps, air or other gas compressors and fans; ventilating or recycling hoods incorporating a fan, whether or not fitted with filters
	- Fans
8414 51	- - Table, floor, wall, window, ceiling or roof fans, with a self-contained electric motor of an output not exceeding 125 W
8419	Machinery, plant or laboratory equipment, whether or not electrically heated, for the treatment of materials by a process involving a change of temperature such as heating, cooking, roasting, distilling, rectifying, sterilizing, pasteurising, steaming, drying, evaporating, vapourising, condensing or cooling, other than machinery or plant of a kind used for domestic purposes; instantaneous or storage water heaters, non electric
	- Instantaneous or storage water heaters, non-electric
8419 11	- - Instantaneous gas water heaters
8419 19	- - Other
8421	Centrifuges, including centrifugal dryers; filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus, for liquids or gases
	- Centrifuges, including centrifugal dryers
8421 12	- - Clothes-dryers
8422	Dish washing machines; machinery for cleaning or drying bottles or other containers; machinery for filling, closing, sealing, or labelling bottles, cans, boxes, bags or other containers; machinery for capsuling bottles, jars, tubes and similar containers; other packing or wrapping machinery (including heat-shrink wrapping machinery); machinery for aerating beverages
	- Dish washing machines
8422 11	- - Of the household type
8423	Weighing machinery (excluding balances of a sensitivity of 5 cg or better), including weight operated counting or checking machines; weighing machine weights of all kinds
8423 10	- Personal weighing machines, including baby scales; household scales
8433	Harvesting or threshing machinery, including straw or fodder balers; grass or hay mowers; machines for cleaning, sorting or grading eggs, fruit or other agricultural produce, other than machinery of heading No 8437
	- Mowers for lawns, parks or sports grounds
8433 11	- - Powered, with the cutting device rotating in a horizontal plane
8433 19	- - Other
8450	Household or laundry-type washing machines, including machines which both wash and dry
	- Machines, each of a dry linen capacity not exceeding 10 kg
8450 11	- - Fully-automatic machines
8450 12	- - Other machines, with built-in centrifugal drier
8450 19	- - Other
8452	Sewing machines, other than book-sewing machines of heading No 8440; furniture, bases and covers specially designed for sewing machines; sewing machine needles
8452 10	- Sewing machines of the household type
8484	Gaskets and similar joints of metal sheeting combined with other material or of two or more layers of metal; sets or assortments of gaskets and similar joints, dissimilar in composition, put up in pouches, envelopes or similar packings; mechanical seals
85	ELECTRICAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT AND PARTS THEREOF; SOUND RECORDERS AND REPRODUCERS, TELEVISION IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS AND REPRODUCERS, AND PARTS AND ACCESSORIES OF SUCH ARTICLES
8507	Electric accumulators, including separators therefor, whether or not rectangular (including square)
8507 10	- Lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines

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8507 20	- Other lead-acid accumulators
8507 30	- Nickel-cadmium
8507 30 10	- - For use in civil aircraft (NC004)
	- - Other
	- - - Other
8507 30 93	- - - - Traction accumulators
8507 30 98	- - - - Other
8507 40	- Nickel-iron
8507 80	- Other accumulators
8508	Electro-mechanical tools for working in the hand, with self-contained electric motor
8509	Electro-mechanical domestic appliances, with self-contained electric motor
8511	Electrical ignition or starting equipment of a kind used for spark-ignition or compression-ignition internal combustion engines (for example, ignition magnetos, magneto-dynamos, ignition coils, sparking plugs and glow plugs, starter motors); generators (for example, dynamos, alternators) and cut-outs of a kind used in conjunction with such engines
8511 10	- Sparking plugs
8511 20	- Ignition magnetos; magneto-dynamos; magnetic flywheels
8511 30	- Distributors; ignition coils
8511 40	- Starter motors and dual purpose starter-generators
8511 50	- Other generators
8511 80	- Other equipment
8512	Electrical lighting or signalling equipment (excluding articles of heading No 8539), windscreen wipers, defrosters and demisters, of a kind used for cycles or motor vehicles
8512 10	- Lighting or visual signalling equipment of a kind used on bicycles
8512 20	- Other lighting or visual signalling equipment
8512 30	- Sound signalling equipment
8512 40	- Windscreen wipers, defrosters and demisters
8513	Portable electric lamps designed to function by their own source of energy (for example, dry batteries, accumulators, magnetos), other than lighting equipment of heading No 8512
8513 10	- Lamps
8516	Electric instantaneous or storage water heaters and immersion heaters; electric space heating apparatus and soil heating apparatus; electro-thermic hair-dressing apparatus (for example, hair dryers, hair curlers, curling tong heaters) and hand dryers; electric smoothing irons; other electro-thermic appliances of a kind used for domestic purposes; electric heating resistors, other than those of heading No 8545
8516 10	- Electric instantaneous or storage water heaters and immersion heaters
	- Electric space heating apparatus and electric soil heating apparatus
8516 21	- - Storage heating radiators
8516 29	- - Other
	- Electro-thermic hair-dressing or hand-drying apparatus
8516 31	- - Hair dryers
8516 32	- - Other hair-dressing apparatus
8516 33	- - Hand-drying apparatus
8516 40	- Electric smoothing irons
8516 50	- Microwave ovens
8516 60	- Other ovens; cookers, cooking plates, boiling rings; grillers and roasters
	- Other electro-thermic appliances
8516 71	- - Coffee or tea makers
8516 72	- - Toasters
8516 79	- - Other
8518	Microphones and stands therefor; loudspeakers, whether or not mounted in their enclosures; headphones, earphones and combined microphone/speaker sets; audio-frequency electric amplifiers; electric sound amplifier sets
8519	Turntables (record-decks), record-players, cassette-players and other sound reproducing apparatus, not incorporating a sound recording device
8520	Magnetic tape recorders and other sound recording apparatus, whether or not incorporating a sound reproducing device
8521	Video recording or reproducing apparatus, whether or not incorporating a video tuner

HS/CN	Description of products
8523	Prepared unrecorded media for sound recording or similar recording of other phenomena, other than products of Chapter 37
8524	Records, tapes and other recorded media for sound or other similarly recorded phenomena, including matrices and masters for the production of records, but excluding products of Chapter 37
8524 10	- Gramophone records
	- Discs for laser reading systems
8524 32	- - For reproducing sound only
8524 39	- - Other
8524 40	- Magnetic tapes for reproducing phenomena other than sound or image
	- Other magnetic tapes
8524 51	- - Of a width not exceeding 4 mm
8524 52	- - Of a width exceeding 4 mm but not exceeding 6,5 mm
8524 53	- - Of a width exceeding 6,5 mm
8524 60	- Cards incorporating a magnetic stripe
	- Other
8524 91	- - For reproducing phenomena other than sound or image
8524 91 90	- - - Other
8524 99	- - Other
8528	Reception apparatus for television, whether or not incorporating radio-broadcast receivers or sound or video recording or reproducing apparatus; video monitors and video projectors
8539	Electric filament or discharge lamps, including sealed-beam lamp units and ultraviolet or infra-red lamps; arc-lamps
8539 10	- Sealed beam lamp units
	- Other filament lamps, excluding ultra-violet or infra-red lamps
8539 21	- - Tungsten halogen
8539 22	- - Other, of a power not exceeding 200 W and for a voltage exceeding 100 V
8539 29	- - Other
	- Discharge lamps, other than ultra-violet lamps
8539 31	- - Fluorescent, hot cathode
8539 32	- - Mercury or sodium vapour lamps; metal halide lamps
8539 39	- - Other
	- Ultra-violet or infra-red lamps; arc-lamps
87	VEHICLES OTHER THAN RAILWAY OR TRAMWAY ROLLING-STOCK, AND PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF
8701	Tractors (other than tractors of heading No 8709)
8701 10	- Pedestrian controlled tractors
8701 20	- Road tractors for semi-trailers
8701 30	- Track-laying tractors
8701 90	- Other
	- - Agricultural tractors (excluding pedestrian-controlled tractors) and forestry tractors, wheeled
	- - - New, of an engine power
8701 90 11	- - - - Not exceeding 18 kW
8701 90 15	- - - - Exceeding 18 kW but not exceeding 25 kW
8701 90 21	- - - - Exceeding 25 kW but not exceeding 37 kW
8701 90 25	- - - - Exceeding 37 kW but not exceeding 59 kW
8701 90 31	- - - - Exceeding 59 kW but not exceeding 75 kW
8701 90 35	- - - - Exceeding 75 kW but not exceeding 90 kW
8701 90 50	- - - Used
8701 90 90	- - Other
8703	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (other than those of heading No 8702), including station wagons and racing cars
8704	Motor vehicles for the transport of goods
8711	Motorcycles (including mopeds) and cycles fitted with an auxiliary motor, with or without side-cars; side-cars
8712	Bicycles and other cycles (including delivery tricycles), not motorised
8716	Trailers and semi-trailers; other vehicles, not mechanically propelled; parts thereof
8716 10	- Trailers and semi-trailers of the caravan type, for housing or camping
88	AIRCRAFT, SPACECRAFT, AND PARTS THEREOF

HS/CN	Description of products
8801	Balloons and dirigibles; gliders, hang gliders and other non-powered aircraft
8802	Other aircraft (for example, helicopters, aeroplanes); spacecraft (including satellites) and suborbital and spacecraft launch vehicles
8802 20	- Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen weight not exceeding 2 000 kg
8802 20 10	- - Civil aircraft (NC004)
89	SHIPS, BOATS AND FLOATING STRUCTURES
8903	Yachts and other vessels for pleasure or sports; rowing boats and canoes
90	OPTICAL, PHOTOGRAPHIC, CINEMATOGRAPHIC, MEASURING, CHECKING, PRECISION, MEDICAL OR SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS AND APPARATUS; PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF
9005	Binoculars, monoculars, other optical telescopes, and mountings therefor; other astronomical instruments and mountings therefor, but not including instruments for radio-astronomy
9006	Photographic (other than cinematographic) cameras; photographic flashlight apparatus and flashbulbs other than discharge lamps of heading No 8539
	- Other cameras
9006 51	- - With a through-the-lens viewfinder (single lens reflex (SLR)), for roll film of a width not exceeding 35 mm
9006 52	- - Other, for roll film of a width less than 35 mm
9006 53	- - Other, for roll film of a width of 35 mm
9006 59	- - Other
9007	Cinematographic cameras and projectors, whether or not incorporating sound recording or reproducing apparatus
	- Cameras
9007 11	- - For film of less than 16 mm width or for double-8 mm film
9007 19	- - Other
	- Parts and accessories
9008	Image projectors, other than cinematographic; photographic (other than cinematographic) enlargers and reducers
9008 10	- Slide projectors
9008 20	- Microfilm, microfiche or other microform readers, whether or not capable of producing copies
9008 30	- Other image projectors
9008 40	- Photographic (other than cinematographic) enlargers and reducers
9009	Photocopying apparatus incorporating an optical system or of the contact type and thermo-copying apparatus
	- Electrostatic photocopying apparatus
9009 11	- - Operating by reproducing the original image directly onto the copy (direct process)
9009 12	- - Operating by reproducing the original image via an intermediate onto the copy (indirect process)
	- Other photocopying apparatus
9009 21	- - Incorporating an optical system
9009 22	- - Of the contact type
9009 30	- Thermo-copying apparatus
91	CLOCKS AND WATCHES AND PARTS THEREOF
9101	Wrist-watches, pocket-watches and other watches, including stop-watches, with case of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal
9102	Wrist-watches, pocket-watches and other watches, including stop-watches, other than those of heading No 9101
9103	Clocks with watch movements, excluding clocks of heading No 9104
9104	Instrument panel clocks and clocks of a similar type for vehicles, aircraft, spacecraft or vessels
9105	Other clocks
9106	Time of day recording apparatus and apparatus for measuring, recording or otherwise indicating intervals of time, with clock or watch movement or with synchronous motor (for example, time-registers, time-recorders)
9113	Watch straps, watch bands and watch bracelets, and parts thereof
92	MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; PARTS AND ACCESSORIES OF SUCH ARTICLES
9201	Pianos, including automatic pianos; harpsichords and other keyboard stringed instruments
9202	Other string musical instruments (for example, guitars, violins, harps)
9203	Keyboard pipe organs; harmoniums and similar keyboard instruments with free metal reeds
9204	Accordions and similar instruments; mouth organs

HS/CN	Description of products
9205	Other wind musical instruments (for example, clarinets, trumpets, bagpipes)
9206	Percussion musical instruments (for example, drums, xylophones, cymbals, castanets, maraccas)
9207	Musical instruments, the sound of which is produced, or must be amplified, electrically (for example, organs, guitars, accordions)
9208	Musical boxes, fairground organs, mechanical street organs, mechanical singing birds, musical saws and other musical instruments not falling within any other heading of this Chapter; decoy calls of all kinds; whistles, call horns and other mouth-blown sound signalling instruments
93	ARMS AND AMMUNITION; PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF
9302	Revolvers and pistols, other than those of heading
9303	Other firearms and similar devices which operate by the firing of an explosive charge (for example, sporting shotguns and rifles, muzzle-loading firearms, Very pistols and other devices designed to project only signal flares, pistols and revolvers for firing blank ammunition, captive-bolt humane killers, line-throwing guns)
9304	Other arms (for example, spring, air or gas guns)
9305	Parts and accessories of articles of headings Nos 9301 to 9304
9307	Swords, cutlasses, bayonets, lances and similar arms and parts thereof and scabbards and sheaths therefor
94	FURNITURE; BEDDING, MATTRESSES, MATTRESS SUPPORTS, CUSHIONS AND SIMILAR STUFFED FURNISHINGS; LAMPS AND LIGHTING FITTINGS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDED; ILLUMINATED SIGNS, ILLUMINATED NAME-PLATES AND THE LIKE; PREFABRICATED BUILDINGS
9401	Seats (other than those of heading No. 9402), whether or not convertible into beds, and parts thereof
9401 10	- Seats of a kind used for aircraft
9401 20	- Seats of a kind used for motor vehicles
9401 30	- Swivel seats with variable height adjustment
9401 40	- Seats other than garden seats or camping equipment, convertible into beds
9401 50	- Seats of cane, osier, bamboo or similar materials
	- Other seats, with wooden frames
9401 61	- - Upholstered
9401 69	- - Other
	- Other seats, with metal frames
9401 71	- - Upholstered
9401 79	- - Other
9401 80	- Other seats
9403	Other furniture and parts thereof
9404	Mattress supports; articles of bedding and similar furnishing (for example, mattresses, quilts, eiderdowns, cushions, pouffes and pillows) fitted with springs or stuffed or internally fitted with any material or of cellular rubber or plastics, whether or not covered
9405	Lamps and lighting fittings including searchlights and spotlights and parts thereof, not elsewhere specified or included; illuminated signs, illuminated name-plates and the like, having a permanently fixed light source, and parts thereof not elsewhere specified or included
9405 10	- Chandeliers and other electric ceiling or wall lighting fittings, excluding those of a kind used for lighting public open spaces or thoroughfares
9405 20	- Electric table, desk, bedside or floor-standing lamps
9405 30	- Lighting sets of a kind used for Christmas trees
9405 40	- Other electric lamps and lighting fittings
9405 50	- Non-electrical lamps and lighting fittings
95	TOYS, GAMES AND SPORTS REQUISITES; PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF
9504	Articles for funfair, table or parlour games, including pintables, billiards, special tables for casino games and automatic bowling alley equipment
9505	Festive, carnival or other entertainment articles, including conjuring tricks and novelty jokes
9506	Articles and equipment for general physical exercise, gymnastics, athletics, other sports (including table-tennis) or outdoor games, not specified or included elsewhere in this Chapter; swimming pools and paddling pools
9507	Fishing rods, fish-hooks and other line fishing tackle; fish landing nets, butterfly nets and similar nets; decoy "birds" (other than those of heading No 9208 or 9705) and similar hunting or shooting requisites

HS/CN	Description of products
9508	Roundabouts, swings, shooting galleries and other fairground amusements; travelling circuses, travelling menageries and travelling theatres
96	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES
9601	Worked ivory, bone, tortoise-shell, horn, antlers, coral, mother-of-pearl and other animal carving material, and articles of these materials (including articles obtained by moulding)
9602	Worked vegetable or mineral carving material and articles of these materials; moulded or carved articles of wax, of stearin, of natural gums or natural resins or of modelling pastes, and other moulded or carved articles, not elsewhere specified or included; worked, unhardened gelatin (except gelatin of heading No 3503) and articles of unhardened gelatin
9603	Brooms, brushes (including brushes constituting parts of machines, appliances or vehicles), hand-operated mechanical floor sweepers, not motorised, mops and feather dusters; prepared knots and tufts for broom or brush making; paint pads and rollers; squeegees (other than roller squeegees)
9603 10	- Brooms and brushes, consisting of twigs or other vegetable materials bound together, with or without handles
	- Tooth brushes, shaving brushes, hair brushes, nail brushes, eyelash brushes and other toilet brushes for use on the person, including such brushes constituting parts of appliances
9603 21	- - Tooth brushes, including dental-plate brushes
9603 29	- - Other
9603 30	- Artists' brushes, writing brushes and similar brushes for the application of cosmetics
9603 40	- Paint, distemper, varnish or similar brushes (other than brushes of subheading 9603 30); paint pads and rollers
9603 90	- Other
9604	Hand sieves and hand riddles
9605	Travel sets for personal toilet, sewing or shoe or clothes cleaning
9606	Buttons, press-fasteners, snap-fasteners and press-studs, button moulds and other parts of these articles; button blanks
9607	Slide fasteners and parts thereof
9608	Ball point pens; felt tipped and other porous-tipped pens and markers; fountain pens, stylograph pens and other pens; duplicating stylos; propelling or sliding pencils; pen-holders, pencil-holders and similar holders; parts (including caps and clips) of the foregoing articles, other than those of heading No 9609
9609	Pencils (other than pencils of heading No 9608), crayons, pencil leads, pastels, drawing charcoals, writing or drawing chalks and tailors' chalks
9610	Slates and boards, with writing or drawing surfaces, whether or not framed
9611	Date, sealing or numbering stamps, and the like (including devices for printing or embossing labels), designed for operating in the hand; hand-operated composing sticks and hand printing sets incorporating such composing sticks
9613	Cigarette lighters and other lighters, whether or not mechanical or electrical, and parts thereof other than flints and wicks
97	WORKS OF ART, COLLECTORS' PIECES AND ANTIQUES

APPENDIX II**MAIN ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

	1994	1995	1996	1997
GDP in current prices (bn CZK)	1037.5	1252.1	1414.0	
in constant prices (1994, bn CZK)		1137.0	1186.6	
Trade balance (\$ million) based on customs statistics		-3608	-5906	-1871**/
Exports (\$ million) based on customs statistics		21657	21918	7249**/
Imports (\$ million) based on customs statistics		25265	27824	9120**/
Current Account (\$ million)	-47.9	-1362.3	-4475.8	-1069,2*/
Current Account (% GDP)	-0.1	-2.9	-8.6	
Capital Account (\$ million)	3371.1	8225.9	4071.7	782,4*/
Capital Account (% GDP)	9.4	17.4	7.8	
Official reserves (\$ million)	6.2	14.0	12.4	11,5**/
Official Reserves (months of imports - goods and services)	5.0	8.0	4.4	
Convertible debt (\$ million)	10.7	16.5	20.4	
Convertible debt (% of GDP)	28.9	35.8	39.4	
Debt Service (% of exports)	15.0	12.4	10.9	
Exchange Rate CZK/US\$	28.8	26.6	27.1	29,82**/

*/ 03/1997

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The difference between the CNB's trade balance data and the data on exports and imports published by the CSO (based on customs statistics) is due to adjustments made by the CNB:

- the values of exports and imports obtained from customs statistics are reduced by the estimated value of interests on trade credits which are included under income,
- the imports of natural gas from Russia (representing the repayments of a government credit and in the trade balance recorded under non-convertible currencies) are valued at current market price while in customs statistics the value results from the price in transferable rubles fixed in the inter-governmental agreement.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

	1993		1994		1995		1996+ /	
	in mil. CZK	in mil. US\$	in mil. CZK	in mil. US\$	in mil. CZK	in mil. US\$	in mil. CZK	in mil. US\$
Current account	3334.6	114.6	-1430.6	-49.7	-36152.2	-1362.3	-14661.7	-541.1
Trade balance + + / -	-9090.1	-311.7	-25581.3	-888.9	-97598.6	-3677.9	-26524.6	-978.8
Exports	378919.2	12997.2	403392.4	14016.4	569549.1	21462.5	147526.3	5444.0
Imports	388009.3	13308.9	428973.7	14905.3	667147.7	25140.4	174050.9	6422.8
Services balance	29465.2	1010.8	21095.8	732.9	48881.2	1842.0	9318.0	343.8
Credit	137691.2	4722.9	140804.0	4892.3	178270.4	6717.8	37938.5	1400.0
Transportation	36186.6	1241.2	35757.9	1242.5	38757.4	1460.5	10030.0	370.1
Travel	45437.4	1558.5	56570.3	1965.6	76301.3	2875.2	11750.0	581.2
Other services	56067.2	1923.2	48475.8	1684.2	63211.7	2382.1	12158.5	448.7
Debit	108226.0	3712.1	119708.2	4159.4	129389.2	4875.8	28620.5	1056.2
Transportation	21402.1	734.1	24542.4	852.8	21208.9	799.3	5260.0	194.1
Travel	15368.3	527.1	30962.6	1075.8	43330.3	1632.8	80170.0	320.0
Other services	71455.6	2450.9	64203.2	2230.8	64850.0	2443.7	14690.5	542.1
Income balance	-3424.7	-117.5	-580.8	-20.1	-2804.0	-105.6	-967.5	-35.7
Credit	15952.0	547.2	22713.2	789.2	31696.1	1194.5	9747.4	359.7
Debit	19376.7	664.7	23294.0	809.3	34500.1	1300.1	10714.9	395.4
Transfers (net)	-13615.8	-467.0	3635.7	126.4	15369.2	579.2	3512.4	129.6
Capital account	88184.7	3024.8	97019.7	3371.1	218288.5	8225.9	2434.1	89.9
Direct investment	16098.2	552.2	21551.1	748.9	67021.2	2525.6	8093.2	298.6
Abroad	-2952.2	-101.3	-3443.3	-119.6	-971.6	-36.6	-550.0	-20.3
In the Czech Republic	19050.4	653.5	24994.4	868.5	67992.8	2562.2	8643.2	318.9
Portfolio investment	46658.5	1600.5	24595.9	854.6	36144.4	1362.0	-3496.5	-129.0
Assets	-6686.9	-229.3	-1327.1	-46.1
Liabilities	53345.4	1829.8	25923.0	900.7	.	.	-3496.5	-129.0
Other capital	25428.0	872.1	50872.7	1767.6	115122.9	4338.3	-2162.6	-79.7
Long-term capital	23796.3	816.2	31911.5	1108.7	89350.2	3367.1	5282.1	195.0
Assets	13664.4	468.7	12046.4	418.5	1384.4	52.2	-1014.9	-37.4
Liabilities	10131.9	347.5	19865.1	690.2	87965.8	3314.9	6297.0	232.4
Short-term capital	1631.7	55.9	18961.2	658.9	25772.7	971.2	-7444.7	-274.7
of which financial transfers								
Errors, omissions and valuation changes	-3203.1	-110.1	-27334.5	-949.8	15779.4	594.5	-1048.5	-38.7
Reserves	-88316.2	-3029.3	-68254.6	-2371.6	-197915.7	-7458.1	13276.1	489.9
CZK/US\$	29.154		28.780		26.537		27.099	

++ / trade balance: 1993, 1994 - old methodology. 1995, 1996, 1997 - new methodology.
Source: Czech National Bank, 12 June 1997

EXTERNAL DEBT

(in millions of CZK; end of period)

	1 Jan. 1993	31 Dec. 1993	31 Dec. 1994	31 Dec. 1995	31 Dec. 1996 + /	31 March 1997 + /
Debt in convertible currencies	204674.7	254488.1	299960.7	440229.3	557908.6	573127.2
Medium- and long-term	152695.1	194525.0	218944.5	306034.4	395694.0	403736.9
By creditor:						
Foreign banks	62121.2	82849.8	124224.8	218310.9	300713.8	312582.9
Governments	6685.9	7346.8	7482.1	7039.1	6631.8	6546.8
Multilateral institutions	50127.1	52891.7	19889.7	18987.2	17645.5	17541.1
Suppliers' credits and credits from direct investors	29023.0	25838.0	32601.0	24567.0	17863.0	20230.5
Other investors	4737.9	25598.7	34746.9	37130.2	52839.9	46835.6
By debtor:						
Banking system	49890.9	75011.6	50465.4	117701.3	161958.5	173211.5
of which CNB	35399.8	58836.1	22845.3	22268.0	11178.4	11199.7
Commercial banks	14491.1	16175.5	27620.1	95433.3	150780.1	162011.8
Government	61147.2	59477.1	61763.4	52101.7	46738.6	43900.4
Corporations and other	41657.0	60036.3	106715.7	136231.4	186996.9	186625.0
Short-term	51979.6	59963.1	81016.2	134194.9	162214.6	169390.3
of which liabilities in CZK				20142.3	48744.7	47171.6
Debt in non-convertible currencies	10708.8	23258.5	29644.9	9494.8	8865.9	8867.2
Medium- and long-term	9941.8	23062.0	22773.1	9492.7	8865.9	8867.2
Short-term	767.0	196.5	6871.8	2.1		
Debt vis-a-vis the Slovak Republic	8940.0	9966.8	12863.2	7571.1	314.8	253.5
Medium- and long-term	531.0	438.0	319.0	992.0		
Short-term	8409.0	9528.8	12544.2	6579.1	314.8	253.5
TOTAL EXTERNAL DEBT	224323.5	287713.4	342468.8	457295.2	567089.3	582247.9
of which:						
Medium- and long-term	163167.9	218025.0	242036.6	316519.1	404559.9	412604.1
Short-term	61155.6	69688.4	100432.2	140776.1	162529.4	169643.8
Foreign investment in the Czech Republic						
Convertible currencies						
Direct investment	44946.3	61498.9	86318.1	154212.5	192987.3	201581.7
Portfolio investment	72.0	10616.3	12848.8	43996.9	92867.8	94427.9
Non-convertible currencies						
Direct investment	498.0	3007.8	3183.0	3358.1		
Portfolio investment	3.0	22368.9	24486.8	26283.5		
TOTAL EXTERNAL LIABILITIES	269842.8	385205.3	469305.5	685146.2	852944.4	878257.5

+ / preliminary data

Source: Czech National Bank, June 1997

EXTERNAL DEBT

(in millions of US\$; end of period)

	1 Jan. 1993	31 Dec. 1993	31 Dec. 1994	31 Dec. 1995	31 Dec. 1996 + /	31 March 1997 + /
Debt in convertible currencies	7082.4	8495.8	10694.2	16548.8	20412.3	19626.3
Medium- and long-term	5283.7	6494.0	7805.9	11504.2	14477.3	13825.6
By creditor:						
Foreign banks	2149.6	2765.9	4428.9	8206.6	11002.3	10704.1
Governments	231.4	245.3	266.7	264.6	242.6	224.2
Multilateral institutions	1734.5	1765.6	709.2	713.8	645.6	600.7
Suppliers' credits and credits from direct investors	1004.3	862.6	1162.3	923.5	653.5	692.8
Other investors	163.9	854.6	1238.8	1395.7	1933.3	1603.8
By debtor:						
Banking system	1726.3	2504.1	1799.2	4424.6	5925.6	5931.4
of which CNB	1224.9	1964.1	814.5	837.1	409.0	383.5
Commercial banks	501.4	540.0	984.7	3587.5	5516.6	5547.9
Government	2115.9	1985.6	2202.0	1958.5	1710.1	1503.3
Corporations and other	1441.5	2004.3	3804.7	5121.1	6841.6	6390.9
Short-term	1798.7	2001.8	2888.3	5044.6	5935.0	5800.7
of which liabilities in CZK				757.2	1783.4	1615.4
Debt in non-convertible currencies	370.5	776.4	1056.9	356.9	324.4	303.6
Medium- and long-term	344.0	769.8	811.9	356.8	324.4	303.6
Short-term	26.5	6.6	245.0	0.1		
Debt vis-a-vis the Slovak Republic	309.4	332.7	458.6	284.6	11.5	8.7
Medium- and long-term	18.4	14.6	11.4	37.3		
Short-term	291.0	318.1	447.2	247.3	11.5	8.7
TOTAL EXTERNAL DEBT	7762.3	9604.9	12209.7	17190.3	20748.2	19938.6
of which:						
Medium- and long-term	5646.1	7278.4	8629.2	11898.3	14801.7	14129.2
Short-term	2116.2	2326.5	3580.5	5292.0	5946.5	5809.4
Foreign investment in the Czech Republic						
Convertible currencies						
Direct investment	1555.3	2053.0	3077.4	5797.0	7060.9	6903.0
Portfolio investment	2.5	354.4	458.1	1653.9	3397.8	3233.6
Non-convertible currencies						
Direct investment	17.2	100.4	113.5	126.2		
Portfolio investment	0.1	746.8	873.0	988.0		
TOTAL EXTERNAL LIABILITIES	9337.4	12859.5	16731.7	25755.4	31206.9	30075.2

+ / - preliminary data.

Source: Czech National Bank, June 1997.

EXTERNAL RESERVES AND OTHER FOREIGN ASSETS

(in millions of CZK; end of period)

	1 Jan. 1993	31 Dec. 31 1993	31 Dec. 1994	31 Dec. 1995	31 Dec. 1996+ /	31 March 1997+ /
EXTERNAL RESERVES (Gross reserves)	103387.5	187055.8	249420.2	462504.4	478321.9	489263.5
of which						
Official reserves (CNB)	24347.4	115980.2	175121.9	373037.7	339884.0	342182.8
Gold	2488.2	2466.4	2309.3	2234.6	2290.3	2444.5
Foreign exchange	21006.7	113266.5	172812.6	370798.4	337593.7	339738.3
Holding of SDR	852.5	247.3		4.7		
Short-term assets held by commercial banks	79040.1	71075.6	74298.3	89466.7	138437.9	147080.7
Gold	104.7	21.6	20.2	19.1	19.6	21.0
Foreign exchange	78935.4	71054.0	74278.1	78665.7	100037.0	107206.1
Assets in CZK				10781.9	38381.3	39853.6
OTHER FOREIGN ASSETS IN CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES	140549.5	143106.2	132999.4	146034.0	242917.3	244778.1
Held by banks (long-term)	365.9	1852.3	1763.0	5116.6	59580.8	55045.7
Held by enterprises	82227.0	79449.0	72605.0	81237.0	99577.0	98601.8
Portfolio investment	201.0	301.0	362.0	296.0	19266.5	22537.0
Held by government institutions	53137.6	55323.8	51462.6	51686.9	50873.2	53494.8
Direct investment (equity capital)	2361.0	3648.4	4002.6	4658.0	10544.7	11972.8
Paid-up capital in international organizations	2257.0	2531.7	2804.2	3039.5	3075.1	3126.0
FOREIGN ASSETS IN NON- CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES						
Assets vis-a-vis the Slovak Republic	40904.4	68570.8	63163.1	64550.4	0.0	0.0
Held by central bank	23102.5	24572.5	24573.3	26172.3		
Held by other banks	3251.9	12360.0	9565.0			
Held by enterprises	14411.0	16954.0	15899.0	16628.0		
Held by government institutions		5501.9				
Direct investment (equity capital)	114.0	1573.5	4415.3	4527.1		
Portfolio investment (incl. voucher privatization)	25.0	7608.9	8710.5	17223.0		
Other assets in non-convertible currencies	121261.6	137655.9	127291.4	107604.2	110603.2	118408.8
Held by central bank	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7
Held by other banks	164.2	45.7	22.4	267.5	1.3	1.2
Held by enterprises	8899.0	8282.0	6738.0	4103.0	3595.8	3869.5
Held by government institutions	112034.7	129112.5	120517.3	103224.0	107001.4	114533.4
Direct investment	159.0	211.0	9.0	5.0		
FOREIGN ASSETS total	406103.0	536388.7	572874.1	780693.0	831842.4	852450.4
of which						
in convertible currencies	243937.0	330162.0	382419.6	608538.4	721239.2	734041.6
in non-convertible currencies	162166.0	206226.7	190454.5	172154.6	110603.2	118408.8

Gold valued at 42,22 US\$ per ounce.

+ / preliminary data.

Source: Czech National Bank, June 1997.

EXTERNAL RESERVES AND OTHER FOREIGN ASSETS

(in millions of US\$; end of period)

	1 Jan. 1993	31 Dec. 1993	31 Dec. 1994	31 Dec. 1995	31 Dec. 1996 + /	31 March 1997 + /
EXTERNAL RESERVES (Gross reserves)	3577.5	6244.5	8892.3	17386.1	17500.4	16754.5
of which						
Official reserves (CNB)	842.5	3871.8	6243.4	14022.9	12435.4	11717.8
Gold	86.1	82.3	82.3	84.0	83.8	83.7
Foreign exchange	726.9	3781.2	6161.1	13938.7	12351.6	11634.1
Holding of SDR	29.5	8.3		0.2		
Short-term assets held by commercial banks	2735.0	2372.7	2648.9	3363.2	5065.0	5036.7
Gold	3.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Foreign exchange	2731.4	2372.0	2648.2	2957.2	3660.1	3671.2
Assets in CZK				405.3	1404.2	1364.8
OTHER FOREIGN ASSETS IN CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES	4863.5	4777.4	4741.6	5489.6	8887.7	8382.2
Held by banks (long-term)	12.7	61.9	62.9	192.3	2179.9	1885.0
Held by enterprises	2845.3	2652.3	2588.5	3053.8	3643.3	3376.5
Portfolio investment	7.0	10.0	12.9	11.1	704.9	771.8
Held by government institutions	1838.7	1846.9	1834.7	1943.0	1861.3	1831.9
Direct investment (equity capital)	81.7	121.8	142.7	175.1	385.8	410.0
Paid-up capital in international organizations	78.1	84.5	99.9	114.3	112.5	107.0
FOREIGN ASSETS IN NON- CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES						
Assets vis-a-vis the Slovak Republic	1415.4	2289.1	2251.8	2426.5	0.0	0.0
Held by central bank	799.4	820.3	876.1	983.8		
Held by other banks	112.5	412.6	341.0			
Held by enterprises	498.7	566.0	566.8	625.1		
Held by government institutions		183.7				
Direct investment (equity capital)	3.9	52.5	157.4	170.2		
Portfolio investment (incl. voucher privatization)	0.9	254.0	310.5	647.4		
Other assets in non-convertible currencies	4196.1	4595.4	4538.2	4045.0	4046.6	4054.8
Held by central bank	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Held by other banks	5.7	1.5	0.8	10.1		
Held by enterprises	307.9	276.5	240.2	154.2	131.5	132.5
Held by government institutions	3876.8	4310.2	4296.7	3880.3	3914.9	3922.1
Direct investment	5.5	7.0	0.3	0.2		
FOREIGN ASSETS total	14052.5	17906.4	20423.9	29347.2	30434.7	29191.5
of which						
in convertible currencies	8441.0	11021.9	13633.9	22875.7	26388.1	25136.7
in non-convertible currencies	5611.5	6884.5	6790.0	6471.5	4046.6	4054.8

Gold valued at 42,22 US\$ per ounce.

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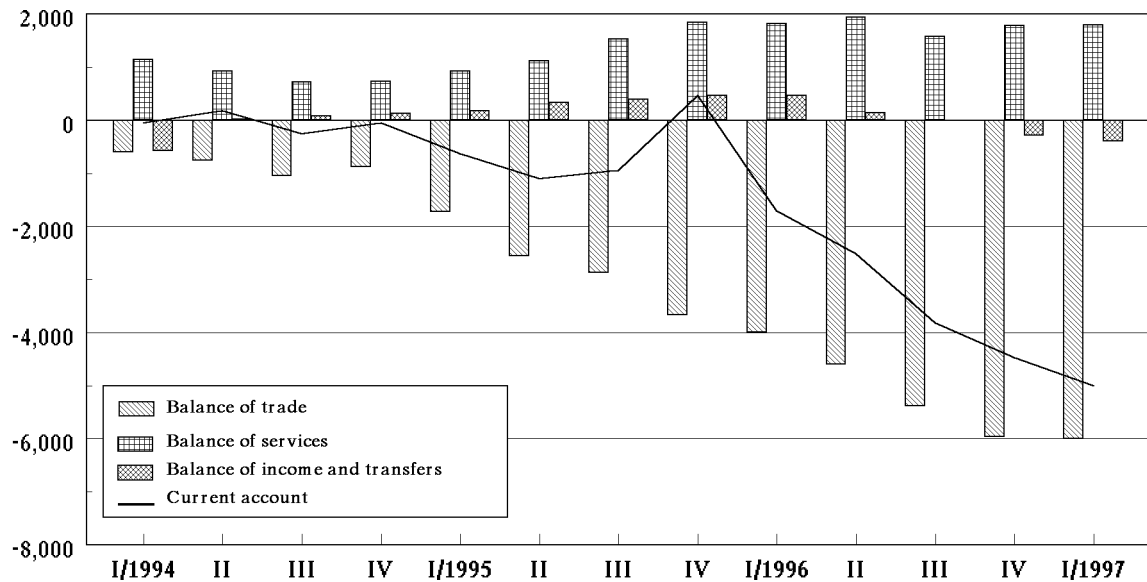
Source: Czech National Bank, June 1977.

Chart 1

Current account

(Moving sum of latest four quarters)

US\$ million



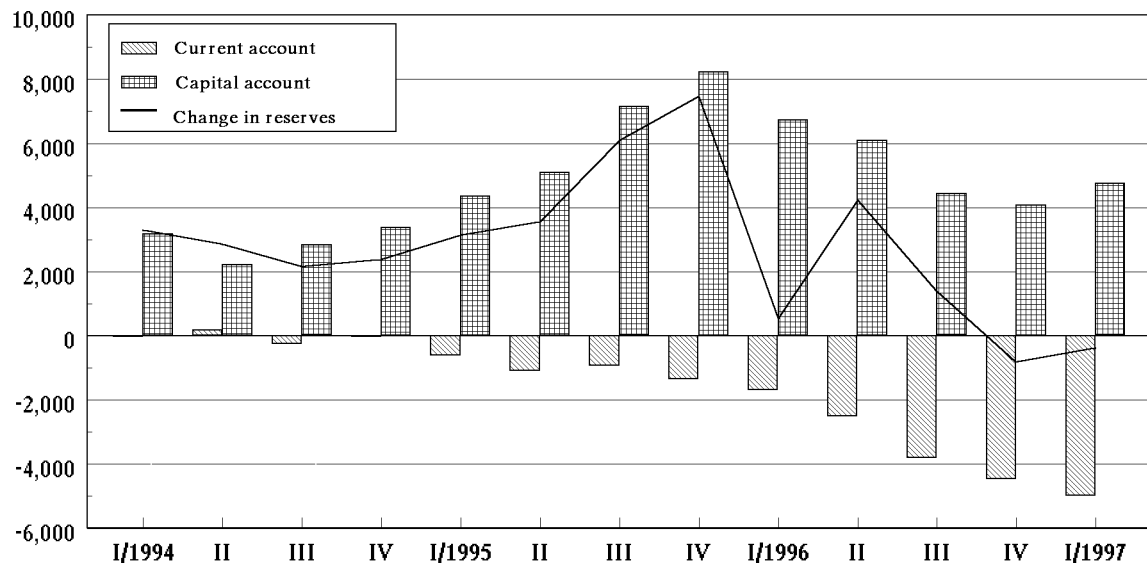
Source: Czech National Bank.

Chart 2

Balance of payments

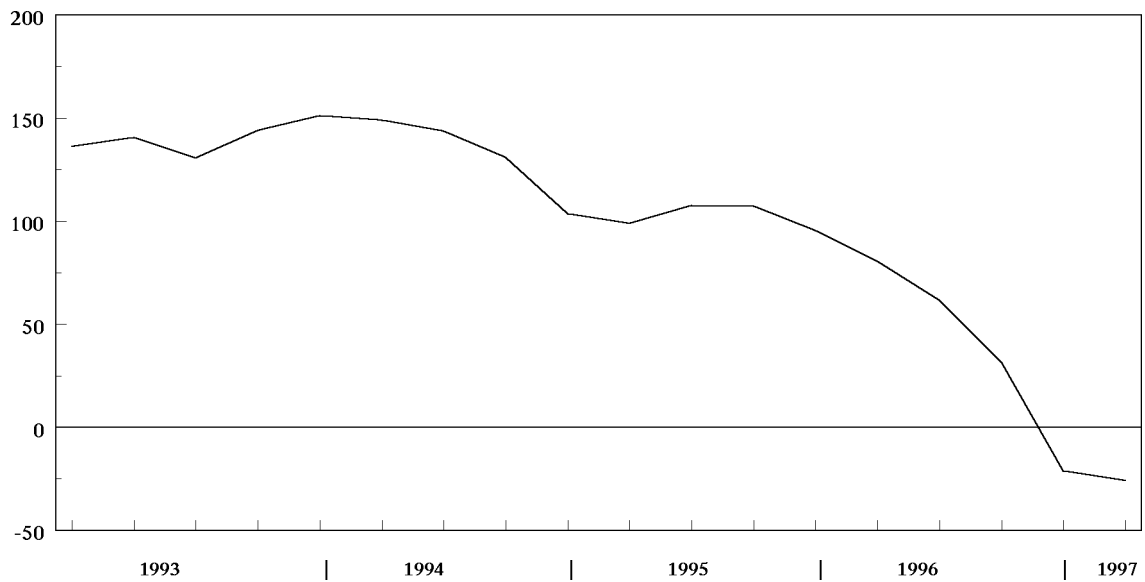
(Moving sum of latest four quarters)

US\$ million



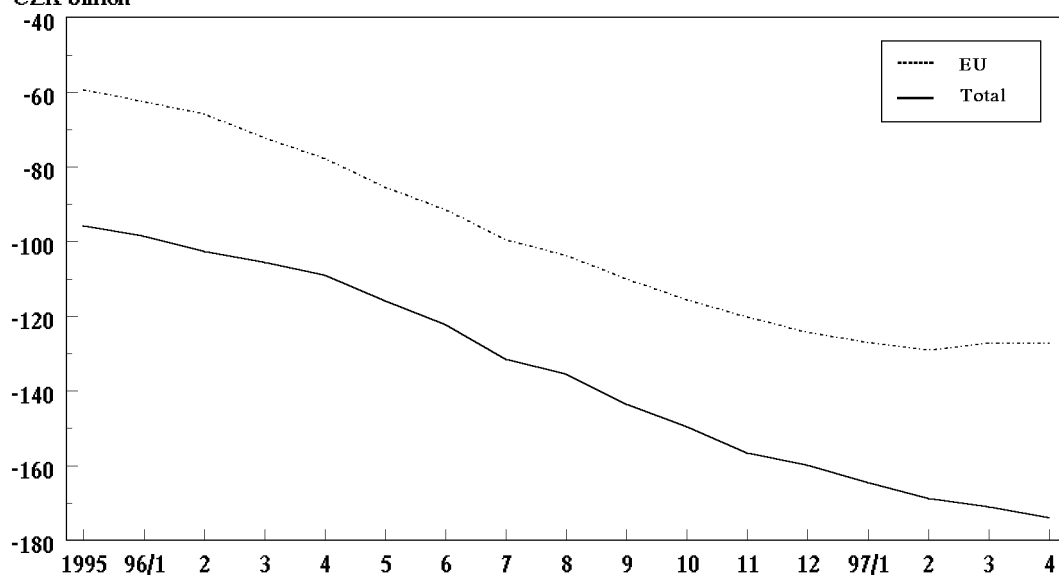
Source: Czech National Bank.

Chart 3
International investment position development in 1993-1997
CZK billion



Source: Czech National Bank.

Chart 4
Balance of trade change in recent 12 months
CZK billion



Source: Czech Statistical Office.

BALANCE BY GROUP OF COUNTRIES, 1995 - 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1995				1996				1997
	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	1. Q
Total balance	-17532	-25147	-19588	-33456	-27112	-41775	-41859	-49580	-38319
* Developed market economies	-14855	-19825	-17831	-31907	-28564	-39883	-39334	-44964	-33386
** EU	-9429	-12720	-12133	-24971	-22451	-31757	-31760	-38996	-25185
** EFTA	-1017	-1604	-1308	-1490	-1186	-1406	-1774	-1294	-655
* Developing economies	929	-542	461	466	475	-947	-1395	-2816	-2906
* European Transition economies and CIS countries	-3079	-4214	-1714	-1218	1655	591	306	415	275
** CEFTA	3660	3032	3365	3122	7354	5660	5598	6756	6741
*** Slovakia	1098	-164	-77	-278	3276	3080	2875	3536	5052
* Other transition economies and economies with a state trading system	-517	-555	-639	-896	-732	-1509	-1473	-2244	-2302

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IMPORTS BY GROUP OF COUNTRIES, 1995 - 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1995				1996				1997
	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	1. Q
Total imports	149053	170348	159049	191995	174305	189086	186227	205660	186618
* Developed market economies	102246	118511	109527	133468	123010	133686	130576	143622	130190
** EU	89798	104151	97192	118343	109440	118578	116107	126831	114224
** EFTA	3274	4050	3559	4187	3837	3741	3858	3871	3330
* Developing economies	6299	7x44	6380	8981	8436	9676	8800	10950	9819
* European transition economies and CIS countries	39382	42552	41547	47456	41082	43588	44633	48073	43690
** CEFTA	24155	27378	26538	31463	25396	27718	27899	29615	27212
*** Slovakia	17502	19937	19132	22606	17211	18348	18238	18384	16335
* Other transition economies and economies with a state trading system	1092	1349	1553	2023	1649	1980	2140	2900	2919

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EXPORTS BY GROUP OF COUNTRIES 1995 - 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1995				1996				1997
	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	1. Q
Total exports	131521	145201	139461	158539	147193	147311	144368	156080	148299
* Developed market economies	87391	98686	91696	101561	94446	93803	91242	98658	96804
** EU	80369	91431	85059	93372	86989	86821	84347	87835	89039
** EFTA	2257	2446	2251	2697	2651	2335	2084	2577	2675
* Developing economies	7228	7302	6841	9447	8911	8729	7405	8134	6913
* European transition economies and CIS countries	36303	38338	39833	46238	42737	44179	44939	48488	43965
** CEFTA	27815	30410	29903	34585	32750	33378	33497	36371	33953
*** Slovakia	18600	19773	19055	22328	20487	21428	21113	21920	21387
* Other transition economies and economies with a state trading system	575	794	914	1127	917	471	667	656	617

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BALANCE BY SITC 1995-1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1995				1996				1997
	1. Q	1.-2. Q	1.-3. Q	1.-4. Q	1. Q	1.-2. Q	1.-3. Q	1.-4. Q	1. Q
Total balance	-17532	-42679	-62267	-95723	-27112	-68887	-110746	-160326	-38319
0 Food and live animals	-2820	-6586	-7583	-9461	-3878	-8934	-13487	-19232	-6023
1 Beverages and tobacco	-278	-246	-185	-639	-292	-218	-74	-518	-495
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	180	304	272	-269	105	259	1061	132	-1196
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-7422	-13865	-20720	-27964	-8379	-17501	-27255	-38668	-12558
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	-230	-560	-870	-1163	-290	-490	-731	-1161	-209
5 Chemicals and related products	-4872	-12978	-19026	-25808	-6586	-15631	-25127	-34736	-7847
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	13347	26444	38525	49254	9046	14748	21160	25964	5740
7 Machinery and transport equipment	-14384	-33063	-51241	-73738	-17333	-41395	-67846	-93920	-15362
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	-1085	-2203	-1499	-5912	433	70	1125	1275	-520
9 Commodities not classified	32	74	60	-23	62	205	428	538	150

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IMPORTS BY SITC 1995 - 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1995				1996				1997
	1.Q	1.-2.Q	1.-3.Q	1.-4.Q	1.Q	1.-2.Q	1.-3.Q	1.-4.Q	1.Q
Total imports	149053	319401	478450	670445	174305	363391	549618	755278	186618
0 Food and live animals	8734	18738	27106	37149	10481	21324	31230	43217	11705
1 Beverages and tobacco	1164	2325	3513	5255	1559	3206	4791	6596	2298
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	7653	15427	22176	29942	7434	14484	20769	27773	7258
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	13283	25500	38342	52483	14497	29956	46928	65592	18205
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	451	956	1469	2057	468	946	1502	2192	461
5 Chemicals and related products	18127	39499	58190	79236	20434	42866	65175	88882	22256
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	29347	64326	97547	135959	35072	72465	107668	145632	34762
7 Machinery and transport equipment	52873	115956	174916	248465	65177	137772	210394	288492	68795
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	17307	36428	54832	79325	19092	40222	60957	86646	20826
9 Commodities not classified	114	246	359	574	91	150	204	256	51

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EXPORTS BY SITC 1995 - 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1995				1996				1997
	1.Q	1.-2.Q	1.-3.Q	1.-4.Q	1.Q	1.-2.Q	1.-3.Q	1.-4.Q	1.Q
Total exports	131521	276722	416183	574722	147193	294504	438872	594952	148299
0 Food and live animals	5914	12152	19523	27688	6603	12390	17743	23985	5682
1 Beverages and tobacco	886	2079	3328	4616	1267	2988	4717	6078	1803
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	7833	15731	22448	29673	7539	14743	21830	27905	6063
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	5861	11635	17622	24519	6118	12455	19673	26924	5647
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	221	396	599	894	178	456	771	1031	252
5 Chemicals and related products	13255	26521	39164	53428	13848	27235	40048	54146	14410
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	42694	90770	136072	185213	44118	87213	128828	171596	40502
7 Machinery and transport equipment	38489	82893	123675	174727	47844	96377	142548	194572	53433
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	16222	34225	53333	73413	19525	40292	62082	87921	20306
9 Commodities not classified	146	320	419	551	153	355	632	794	201

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BALANCE BY GROUP OF COUNTRIES 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1997				
	January	February	March	Summary 1-3	April
Total	-12991	-12246	-13082	-38319	-15333
* Developed market economies	-10722	-10771	-11893	-33386	-14704
** EU	-8135	-8633	-8417	-25185	-10236
** EFTA	-94	-209	-352	-655	-270
* Developing economies	-710	-1427	-769	-2906	-587
* European transition economies and CIS countries	-749	692	332	275	910
** CEFTA	2131	2635	1975	6741	3237
*** Slovakia	1539	2196	1317	5052	2788
* Other transition economies and economies with a state trading system	-810	-740	-752	-2302	-952

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IMPORTS BY GROUP OF COUNTRIES 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1997				
	January	February	March	Summary 1-3	April
Total	59576	61856	65186	186618	75034
* Developed market economies	41404	42954	45832	130190	53432
** EU	36453	38248	39523	114224	45699
** EFTA	944	1101	1285	3330	1281
* Developing economies	2960	3531	3328	9819	3773
* European transition economies and CIS countries	14209	14441	15040	43690	16666
** CEFTA	8261	9208	9743	27212	10443
*** Slovakia	4947	5449	5939	16335	5980
* Other transition economies and economies with a state trading system	1003	930	986	2919	1163

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EXPORTS BY GROUP OF COUNTRIES 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1997					
	January	February	March	Summary 1-3	April	Summary 1-4
Total	46585	49610	52104	148299	59701	208000
* Developed market economies	30682	32183	33939	96804	38728	135532
** EU	28318	29615	31106	89039	35463	124502
** EFTA	850	892	933	2675	1011	3686
* Developing economies	2250	2104	2559	6913	3186	10099
* European transition economies and CIS countries	13460	15133	15372	43965	17576	61541
** CEFTA	10392	11843	11718	33953	13680	47633
*** Slovakia	6486	7645	7256	21387	8768	30155
* Other transition economies and economies with a state trading system	193	190	234	617	211	828

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BALANCE BY SITC 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1997					
	January	February	March	Summary 1-3	April	Summary 1-4
Total balance	-12991	-12246	-13082	-38319	-15333	-53652
0 Food and live animals	-2046	-1932	-2045	-6023	-2023	-8046
1 Beverages and tobacco	-320	-122	-53	-495	-64	-559
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	-463	-326	-406	-1196	-465	-1661
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-4576	-4132	-3850	-12558	-4633	-17192
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	-62	-70	-77	-209	-51	-260
5 Chemicals and related products	-2137	-2725	-2985	-7847	-4122	-11969
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2005	1720	2016	5740	3006	8747
7 Machinery and transport equipment	-5491	-4624	-5247	-15362	-6966	-22328
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	53	-97	-476	-520	-77	-597
9 Commodities not classified	45	63	42	150	64	213

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IMPORTS BY SITC 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1997					
	January	February	March	Summary 1-3	April	Summary 1-4
Total imports	59576	61856	65186	186618	75034	261652
0 Food and live animals	3830	3926	3949	11705	4022	15727
1 Beverages and tobacco	836	756	707	2298	844	3143
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	2191	2381	2686	7258	2954	10212
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	6437	5960	5808	18205	6539	24744
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	142	161	158	461	150	612
5 Chemicals and related products	6718	7453	8085	22256	9187	31443
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	10729	11839	12194	34762	13778	48539
7 Machinery and transport equipment	22249	22385	24161	68795	29769	98564
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	6434	6971	7421	20826	7777	28603
9 Commodities not classified	11	24	16	51	14	65

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EXPORTS BY SITC 1997

(in mil. CZK, current prices)

Indicator	1997					
	January	February	March	Summary 1-3	April	Summary 1-4
Total exports	46585	49610	52104	148299	59701	261652
0 Food and live animals	1784	1994	1904	5682	1999	157237
1 Beverages and tobacco	516	634	653	1803	780	3143
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1728	2055	2280	6063	2489	10212
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1861	1828	1958	5647	1906	24744
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	80	91	81	252	99	612
5 Chemicals and related products	4581	4728	5100	14410	5065	31443
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	12734	13559	14209	40502	16784	48539
7 Machinery and transport equipment	16758	17761	18914	53433	22802	98564
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	6487	6874	6945	20306	7699	28603
9 Commodities not classified	56	87	58	201	78	65

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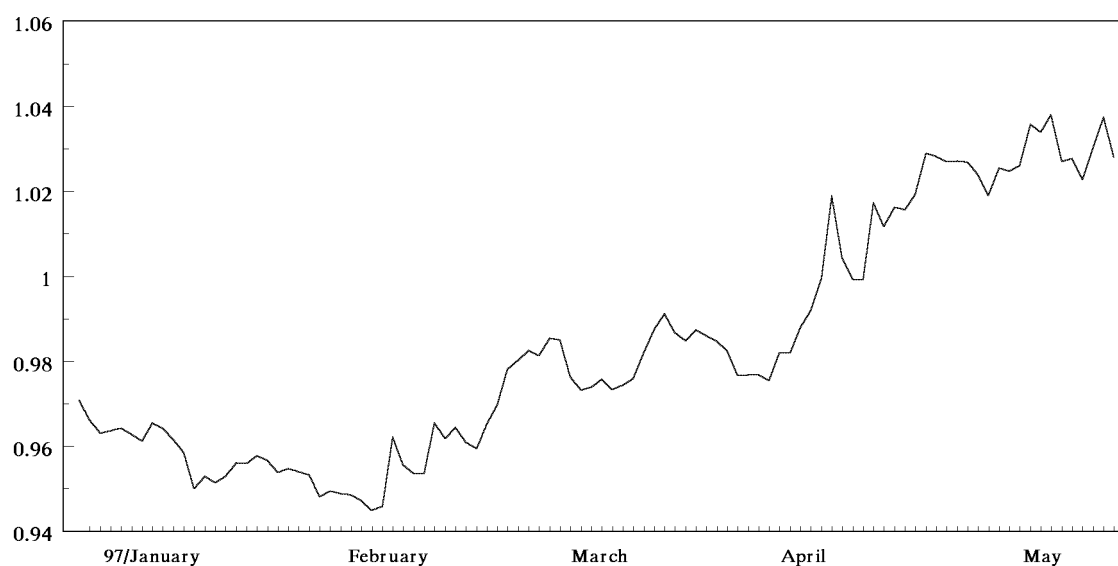
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		Month											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Exports	1995	6.8	6.9	8.8	2.1	11.7	12.6	18.0	9.2	14.8	19.9	10.3	5.8
	% oya 1996	24.1	13.9	0.9	10.4	-0.1	-4.7	9.0	1.3	0.6	-0.9	-3.7	0.1
	1997	-2.2	1.4	2.9	23.0								
Imports	1995	64.8	24.7	28.6	37.4	29.5	24.4	27.4	26.5	13.2	40.9	24.1	20.7
	1996	27.3	21.3	5.7	15.4	11.6	6.4	27.8	8.6	15.2	7.7	7.7	5.9
	1997	7.4	7.9	6.0	22.9								
Balance	1995	-5.2	-4.3	-8.0	-8.9	-8.7	-7.5	-6.8	-10.0	-2.8	-9.8	-9.3	-14.4
	bn CZK 1996	-7.9	-8.3	-10.9	-12.5	-15.5	-13.7	-17.2	-14.0	-10.7	-15.2	-16.4	-18.0
	1997	-13.0	-12.2	-13.1	-15.3								

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Chart 5
Development of the exchange rate of CZK to the currency basket^a

Per cent



^a 65 per cent of DEM and 35 per cent USD (valid to 26 May).

Source: Czech National Bank.