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NOTIFICATION

The following submission, dated 6 October 2011, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of **the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu**. The notification concerns the volume-based special safeguard (**Table MA:3**).

Table MA:3

MARKET ACCESS – The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu

Notification under Article 5 of the Agreement: special safeguard: volume-based

1. Description of product:	Pork belly
2. Tariff item number:	02031911, 02031991, 02032911, 02032991
3. Trigger level: (as calculated in Annex 1)	8,467.1 tonnes
4. Volume of imports entering territory in current period	8,479.4 tonnes
5. Period of application:	from 13 September 2011 to 31 December 2011

SPECIAL SAFEGUARD: VOLUME-BASED: Annex 1 to MA:3

Information required for the calculation of the Trigger Level

Imports in the 3 preceding years:	2007:	5,310.0 tonnes
	2008:	7,097.9 tonnes
	2009:	8,029.5 tonnes
	Average:	6,812.5 tonnes

And the import penetration is taken into account:

Consumption in the 3 preceding years:	2007:	69,032.3 tonnes
	2008:	66,656.6 tonnes
	2009:	67,629.9 tonnes
	Average:	67,772.9 tonnes

Calculation of trigger level (pursuant to Article 5 of the Agreement on Agriculture):

Import penetration	=	$6,812.5/67,772.9$
	=	10.05% (base trigger therefore equals 110%)
Trigger level	=	$(110\% \times 6,812.5 \text{ tonnes}) + (67,629.9 - 66,656.6)$
	=	8,467.1 tonnes

Where the domestic consumption is taken into account, the trigger level is 8,467.1 tonnes.
