Addendum 1: Summary of Agricultural and Industrial Product Entry Commitments:

Tariff Reductions and Measures for Reducing Non-Tariff Barriers

1. Average nominal tariff rates for agricultural and industrial products after accession, by year.

Unit: %

Year Product category	2001	2002 (year of accession)	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Extent of reduction
Agricultural (Chapters 1-24)	20.02	14.01	13.67	13.33	13.18	13.03	12.88	12.87	12.87	12.87	12.86	35.76
Industrial (Chapters 25-97)	6.03	5.78	5.03	4.28	4.22	4.16	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	31.17
All products (Chapters 1-97)	8.20	7.08	6.40	5.71	5.64	5.56	5.54	5.53	5.53	5.53	5.53	32.56

The above tariff rates are calculated according to Uruguay Round classification, and exclude rice products, tariff rate quotas, specific duty, etc.

* The overall decrease in customs duty from 2001 to 2011.

Source: Department of Customs Administration, Ministry of Finance.

Explanation:

- 1. Among countries with a similar level of economic development, Taiwan lies between Japan and South Korea in the extent of agricultural product tariff reductions.
- 2. Industrial products with a tariff rate of 10% or lower: 84% of all industrial products in 2001, maintained at 84% in 2002, and increased to 92% by 2011. The ratio of all industrial products not subject to any tariff will increase from 17% in 2001 and 2002 to 33% in 2011.

- 3. The Zero to Zero Program from the Uruguay Round negotiations: In accordance with Taiwan's accession commitments, duty rates on pharmaceuticals, paper, steel, construction equipment, agricultural equipment, medical equipment, furniture, and toys will be reduced to zero on January 1, 2004; the duty rate on beer will be reduced to zero in 2005, and on tequila in 2011.
- 4. The Chemical Harmonization Program: Under this program, chemical products are divided into three categories, with fixed tariffs applied at the rate of 6.5% to final products, 5.5% to intermediate products, and 0% to raw materials and pharmaceutical products. Taiwan began to implement this Program upon accession, and will complete the reduction of tariffs to the specified rates by January 1, 2006.
- 5. The Information Technology Agreement (ITA): When it signed the ITA in March 1997, Taiwan committed to a four-phase reduction of tariffs to zero, by 2000, for information products such as data processors, semiconductors, electronics components, and equipment for semiconductor manufacturing, as well as telecommunication products such as telephones and wireless fax machines. It also committed to reducing tariffs to zero on 15 additional items, including switching devices, in 2002.
- 6. Textile products: Following negotiations, the bound rates for silk, yarn, and unbleached woven fabrics were raised to 4% (part 1.9%), 4%, and 7.5% respectively (from their original rates of 1.25%, 3%, and 5%). But in consideration of the domestic industry situation and the elasticity for upward adjustment of rates in effect, after accession they will be adjusted to 1.5%, 4%, and 7.5%, respectively. For finished garments (which were mostly subject to a 12.5% duty prior to accession), except for a minority of items on which the duty will be reduced in yearly stages to 10.5%, the duty on all the others will be reduced to 12%.
- 7. Prior to accession, imports of small cars and goods vehicles (including small passenger sedans, station wagons, small car chassis, and goods vehicles of gross weight not exceeding 3.5 metric tons and their chassis) were subject to area restrictions. After accession, the area restrictions are replaced by a system of tariff quota rates (TQR), with gradual market opening leading to the removal of the TQR on January 1, 2011. Prior to accession, tariff rates ranged between 30% and 42%; after accession, the rate within quotas will be reduced from 29% in the first year (2002) to

- 17.5% in 2010, and the rate outside quotas will be reduced from 60% to 17.5% over the same period. In 2001, after the removal of the TQR system, the rate of duty will be 17.5%.
- 8. The 37% duty levied on large passenger vehicles prior to accession will be reduced to 25% in 2008. The duty on automobile components will be reduced from 14.5% to the committed rate of 8.9% in 2004.

2. Agricultural Product Tariff Reduction Commitments and Import Control Relaxation Measures

(1) Tariff reduction commitments for important agricultural products, processed foods, and tobacco and alcohol products (not including products subject to tariff rate quotas):

	Description	Bound rate at date of accession	Final bound rate
Meat & its	Meat of bovine animals:	NT\$20.00/KGM NT\$23.8/KGM NT\$24.00/KGM	2004: All reduced to NT\$10/KGM
preparat	Meat of swine:	15% 14%	2004: All reduced to 12.5%
i o n s	Meat of sheep or goats	15% or NT\$11.30/KGM, whichever is higher	

	Description	Bound rate at date of accession	Final bound rate
	Trout:		
	Fresh or cold-stored	20%	2007:15%
Ħ	• Frozen	20%	2004:15%
1 S	Pacific salmon:		
h &	Fresh or cold-stored	20%	2007:10%
& i	• Frozen	15%	2004:10%
t s	Skipjack bonito	25%	2004 : 20%
pro	Cod	15%	2004:12.5%
e p a	Lobsters	20% or NT\$45.10/KGM, whichever is	2004: 15% or NT\$33.70/KGM, whichever is
r a		higher	higher
t i o	Preparations:		
n s	• Salmon	15%	
	• Tuna	17%	2007:15%
	• Caviar	12. 5%	
	• Lobsters	20%	
D a	Condensed milk:		
i r y	Not containing added sugar or	20%	
prod	other sweetening matter		
u c	Containing added sugar or other	50%	2004:30%
t s	sweetening matter		

	Description	Bound rate at date of accession	Final bound rate
	Yogurt:	15%	
	Butter, cheese	5%	
	Vegetables	20% to 25%	
Ve	Edible fruit:		
89	• Oranges:		
t a	March to September	20%	
b 1 e	Other	30%	
8	• Lemons (Citrus limon, Citrus		
e	limonum) and limes (C+C1899itrus	15%	
d i b	aurantifolia):	30%	
1 e	January to September		
fr	Other		
u i	Grapefruit:		
t,	January to September	15%	
a n	Other	30%	
р	 Grapes, apples, peaches and 	20%	
t h e	strawberries		
1 r	Cherries	7.5%	
рr	Grapes, dried (raisins)	NT\$2.00/KGM	
e p	 Vegetables, prepared or preserved 	20%	
a r	by vinegar or acetic acid		
a t i	 Vegetables and mixtures of 	20% to 30%	
o n	vegetables of subheading		
S	No.2004.90 preserved by sugar		
	(drained, glace or crystallized)		

	Description	Bound rate at date of accession	Final bound rate
	Canned sweet corn	13%	
	Orange jam and marmalade	20%	
	Peanut butter	25%	
	Edible fruits, prepared or preserved	15% to 30%	
	Coffee:		
Coffee	 Non-roasted and 	Duty free	
fee	non-decaffeinated		
&	• Other	3%	2007: duty free
tea	Tea:		
	Partly fermented tea	25% or 22%	
G	Cereals:		
Grain and milling industry	• Rye, barley, maize (corn), and	Duty free	
andı	grain sorghum	2%	
	• Oats		
ng in	Milled products:		
dustr	Wheat flour	20%	2004: 17.5%
3	• Maize (corn) flour	6%	
<u>Q.</u>	Oil seeds:		
l seed	• Sesamum (sesame) seeds	12%	
ds an	Rape seeds, sunflower seeds, and	Duty free	
Oil seeds and edible	safflower seeds		

	Description	Bound rate at date of accession	Final bound rate
	Edible oils:		
	Soya-bean oil, sunflower-seed oil, safflower seed oil, and maize (corn) oil	5%	
	Olive oil	4%	2007: duty free
	Sugar confectionery		
Sug	Chewing gum	22%	2007: 20%
Sugar confectionery and biscuits	Other sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	27.5%	
y and biscuits	• Other chocolate preparations (packaged weight not exceeding 2 kg)	12.5%	2007: 10%
	Biscuits	25%	
Ę	Fruit juices:		
Fruit juices and	Orange juice	25%	2007: 20%
uices	• Other	20%	
and	Mineral waters	5%	
beverages	Aerated waters, not containing added	7%	2007: 5%
rage	sugar or other sweetening matter nor		
Š	flavoured		
	Tobacco products:		
Tobacco	Unmanufactured tobacco	17%	2007: 13%
acco	Cigars of tobacco or of tobacco substitutes	20%	

Description	Bound rate at date of accession	Final bound rate	
Alcoholic products:			
• Tequila	25%	2011: duty free	
• Rice Wine (Mijiu)	40%		

Source: Department of Customs Administration, Ministry of Finance.

(2) Relaxation of import controls

1. After accession, import controls or area restrictions on 41 agricultural products will be relaxed:

Description	Situation after	Method of implementation
	relaxation	
Rice	Quantitative	Importation to commence upon accession, with the import quantity for
	import	the first year set at 8% of the yearly amount of domestic
	restriction	consumption in the base period (1990~1992), i.e. 144,720 tons. Of
		this quantity, 35% will be imported by the private sector and 65% by
		the government. Price markup measures will be adopted.
Sugar; Peanuts; Red beans; Garlic bulbs, dried;	Tariff rate	• Low tariffs will be applied to imports within quotas, with the rates
Shiitake (forest mushrooms), dried; Day lily, dried;	quotas	reduced to approximately half of pre-accession levels. After
Areca (betel) nuts; Coconuts; Oriental pears;		accession, the quota amounts for most items will constitute 4% to
Shaddock; Lungngans, dried, and lungngan pulp;		8% of domestic consumption volume. Outside the quotas, high
Bananas; Pineapples; Mangoes; Persimmons;		tariffs will be applied, with the rates set in accordance with
Mackerel; Herrings; Carangids; Pork belly;		calculation of the difference in prices at home and abroad during the
Chicken; Liquid milk; Edible offal of animals: 22		base period, and the result of Taiwan's negotiations with other
items in total.		countries. Import volume will not be restricted.
		• Special safeguard measures can be adopted for the following 14
		items: sugar, peanuts, red beans, dried garlic bulbs, dried shiitake
		(forest mushrooms), dried day lily, betel nuts, oriental pears,
		shaddock, persimmons, pork belly, chicken, liquid milk, and edible

		offal of animals.
Longans; Litchis; Oranges; Lemons and limes;	Free	Domestic production of these items is relatively small or already
Grapefruits; Grapes; Peaches; Plums; Apples; Other	importation	possesses competitive advantage. Most will be subject to a tariff of
mandarin oranges (tangerines); Potatoes; Papaws		approximately 20% to 30%.
(papayas); Other oranges; Guavas; Whole ducks; Meat		
of turkeys, cut in pieces; Meat of ducks, cut in pieces;		
Squid: 18 items in total.		

2. Quantitative import restrictions, tariff rates and quota allocation method for rice and products manufactured from rice:

Description	Tariff rate	Quota quantity	Quota allocation method
Rice: Paddy, unpolished rice, white rice, milled rice and related rice products (including coarse husked rice cereal and fine cereal).	0%		Private sector importation on the
Food products manufactured from rice: As listed under Chapters 11, 18, 19, and 21 of the Customs Import Tariff and Classification of Import and Export Commodities, manufactured products with rice content not less than 30% of the whole (excluding instant congee, rice paper, and rice crackers).	15% to 30%	144,720 metric tons in 2002 (calculated on a brown rice basis)	basis of "first apply, first allocated", and with price markup measures.

3. TRQ tariff rates and quantities for agricultural and fishery products:

		Tariff rate and quantity						
Description	2002 (year	of accession)	20	003	2004		Quota allocation	
1	Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)	Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)	Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)	- method	
Pork belly	15.00%	6,160	13.70%	10,780	12.50%	15,400		
Chicken	25.00%	19,163	22.50%	32,577	20.00%	45,990		
Edible offal of swine	25.00%	10,000	20.00%	18,750	15.00%	27,500		
Edible offal of domestic fowl	25.00%	1,836	25.00%	2,754	25.00%	3,672	First apply, first allocated	
Deer velvet (Cervi parvum cornu)	22.50%	1.5	22.50%	3	22.50%	5		
Oriental pears	18.00%	4,900	18.00%	7,350	18.00%	9,800		
Bananas	12.50%	5,335	12.50%	9,337	12.50%	13,338		
Red beans	22.50%	1,500	22.50%	2,000	22.50%	2,500	Calaadand	
Liquid milk	15.00%	10,649	15.00%	15,974	15.00%	21,298	- Sales tender, allocation	
Peanuts	25.00%	2,618	25.00%	3,927	25.00%	5,235	once a year	

		Tariff rate and quantity						
Desc	cription	2002 (year c	of accession)	20	03	2004		Quota allocation
1		Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)			Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)	method
Garlic bulbs	Garlic bulbs for planting	0.00%	1,844	0.00%	2,682	0.00%	3,520	Sales tender, allocation once to four times a
	Other garlic	22.50%		22.50%		22.50%		year
Dried shiitake		25% or NT\$110/KGM, whichever is higher	115	25% or NT\$110/KGM, whichever is higher	202	25% or NT\$110/KGM, whichever is higher	288	Sales tender, allocation once to four times a year
Dried day lily		22.50%	40	22.50%	71	22.50%	101	
Coconuts		15% or NT\$0.9/KGM, whichever is higher	8,000	15% or NT\$0.9/KGM, whichever is higher	9,000	15% or NT\$0.9/KGM, whichever is higher	10,000	
Betel nuts		17.50%	4,412	17.50%	6,618	17.50%	8,824	
Pineapples	3	15.00%	9,548	15.00%	16,709	15.00%	23,870	
Mangoes		25.00%	5,120	25.00%	8,938	25.00%	12,755	
Fresh shaddock		25.00%	1,720	25.00%	3,010	25.00%	4,300	
Fresh persimmons	s	25.00%	576	25.00%	1,008	25.00%	1,440	
Longan		15.00%	110	15.00%	220	15.00%	330	
Sugar	Brown sugar	12.50%	120,000	12.50%	162,500	162 500	205,000	
Sugui	Refined sugar	17.50%	120,000	17.50%		17.50%	203,000	

	Tariff rate and quantity						
Description	2002 (year o	of accession)	20	03	20	04	Quota allocation
-	Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)	Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)	Tariff rate	Quantity (metric tons)	method
Mackerel	20% or NT\$6.2/KGM, whichever is higher	4,522.5	20% or NT\$6.2/KGM, whichever is higher	6,030	20% or NT\$6.2/KGM, whichever is higher	7,537.5	
Carangids	25.00%	1,308	25.00%	2,290	25.00%	3,271	
Herrings	20% or NT\$38.1/KGM, whichever is higher	1,906.5	20% or NT\$38.1/KGM, whichever is higher	2,860	20% or NT\$38.1/KGM, whichever is higher	3,813	Sales tender, allocation once to four times a year

4. For pork belly, chicken, swine offal, poultry offal, shaddock, mackerel, carangids, and herrings, TRQs will be eliminated between 4 and 7 years after accession, to be replaced by free importation:

Description	Elimination of TRQ and open importation	Bound rate
Pork belly		12.5%
Chicken	January 1, 2005	20%
Edible offal of swine	January 1, 2005	15%
Edible offal of domestic fowl		25%
Shaddock	January 1, 2008	35%

	Mackerel (Scomber scombrus, Scomber australasicus,	January 1, 2008	30% or NT\$9.3/KGM, whichever is
	Scomberjaponicus), fresh or chilled	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	higher
	Mackerel (Scomber scombrus, Scomber australasicus,		25% or NT\$7.3/KGM, whichever is
	Scomberjaponicus), frozen		higher
Ma	03026993: Mackerel, fresh or chilled;		
Mackerel	03037993: Mackerel, frozen;		
el el	03042060: Mackerel fillets, frozen;		
	03053010: Mackerel fillets, dried, salted or in brine, but not smoked;		30%
	03056940: Mackerel, salted or in brine;		
	16041510: Mackerel, whole or in pieces, but not minced, prepared or preserved,		
	frozen		
	03026992: Carangid fishes, fresh or chilled		42.5%
Carangids	03037992: Carangid fishes, frozen		50%
ang	03042050: Horse mackerel fillets, frozen;		
jids	16041920: Carangid fishes, whole or in pieces, but not minced, prepared or		40%
	preserved, frozen.		
	03035000: Herrings (Clupea harengus, Clupea pallasii), frozen;		
	03042042: Herrings fillets, frozen;		
He	03056100: Herrings (Clupea harengus, Clupea pallasii) salted or in brine;		25%
Herrings	16041210: Herrings, whole or in pieces, but not minced, prepared or preserved,		
ıgs	frozen		
	03055941: Herrings or other sardines, small fish, dried		30% or NT\$57.2/KGM, whichever is higher

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03024000: Herrings (Clupea harengus, Clupea pallasii), fresh or chilled, excluding livers and roes; 03026100: Sardines (Sardina pilchardus, Sardinops spp.), sardinella (Sardinella spp.), brisling or sprats (Sprattus sprattus);	
03037100: Sardines (Sardina pilchardus, Sardinops spp.), sardinella (Sardinella	
spp.), brisling or sprats (Sprattus sprattus), frozen;	
03042041: Sardine fillets, frozen;	
03054950: Other sardines, smoked;	30%
03055950: Dried sardines, whether or not salted, but not smoked;	
03056300: Anchovies (Engraulis spp.), salted or in brine;	
16041310: Sardines, sardinella whole or in pieces, but not minced, prepared and	
preserved;	
16041320: Brisling or sprats whole or in pieces, but not minced, prepared and	
preserved;	
16041600: Anchovies, whole or in pieces, but not minced, prepared or preserved	

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3. Tariff reduction commitments and reduction of non-tariff barriers for industrial products.

Tariff		Non-tariff measures		
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments	
(a) Aerospace industry				
Under Chapter 88 of the Customs Import Tariff, all main aircraft imports are already duty free. Also under the same provision, it is stipulated that material for aircraft building and repair is duty free subject to the agreement of the	Civil Aircraft, tariffs on the items within its scope must be reduced		After accession and upon becoming a signatory to the Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft, must abide by the related WTO rules.	
responsible authorities.				
(b) Machine industry				
Approximately 5%	 Construction and agricultural machinery covered by the Zero to Zero Program will become subject to zero tariff in 2004. Most other items of 	domestic machinery & equipment is offset at 20% and	After accession, the investment credit rates for the purchase and installation of domestic and imported automation machinery & equipment will be amended to a single uniform rate. Also, in line	

Tariff		Non-tariff measures	
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments
	machinery will be subject to		with the aforementioned
	duty of 5% or less.		amendment, the exemption from
			import duty of domestic
			non-manufacturing equipment
			under Chapters 84, 85 and 90 of
			the Customs import Tariff are
			abolished upon accession.
(c) Steel industry	,		
Approximately 0~12%	• For part of items covered by		
	the Zero to Zero Program (steel		
	plates, sheets, bars, pipes and		
	other intermediate products),		
	tariff to be reduced to zero in		
	2004.		
	• Most other items to be subject		
	to duty of not more than		
	10%.		
(d) Automobile industry			

Tariff		Non-tariff measures		
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments	
• Passenger cars: 30%	• Passenger cars: reduced to	• Area restrictions.	• After accession, area	
• Buses or trucks: 42%	17.5% in 2010.	• Local content regulations.	restrictions are replaced by	
	· Buses or trucks: reduced to	• 3% commodity tax offset on	TRQs. In the first stage	
	25% in 2008.	locally designed automobile	(2002~2006), a tariff of 60%	
		bodies, engines and chassis.	will be levied outside quotas;	
		Ban on the manufacture and	in the second stage (starting	
		importation of diesel	2007), the tariff will be halved	
		passenger cars.	to 30%. Within quotas, the	
			tariff will be reduced gradually	
			from 29% in 2002 to 17.5% in	
			2010. With effect from 2011,	
			TRQs will be eliminated.	
			After accession, local content	
			regulations are eliminated.	
			• After accession, the 3%	
			commodity tax offset on	
			locally designed automobile	

Tai	riff	Non-tariff measures		
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments	
(e) Motorcycle industry			bodies, engines and chassis is eliminated (with no new applications accepted, and validity of existing cases adjusted to three years). • Two years after accession, the market will be opened to import of diesel passenger cars.	
25%	According to product classification, tariff to be reduced to 18% in 2006 and 20% in 2004.	 Area and local content restrictions. Restricted importation of motorcycles larger than 150cc. 3% commodity tax offset on locally designed motorcycle bodies, engines and chassis. 	 After accession, area and own content restrictions are removed. Six months after accession, the market will be opened to importation of motorcycles larger than 150cc. After accession, the 3% commodity tax offset on 	

Tariff		Non-tariff measures	
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments
			locally designed automobile
			bodies, engines and chassis is
			eliminated (with no new
			applications accepted, and
			validity of existing cases
			adjusted to three years).
(f) Heavy electric industry			
• Generators: approx. 10~12%	• Generators: reduced to 8.5~10	• Purchase and installation of	After accession, the investment
• Transformers: approx. 7.5~14	%	domestic machinery &	allowance rates for the
%	• Transformers: Reduced to 5~10	equipment is offset at 20% and	purchase and installation of
• Electric motors: approx.	%	imported machinery &	domestic and imported
1.25~12%	• Electric motors: Reduced to	equipment at 10%.	automation machinery &
• Switching equipment: approx.	1.25~10%		equipment will be amended to
5~14%	• Switching equipment: Reduced		a single uniform rate.
	to 2.5~10%		Signature of Agreement on
			Government Procurement.
(g) Domestic appliance industry			
• Air-conditioners: 15%	Air-conditioners: Reduced to		None
• Refrigerators: 5~10%	8~10%		
• Washing-machines: 6~12.5%	• Refrigerators: Reduced to 4~8		

Ta	riff	Non-tariff	f measures
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments
• Lighting fixtures: 5~10%	%		
	Washing-machines: Reduced to		
	3~10%		
	Lighting fixtures: Reduced to		
	3.4~7.5%		
(h) Electronics and information			
industry			
Under 5%	Taiwan is already a signatory to		None
	the Information Technology		
	Agreement (ITA). Tariffs on		
	most information and		
	communication products were		
	reduced to zero in 2000.		
	Tariffs on switching and other		
	communication products are		
	also reduced to zero in 2002.		
(i) Petrochemical industry			
0-5%	0-5%. For most items covered		None
	by the Chemical Harmonization		

Tariff		Non-tariff measures	
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments
	Program, tariffs were reduced to		
	below their respective ceilings		
	(0%, 5.5%, or 6.5%) in 2001;		
	only a small minority of items		
	still require tariff reduction.		
(j) Plastic products industry			
5%	5%. For items covered by the		None
	Chemical Harmonization		
	Program, tariffs were reduced to		
	below the ceiling of 6.5% in		
	2001.		
(k) Pharmaceutical industry			
0~12.5%	For items covered by the Zero to		None
	Zero Program, tariffs to be		
	reduced to zero in 2004.		
(l) Truck and car tire industry			
15%	Reduced to 10% in 2004.		None
(m) Textile industry			
• Man-made filaments: 1.25%	• Man-made filaments: 4%		None

Tariff		Non-tariff measures	
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments
 Man-made yarn: 3% Woven fabrics, unbleached: 5% Finished cloth: 10% Apparel: 12.5% 	 (partially 1.9%) Man-made yarn: 4% Woven fabrics, unbleached: 7.5% Finished cloth: 10% 		
(n) Food processing industry	• Apparel: Reduced in yearly stages to 10.5~12.5%		
 (n) Food processing industry Average nominal tariff on agricultural products: 20.02% Average nominal tariff on processed foods (Chapters 15 to 23 of the Tariff Regulations): 20.84% 	 After implementation of the tariff reduction program, the average nominal tariff on agricultural products will be 12.86%. Average nominal tariff on processed foods (Chapters 15 to 23 of the Tariff Regulations): 14.02% 	 A stabilization fund system is still in place for wheat and flour. Granulated sugar: Subject to import controls, with only Taiwan Sugar Corp. permitted to import limited amounts on a special case basis. The tariff on refined sugar is 35% and on brown sugar 25%. Liquid milk: Subject to import controls. 	 The Council of Agriculture will abolish the Wheat Import Stabilization Fund. Granulated sugar: Adoption of tariff and tariff rate quota measures. Within quotas, the duty on refined sugar set at 17.5% and on brown sugar at 12.5%. Outside quotas, the duty to be reduced from 168% in year of accession to 143% in 2004.

Tariff		Non-tariff measures	
2001	Accession commitments	2001	Accession commitments
			• Liquid milk: Adoption of tariff
			and tariff rate quota
			measures.

Note: The above rates of duty are as set down in the Customs Import Tariff.

Addendum 2: Commitments for Opening the Government Procurement Market

Taiwan is committed to becoming a signatory of the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement, and to carry out its obligations under the Agreement to open up the domestic government procurement market.

I. Main Features of the Agreement

1. Procuring entities and procurement covered by the Agreement:

The Agreement stipulates that the Parties to the Agreement must open procurement that is (a) made by central government entities, sub-central government entities, and other entities that are controlled or influenced by the government; (b) of goods, services, and construction services above certain threshold values; (c) the which entities, procurement items, and applicable thresholds are listed in Appendix 1 of the Agreement.

2. National treatment and non-discrimination principles:

In respect of the procurement covered by the Agreement, Parties to the Agreement are required to give the products, services (including construction services) and suppliers of any other Party to the Agreement treatment "no less favorable" than that they give to their domestic products, services and suppliers, and not to discriminate among goods, services and suppliers of other Parties. Furthermore, each Party is required to ensure that its entities do not treat a locally-established supplier less favorably than another locally-established supplier on the basis of degree of foreign affiliation or ownership and do not discriminate against a locally-established supplier on the basis of country of production of the good or service being supplied.

3. Rules governing procurement procedures:

The Agreement stipulates tendering and award procedures, with detailed provisions to govern such matters as the content of announcements of invitation to tender, minimum deadlines for the submission of tenders, technical specifications, qualification of suppliers, and mode of award. All Parties to the agreement must abide by the provisions of the Agreement in conducting government procurement activities that fall within its scope.

4. Dispute settlement mechanism:

If a Party to the Agreement considers that it has suffered loss or damage

as the result of another Party's failure to carry out its obligations under the Agreement, it may request consultation with that Party and notify the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) of the WTO. The DSB can establish a panel to consider the complaint and, after following stipulated procedures and completing deliberation within a limited timeframe, issue a recommendation or ruling.

5. Obligation to provide information:

Parties are required to publish in specified publications all laws, regulations, judicial decisions, administrative rulings of general application and any procedures regarding government procurement covered by the Agreement. As a further element of transparency under the Agreement, each government must collect and provide to the other Parties on an annual basis, through the Committee, statistics on its procurement covered by the Agreement.

6. Exclusions:

Procurement of arms, ammunition, and war materials for the protection of basic security interests, or procurement indispensable to national security or national defense purposes, may be excluded from the ambit of the Agreement, and information about such procurement need not be disclosed. Also, the enforcement of measures necessary to protect public morals, order or safety, human, animal or plant life or health, or intellectual property, or relating to the provision of services of handicapped persons, of philanthropic institutions, or of prison labor, may be excluded from the obligations of the Agreement.

7. Mutual non-applicability:

If a Party to the Agreement does not agree to the mutual application of the Agreement between itself and another specified Party, it can make a declaration to this effect at the time of accession to the Agreement. If Parties consider that the opening of their markets to each other does not accord with the principle of mutual benefit, and wish to exclude the mutual applicability of the Agreement to specified items of procurement, they may include a condition to this effect in the Appendix of the Agreement at the time of accession.

II. Outline of the Scope of Taiwan's Government Procurement Market Opening

1. Procuring entities:

In the central government, the 32 procuring entities covered by the Agreement include the Presidential Office and the Executive Yuan. Sub-central government entities listed in the Agreement include the Provincial Government and the Taipei and Kaohsiung City Governments. Other entities covered are 66 public enterprises and academic institutions, including Taiwan Power Company, China Petroleum Corporation, and National Taiwan University.

2. Threshold values:

For contracts for procurement of goods and services by central government entities, the threshold value is SDR130,000 (SDR: special drawing rights); for contracts for procurement of goods and services by sub-central government entities, the threshold value is SDR200,000; for contracts for procurement of goods and services by other entities, the threshold value is SDR400,000. For contracts for procurement of construction services by any of the above entities, except those of the central government with a value of SDR5 million and above, the threshold value in the first year after accession to the Agreement will be SDR15 million; in the second year, it will be reduced to SDR10 million; and in the third year, it will be reduced to SDR5 million, which is the general standard applied to other Parties to the Agreement. Though during negotiations among Parties to the Agreement, it was agreed that the IMF's SDR would be adopted as the standard unit of account, in practice when carrying out the Agreement domestically, each Party converts valuation to its own national currency, and notifies the WTO Government Procurement Committee accordingly. After conversion of the threshold values to the domestic currency, each Party agrees to a review and adjustment thereof once every two years. (The current provisional rate of conversion for Taiwan is SDR1.00 = NTD41.98.)

3. Procurement items:

- (1) Goods: Except for items listed for exclusion by the Ministry of Defense and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and electric power and transportation services, as well as items stipulated in the Agreement as excluded, all other goods are within the scope of market opening.
- (2) Construction services: All construction items come within the scope of

market opening.

(3) Services: A positive listing approach is adopted, with listed items, including legal, accountancy, banking, insurance, and other services, all opened.