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COMMUNICATION FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC CONCERNING ANNEX III, PARAGRAPH 2, OF THE AGREEMENT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE VII OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE 1994

The following communication, dated 31 May 2001, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic.

The Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations at Geneva presents its compliments to the Market Access Division of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and has the honour to inform it that the Government of the Dominican Republic has decided to request a reservation, pursuant to Annex III, paragraph 2, of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 (Customs Valuation Agreement), regarding the application by Dominican customs of minimum values to a limited number of products, for a transitional period.

Attached is the list of products, under 31 tariff subheadings, for which we wish to retain minimum values up to 1 July 2003.

PROPOSAL BY THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

List of Products for which Minimum Values are Requested up to 1 July 2003

Tariff heading	Description of product	Source	Criteria and/or specifications	% (*)
0402.21.10	Milk and cream	SNZ	Monthly average prices, f.o.b., New Zealand	1.08
1006.30.00	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	Bangkok (Reuter) FAO	White rice 10%, weekly prices FAOSTAT database (Spanish)	0.62
22.04.21.00	Alcoholic beverages and wine	UK Spain	List of average prices issued by the Associations of Whisky and Wine Exporters	0.44
22.08.30.10				1.57
2523.10.00	Cement clinkers	Export price list	<u>Average f.o.b. prices:</u> according to the tariff subheading. Average by category. Average exchange rate used. Reliability to be verified using the deductive method.	0.59
2523.29.00				0.78
2710.00.79	Lubricating oils			0.46
3923.90.00	Plastics (articles of)			0.58
3926.90.90				0.44
4011.20.00	Pneumatic tyres (used)	Export price list	<u>Average f.o.b. prices:</u> according to the tariff subheading. Average by category. Average exchange rate used. Reliability to be verified using the deductive method.	0.55
4818.40.90	Diapers and sanitary towels			1.03
6908.10.00	Ceramic products			0.74
7212.30.00	Products of iron or non-alloy steel	Export price list	<u>Average f.o.b. prices:</u> according to the tariff subheading. Average by category. Average exchange rate used. Reliability to be verified using the deductive method.	2.51
7214.10.00				0.54
7308.30.00	Articles of iron or steel			2.21
7308.90.90				3.71

Tariff heading	Description of product	Source	Criteria and/or specifications	% (*)
7326.90.90	Air conditioning machines, refrigerators and washing machines	Glass's Guides NADA JAAI B.T.T	Glass's Guides – applied to European vehicles NADA – Guide of the National Automobile Dealers Association JAAI – Guide of the Japanese Automobile Appraisal Institute Big Truck Trader (BTT) - Guide to the valuation of industrial equipment	0.41
8415.81.00				0.45
8450.11.00				0.56
8517.11.00	Sound reproducers			0.54
8528.12.00				1.10
8703.22.99	Motor vehicles, tractors and parts thereof (used)			0.69
8703.23.19				4.66
8703.23.99				7.17
8703.24.99				0.59
8703.31.99				2.27
8704.21.10				1.19
8704.22.90				0.62
8704.31.10				1.14
8704.90.10				0.54
8711.20.19				0.44

Methodology: International prices on recognized, permanent, transparent and price-forming markets. Simple arithmetic average of the information over the most recent two-week period.
Where the information source is the Exchange, the first closing price is taken.

(*) Percentage share of total customs receipts.

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