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NOTIFICATION

The following revised notification on domestic support commitments (Table DS:1 and relevant supporting tables) for 1995 was received from the Permanent Mission of Venezuela on 24 September 1997.

Table DS:1

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Venezuela

REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Total AMS commitment level for period in question	Currency	Current total AMS(*)
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached supporting tables)
1	2	3
1,287,221	Thousands of US\$	541,784.05

(*) Bs 180 for US\$1 (average exchange rate for 1995).

Source: Central Bank of Venezuela, Monthly Bulletin No. 623. December 1995.

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Venezuela

REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment - "Green Box"

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (Bs)	Data sources
1	2	3	4
General services	Research: allocation of resources for management, research, personnel and projects	1,444,443,991	1 and 2
General services	Education and training: agricultural extension activities	556,192,855	3 and 1
General services	Irrigation and drainage: studies, planning, construction and maintenance of irrigation and drainage works	1,124,384,730	1
General services	Collection centres and markets: planning, technical assistance, construction and fitting out of public markets and collection centres	297,386,000	1 and 4

Supporting Table DS:1

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Venezuela

REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment - "Green Box"

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (Bs)	Data sources
1	2	3	4
Domestic food aid	Food allowance: programme to cover nutritional deficiencies of poor school children by a monthly monetary allowance	37,196,600,000	5
Domestic food aid	Milk allowance: programme to cover nutritional deficiencies of poor school children by a monthly allowance of 1 kg. powdered milk/pupil/month	29,527,828,000	5
Domestic food aid	Cereal allowance: programme to cover nutritional deficiencies of poor school children through a cereal product allowance	15,019,534,000	5
Domestic food aid	Mother and infant food programme (PAMI): food programme for poor pregnant and nursing women by providing milk on mother and infant medical visits	11,778,000,000	6 and 7

1. Ministry of Agriculture. Sectoral Directorate General of Planning and Policies. Budget Division.
2. National Fund for Agricultural Research.
3. Fund for Training and Applied Research in Agricultural Reform.
4. Agricultural Supply and Services Corporation (CASA).
5. Ministry of Education. 1995 Budget Law.
6. Ministry of Health and Social Welfare (MSAS). 1995 Budget Law.
7. Mother and Child Programme Foundation (PAMI).

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Venezuela

REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment - Special and Differential Treatment - "Development Programmes"

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6:2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (Bs)	Data sources
1	2	3	4
Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture	Agricultural interest rate (commercial banks): Set by the Central Bank of Venezuela at 85% of the average of commercial rates of the country's six main banks	15,900,000,938	1
Long-term investment credit as a second-tier institution	Agricultural interest rate (Agricultural Credit Fund): 84% of the average of the commercial rate of the country's six main banks	2,923,000,000	1 and 2
Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture	Rural interest rates: interest rates set at 7% for rural loans granted by the Agricultural Credit Institute (ICAP), a State finance institution	1,278,000,000	3 and 4
Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture	Tax exemption for producers for net gains from primary agricultural activities	11,981,000,000	5

1. Central Bank of Venezuela. Venezuelan Banking Association (ABV).
2. Agricultural Credit Fund (FCA).
3. Agricultural Credit Institute (ICAP).
4. Ministry of Agriculture. Sectoral Directorate General of Planning and Policies. Budget Division.
5. Integrated National Tax Administration Service (SENIAT).

Supporting Table DS:4

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Venezuela

REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Description of basic product (including non-product-specific AMS)				Current total AMS (aggregate) (\$)
	1	2	3	
		Product-specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:9 below)	Product-specific measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8 below)	
White maize (corn)		128,107,076		128,107,076
Yellow maize		17,150,931		17,150,931
Rice		95,271,723		95,271,723
Milk		7,046,590		7,046,590
Coffee		20,757,106		20,757,106
Tomatoes		678,499		678,499
Certified seeds		15,747,200		15,747,200
Sorghum		57,884,083		57,884,083
Irrigation water				199,140,845
			Current total AMS	541,784,053

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Venezuela

REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support

Description of basic products	Calendar / marketing year beginning ...	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price (\$/TM)	External reference price (\$/TM)	Eligible production (TM)	Associated fees/levies	Total market price support (\$)	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
							((4-5*6)-7)	
White maize (corn)	1995	Minimum price	250	128	1,050,058	0	128,107,076	1, 2, 5
Yellow maize	1995	Minimum price	250	103	116,673	0	17,150,931	1, 2, 5
Rice	1995	Minimum price	289	161	744,957	0	95,271,723	1, 2, 5
Milk	1995	Minimum price	326	321	1,409,318	0	7,046,590	1, 2, 5
Coffee	1995	Minimum price	2,844	2,544	69,088	0	20,757,106	1, 2, 5
Tomatoes	1995	Minimum price	139	136	234,865	0	678,499	1, 3, 5
Certified seeds	1995	Minimum price	583	210	42,180	0	15,747,200	1, 3, 4, 5
Sorghum	1995	Minimum price	211	96	502,854	0	57,884,083	1, 2, 5

1. Ministry of Agriculture. Sectoral Directorate General of Agricultural Marketing.

2. Board of the Cartagena Agreement (JUNAC).

3. Tomato Industry Association (ASOINTOMATE).

4. FAO. Trade Year Book 1988.

5. Average international prices for the period 1986-1988.

Supporting Table DS:7

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Venezuela

REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Other Product-Specific Support and Total Product-Specific AMS

Description of basic product	Calendar / marketing year beginning ...	Measure type(s)	Other product-specific budgetary outlays	Other product specific support (include calculation details)	Associated fees/levies	Total other product-specific support	Market price support (Supporting Table DS:5)	Non-exempt direct payments (Supporting Table DS:6)	Total AMS	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 (4+ 5-6)	8	9	10 (7+ 8+ 9)	11
White maize (corn)	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	128,107,076	0	128,107,076	1 and 2
Yellow maize	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	17,150,931	0	17,150,931	1 and 2
Rice	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	95,271,723	0	95,271,723	1 and 2
Milk	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	7,046,590	0	7,046,590	1 and 2
Coffee	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	20,757,106	0	20,757,106	1 and 2
Tomatoes	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	678,499	0	678,499	1 and 3
Certified seeds	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	15,747,200	0	15,747,200	1, 3 and 4
Sorghum	1995	Minimum price	0	0	0	0	57,884,083	0	57,884,083	1 and 2

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REPORTING PERIOD: 1995

Non-Product-Specific AMS

Measure type(s)	Calendar / marketing year beginning ...	Non-product-specific budgetary outlays	Other non-product-specific support (include calculation details) (\$)	Associated fees/levies	Total non-product-specific support (\$)	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other support Irrigation water subsidy	1995		199,140,845 (3)		199,140,845	1 and 2

1. Ministry of Agriculture. Sectoral Directorate General of Agricultural Infrastructure.

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3. Method of calculation: Price applied to governmental irrigation systems (0.0000694 \$/m³) minus the average B tariff for water for industrial use charged in Venezuela during 1995 (0.22037 \$/m³) multiplied by the volume of water supplied by governmental irrigation systems during 1995. Calculations made at exchange rate of 180 Bs/\$. Official Gazette of the Republic of Venezuela of 1 March 1993.

NB:

1. During 1995 subsidies were not applied to concentrated feedstuff fertilizers.

2. This support measure refers only to existing governmental irrigation systems in Venezuela.