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NOTIFICATION

The following notification concerning domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1**) for the calendar year **2001** was received from the delegation of **Israel** on 12 March 2003.

Table DS:1

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Israel**REPORTING PERIOD: calendar year 2001***Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support*

Total AMS commitment level for 2000	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
594,486	'000 US\$	259,117

Notes

The figures specified in the notification are in US\$ and in conformity with Israel's Schedule of Commitments. The exchange rate used is NIS 4.21/US\$ (rounded) and is the average for the year 2001.

Values have been rounded, therefore slight inaccuracies may occur.

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Israel**REPORTING PERIOD: calendar year 2001***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 2001 (^{'000 US\$})	Data Sources
1	2	3	4
(a) General Services			
(i) Agriculture Research Center	Improvement of production potential, diversification of agro-industry and post harvest processes.	61,632	
	General operation	12,116	Budget book
	Infrastructure investments	1,111	Budget book
	Research centres and facilities operations	46,292	Budget book
	Research funds	2,114	Budget book
(ii) Chief Scientist Research Fund	Provide grants to agriculture research.	11,748	
	General operation for research	10,845	Budget book
	"Kemah" fund – Agriculture Chief Scientist Fund	788	Budget book
	Agriculture by the Tora (Bible)	114	Budget book
(iii) General Ministry of Agriculture Operations	Provision of overall management of the Ministry of Agriculture, including specialised administrative service.	31,091	Budget book
(iv) Services Provided for Farmers		47,893	
	Plant protection services	6,798	Budget book
	Veterinary services	18,478	Budget book
	Inspection and training	1,471	Budget book
	Soil conservation and drainage department	1,803	Budget book
	Fire blight prevention	143	Budget book
	Brucellosis prevention	0	Budget book

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in 2001 (‘000 US\$)	Data Sources
1	2	3	4
	National park protection authority	1,544	Budget book
	Pasture authorities	350	Budget book
	Marketing promotion	397	Budget book
(v) Mediterranean Fruit Fly Project	Eradication of the fruit fly in the Arava.	1,434	Budget book
(vi) Extension Services	Distribution of information, farmers training and technical assistance.	15,094	Budget book
(vii) New Plants Program	Promotion of pilot projects and demonstration projects.	380	M.O.A.
(b) Public Stockholding for Food Security Purposes		15,609	
(i) Cereal Reserve	To insure a reserve for three months of cereal for emergency purposes.	7,004	Budget book
(ii) Melah	To insure a reserve of foodstuff for emergency purposes.	8,605	Budget book
(d) Decoupled Income Measures		4,437	
(i) Galilee Law substitute payments	Payment for poultry meat producers in the Galilee area (notification G/AG/N/ISR/17)	4,437	M.O.A
(f) Payments for Relief from Natural Disasters		47,735	
(i) Natural Disaster Insurance Fund	Government allowance in the Natural Disaster Insurance Program.	17,586	Budget book
(ii) Advances for claims on Insurance Fund	Advance payment to farmers not covered by the insurance policy.	16	Budget book
(iii) Natural Disaster Compensation	Payment to farmers not covered by the insurance policy.	1,182	Budget book
(iv) Natural Disaster Operations	Operation cost of the administration.	16	Budget book
(v) Water cuts payments	Compensation for cut in water supply to farmers (notification G/AG/N/ISR/17)	28,935	Budget book
(g) Structural Adjustment through Producer Retirement Programme		0	
(i) Autonomy Agreement	Payment to retired producers of vegetables as a result of the Oslo Agreement.	0	Budget book

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in 2001 (‘000 US\$)	Data Sources
1	2	3	4
(k) Regional Assistance Programmes		133,317	
(i) Rural Department Agreement	Specific measure to Kibbutzim and Moshavim.	98,162	Budget book
(ii) New Settlement Infrastructure	Specific measure to New Kibbutzim.	33,556	Budget book
(iii) Border Settlements Program	Payment to farmers that were affected from "sour grapes" operation	1,140	M.O.A.
(iv) Clean Arava Project	A project to clean the Arava area from pesticides (a part of the Mediterranean Fruit Fly Project)	458	Budget book
Total		353,462	

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Supporting Table DS:4

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Israel

REPORTING PERIOD: calendar year 2001

Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Description of basic products (including non-product-specific AMS)	Product-specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:7 below)	Product-specific measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8 below)	Total AMS	Value of production 2001	Current total AMS as a percentage of value of production	Current Total AMS
	'000 US\$	'000 US\$	'000 US\$	'000 US\$	(<i>de minimis</i> = 10%)	'000 US\$
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Cotton	0		0	44,893	0.00%	-
Wheat	3,545		3,545	63,135	5.61%	-
Vegetables	8,698		8,698	422,755	2.06%	-
Fruits other than citrus	3,563		3,563	515,558	0.69%	-
Citrus fruits	1,663		1,663	174,537	0.95%	-
Flowers	4,569		4,569	178,147	2.56%	-
Eggs	48,300		48,300	107,838	44.79%	48,300
Meat of poultry	2,819		2,819	127,981	2.20%	-
Meat of bovine animals	2,665		2,665	290,166	0.92%	-
Milk	210,817		210,817	411,283	51.26%	210,817
Non-product-specific AMS (from Supporting Table DS:9)	52,484		52,484	3,311,401	1.58%	-
Total						259,117

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Israel**REPORTING PERIOD: calendar year 2001***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support*

Description of basic products	Calendar year beginning 1.1.2001	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price US\$/tonne	External reference price (generally from AGST/...) US\$/tonne	Eligible production '000 tonnes	Associated fees/levies	Total market price support '000 US\$	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 ((4-5*6)-7)	9
Tomatoes		Absorption of surplus	79.74	257	10.9		-	1
Cucumbers		Absorption of surplus	101.99	333	2.0		-	1
Onions		Absorption of surplus	-	208	-		-	1
Potatoes		Absorption of surplus	55.49	303	23.5		-	1
Eggs		Production quotas and guaranteed minimum price	0.068	0.043	1,510,000		38,369	2
Meat of poultry		Production quotas	1,737.12	1,354	0		-	2
Milk		Production quotas and guaranteed minimum price	335	157	1,174		208,655	2
Total							247,024	

1. Israel Central Bureau of Statistic and Vegetable Board.
2. Israel Central Bureau of Statistic.

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Israel**REPORTING PERIOD: calendar year 2001***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Non-Exempt Direct Payments*

Description of basic product	Calendar year beginning 1.1.2001	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price	External reference price (generally from AGST/...)	Eligible production	Total price- related direct payments '000 US\$	Other non- exempt direct payments '000 US\$	Associated fees/levies	Total direct payments '000 US\$	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ((4-5)*6))	8	9	10 (7+8-9)	11
Cotton		Safety net					-		-	M.O.A.
Wheat		Local grain aid					3,070		3,070	
		Investment program					475		475	
Vegetables		Deficiency payment					242		242	
		Investment program					8,456		8,456	
Fruits other than Citrus		Re-plantation program					3,563		3,563	
		Investment program					-		-	
Citrus fruits		Investment program					1,663		1,663	
Flowers		Investment program					4,569		4,569	
		Loan aid					-		-	
Eggs		Deficiency payment					1,715		1,715	
		"Galilee law"					8,215		8,215	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ((4-5)*6))	8	9	10 (7+8-9)	11
Meat of poultry		Deficiency payment					180		180	
		"Galilee law"					2,308		2,308	
		Investment program					333		333	
Meat of bovine		Investment program					832		832	
		Herd aid					1,833		1,833	
Milk		Dairy farm reform					2,162		2,162	
Total							39,614		39,614	

Supporting Table DS:7

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Israel**REPORTING PERIOD: calendar year 2001***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Other Product-Specific Support and Total Product-Specific AMS*

Description of basic product	Calendar year beginning 1.1.2001	Measurement 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 product-specific AMS	Data sources
							'000 US\$	'000 US\$	'000 US\$	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 (4+5-6)	8	9	10 (7+8-9)	11
Cotton							-	-	-	M.O.A.
Wheat							-	3,545	3,545	
Vegetables							-	8,698	8,698	
Fruits other than citrus							-	3,563	3,563	
Citrus fruits							-	1,663	1,663	
Flowers							-	4,569	4,569	
Eggs							38,369	9,931	48,300	
Meat of poultry							-	2,819	2,819	
Meat of bovine animals							-	2,665	2,665	
Milk							208,655	2,162	210,817	
Total							247,024	39,614	286,638	

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: Israel**REPORTING PERIOD: calendar year 2001***Non-Product-Specific AMS*

Measure type(s)	Calendar year beginning 1.1.2001	Non-product-specific budgetary outlays '000 US\$	Other non-product specific support (include calculation details)	Associated fees/levies	Total non-product- specific support '000 US\$	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6 (3+4-5)	7
Investment Aids:						
Law for the Encouragement of Investment in Agriculture		2,134			2,134	M.O.A.
Water supplier support		50,350			50,350	Budget book
Total					52,484	