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The following revised agriculture schedules have been received from the Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Trade of the Republic of Albania.

Table DS:1

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Total AMS commitment level for period in question (from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	Currency ¹ : Leke (1,000) (from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	Current Total AMS (1,000 leke) (from attached Supporting Tables)
1996:		
Total product-specific support -- market price support: Flour for bread.	-4,400 leke	
Total non-product-specific support -- non-exempt direct payments: none.	0 leke	
Total other product-specific support: none.	0 leke	Total AMS: 1,574,461 leke
Total green box support:	1,578,861 leke	
1997:		
	0 leke	
Total product-specific support -- market price support: none.		
Total non-product-specific support -- non-exempt direct payments: none.	0 leke	
	0 leke	
Total other product-specific support: none.	1,602,750 leke	Total AMS: 1,602,750 leke
Total green box support:		
1998:		
	0 leke	
Total product-specific support -- market price support: none.		
Total non-product-specific support -- non-exempt direct payments: none.	0 leke	
	0 leke	
Total other product-specific support: none.	1,564,442 leke	Total AMS: 1,564,442 leke
Total green box support:		

Note: ¹ The value of the exchange rate for the respective years are as follows: US\$ 1 = 104.50 leke; US\$ 1 = 149.10 leke; US\$ 1 = 151.50 leke.

Table DS:1

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment -- "Green Box"

Measure type and subcategory of measure as defined in Annex 2 ¹	Monetary value of measure in year in question (1,000 Leke ²)			Data sources ³
	1996	1997	1998	
(a) "General services"				
Research services	33,000	38,800	46,000	MAF; MES
Training services	780	400	1,000	MAF
Extension and advisory services	14,200	13,100	21,000	MAF
Inspection services	157,000	148,400	175,000	MAF
Infrastructural services	685,600	329,000	611,000	MAF
Total general services	890,580	529,700	854,000	
(b) "public stockholding for food security purposes"	⁴	375,000	30,970	MAF
(c) "domestic food aid"	0	0	0	MAF
(d) "decoupled income support"	0	0	0	MAF
(e) "income insurance and income safety-net programs"	0	0	0	MF
(f) "payments for relief from natural disasters"	9,000	22,500	0	MAF
(g) "structural adjustment assistance through producer retirement programs"	0	0	0	MAF
(h) "structural adjustment assistance through resource retirement programs"	0	0	0	MAF
(i) "structural adjustment assistance through resource investment aids"	38,500	40,000	33,500	MAF
(j) "environmental programs"	18,500	85,500	50,000	MAF
(k) "regional assistance programs"	0	0	0	MAF
(l) "other programs"	622,281	550,050	595,972	MAF
Total Domestic Support: "Green Box"	1,578,861	1,602,750	1,564,442	

Notes: ¹ A description of each the measures follows this page.

² The value of the exchange rate for the respective years is: US\$ 1= 104.50 leke; US\$ 1 = 149.10 leke; US\$ 1 = 151.50 leke. The data presented are budget data but represent actual expenditures. The Ministry of Agriculture and Food's expenditures cannot exceed the appropriations provided in the budget.

³ MAF refers to the Ministry of Food and Agriculture; MF refers to the Ministry of Finance; and MES refers to the Ministry of Education and Science.

⁴ The expenditures reported in 1997 is the total amount spent for 1996 and 1997.

Table DS:1 (continued)

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment -- "Green Box"

Measure type by subcategory as defined in Annex 2	Descriptions of the "green box" programs
(a) "General services" Research services Training services Extension and advisory services Inspection services Infrastructural services	Research expenditures funded 12 scientific institutions such as universities, technical institutions, and other institutions involved in primary scientific investigation. Expenditures on training services were for funding an agricultural mechanization school. Expenditures for extension and advisory services consist of funding for an agricultural information center and for a veterinary project for pest and diseases control. Inspection services include expenditures to fund diagnostic veterinary services, diagnostic agricultural services, control services include veterinary, food and seed control, and for chemicals used in agricultural laboratories for food/vet control. Infrastructural services provided funding for water supply facilities (e.g., drainage and pumping station), the restoration of rural infrastructure, restoration of irrigation systems and the small-scale irrigation schemes throughout the country that are provided by the water enterprises.
(b) "Public stockholding for food security purposes"	The GOA has maintained grain reserves. The budget data reflects storage costs, transportation and other marketing costs. The grain reserves maintained by the government of Albania do not affect prices, because the grain is sold by auction and quantities kept under state reserves account for less than one percent of total domestic requirements. Moreover, the quantity kept under state reserves is being reduced as a commitment taken in the framework of the Enhanced Structural Adjustment Facilities (ISAF) program of the IMF.
(c) "Domestic food aid"	There are no (and have never been any) programs for domestic food aid.
(d) "Decoupled income support"	There are no (and have never been any) programs involving decoupled income support.
(e) "Income insurance and income safety-net programs"	There are no (and have never been any) programs involving income insurance and income safety-nets.
(f) " Payments for relief from natural disasters"	This is extraordinary intervention in the form of direct payments to producers for relief from natural disasters (e.g., in times of severe flooding). In 1998, there were no disaster relief payments made.

Measure type by subcategory as defined in Annex 2	Descriptions of the "green box" programs
(g) "Structural adjustment assistance through producer retirement programs"	There are no (and have never been any) adjustment assistance programs of this sort.
(h) "Structural adjustment assistance through resource retirement programs"	There are no (and have never been any) adjustment assistance programs of this sort.
(i) "Structural adjustment assistance through resource investment aids"	Structural adjustment assistance through resource investment in agriculture has taken two forms: (1) a land registration program following the land privatization process and (2) the creation of a market for land to facilitate the consolidation of ownership of land and physical holdings (i.e., other immovable assets). In addition, there is an agribusiness development project funded by the World Bank, IDA, for the development of agro-processing sector through a credit system.
(j) "Environmental programs"	Includes environmental protection and conservation measures of the following types: dams for rivers to avoid flooding, to prevent brush fires, soil erosion, and the salination of land, etc.
(k) "Regional assistance programs"	There are no (and have never been any) regional assistance programs.
(l) "Other programs"	Other programs consist of projects associated with central- and district-level administration which provide general services including the commission of land (i.e., involving ownership related matters such as the privatization of agricultural enterprises) and for dispute settlement cases (including cases involving joint venture arrangements with foreigners when there are dispute settlement issues pending). The general services provided for the commission of land are to assist in covering court costs associated with land settlement, land ownership, and privatization issues. There are also costs associated with maintaining the remaining state-owned assets and/or former state enterprises (e.g., flour mills, machinery stations, milk processing, etc.).

Table DS:2

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Measures Exempt from the Reduction Commitment -- Special and Differential Treatment - "Development Programs"

Type of Measure	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6:2	Monetary value of year of measure (1,000 Leke)			Data sources
		1996	1997	1998	
(a) "Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture"	There are no (and have not been any) investment subsidies that are generally available, except for international projects (e.g. IFAD and the World Bank). These programs have involved irrigation systems in low-land fields (World Bank) and small-scale irrigation systems (IFAD) in the higher elevations throughout Albania. These are the programs that are discussed in item (i) of Supporting Table DS:1.	0	0	0	MAF
(b) "Input subsidies generally available to low-income or resource-poor producers"	Water for irrigation at subsidized rates has been provided to producers, but the program was permanently discontinued in June 1998.	300.00	271.20	339.00	MAF
(c) "Support to encourage diversification from growing illicit narcotic crops"	There are and have not been any diversification program of this type.	0	0	0	MAF

Table DS:3

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Measures Exempt from the Reduction Commitment -- Direct Payments under Production-limiting Programs - "Exempt Direct Payments"

Type of Measure	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6:5	Monetary value of year of measure (1,000 Leke)			Data sources
		1996	1997	1998	
(a) "Payments based on fixed area and yields"	There are no (and have never been any) payments made based on a fixed area or yields.	0	0	0	MAF
(b) "Payments based on 85 percent or less of the base level of production"	There are no (and have never been any) payments based on a level of production.	0	0	0	MAF
(c) "Support to encourage diversification from growing illicit narcotic crops"	There are no (and have not been any) payments based on the number of head of livestock.	0	0	0	MAF

Table DS:4

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

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)	Current Total AMS (aggregate)
Calendar Year 1996:			
(a) "Product-specific support"			Total support for flour (from supporting tables DS:5 to DS:8):
Product: Flour for bread (75%) ¹	-4.40	0.00	-4.40
(b) "Non-product-specific support"			Total non-product-specific (from supporting table DS:9 below)
None.	0.00	0.00	0.00
			Total: Current total AMS:
			-4.40
Calendar Year 1997:			
(a) "Product-specific support"			Total product-specific support (from supporting tables DS:5 to DS:8 below):
None.	0.00	0.00	0.00

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)	Current Total AMS (aggregate)
(b) "Non-product-specific support"			Total non-product-specific (from supporting table DS:9 below)
None.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Calendar Year 1998:			Total: Current total AMS:
(a) "Product-specific support"			Total product-specific support (from supporting tables DS:5 to DS:8 below):
None.	0.00	0.00	0.00
(b) "Non-product-specific support"			Total non-product-specific (from supporting table DS:9 below):
None.	0.00	0.00	0.00
			Total: Current total AMS:
			0.00

Note: ¹ The policy of administering a price ceiling for bread flour was discontinued in July 1996.

Table DS:5

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support

Description of basic products	Calendar year beginning	Types of measures	Applied administered price (leke/kg)	External reference price (leke/kg)	Eligible production (kg)	Associated fees or levies	Total market price support ((4-5*6)-7)	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Calendar Year 1996:								
Products:								
Flour for bread (75%) ¹	January	Price ceiling	29.60	34.00	1,000,000	0.00	-4.40	MAF
Calendar Year 1997:								
Products:								
None.	Discontinued.	No measure	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF
Calendar Year 1998:								
Products:								
None.	Discontinued.	No measure	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF

Note: ¹ The policy of administering a price ceiling for bread flour was discontinued in July 1996.

Table DS:6

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Non-Exempt Direct Payments

Description of basic products	Calendar year beginning	Types of measures	Applied administered price (leke/kg)	External reference (generally from AGST/..)	Eligible production	Total price- related direct payments	Other non- exempt direct payments	Associated fees or levies	Total direct payments (7+8-9)	Data Sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Calendar Year 1996:

Products:

None.	January	No measure	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	MAF
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Calendar Year 1997:

Products:

None.	January	No measure	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	MAF
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Calendar Year 1998:

Products:

None.	January	No measure	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	MAF
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Table DS:7

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

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

Description of basic products	Calendar year beginning	Types of measures	Other product- specific budgetary outlays	Other product- specific support (include details)	Associated fees or levies	Total other product- specific support	Market price support (supporting table DS:6)	Non-exempt direct payments (supporting table DS:6)	Total AMS (7+8-9)	Data Sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Calendar Year 1996:

Products:

None.	January	No measure	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF
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Calendar Year 1997:

Products:

None.	January	No measure	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF
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Calendar Year 1998

Products:

None.	January	No measure	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF
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Table DS:8

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Product-Specific Equivalent Measurements of Support

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Table DS:9

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support

Types of Measures	Calendar year beginning	Non-product- specific budgetary outlays	Other non- product-specific support (include details of calculation)	Associated fees or levies	Total non-product- specific support	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1996: None.	January	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF
1997: None.	January	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF
1998: None.	January	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	MAF

Table ES:1

EXPORT SUBSIDIES: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Export Subsidies: Budgetary Outlay and Quantity Reduction Commitments

Description of products (from Section II of Part IV)	Calendar year beginning	Subsidized Exports		Food Aid	Annual commitment levels (from Section II of Part IV)	
		Budgetary outlays	Quantity	Quantity	Budgetary outlays	Quantity
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1996: None.	January	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
1997: None.	January	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
1998: None.	January	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0

Additional commitment: The Republic of Albania is binding its export subsidies for agricultural products at 0% at the time of accession.

Table ES:2

EXPORT SUBSIDIES: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Export Subsidies: Notification of Total Exports

Description of Products 1	Calendar year beginning 2	Quantity 3
1996: Albania never used export subsidies.	January	0
1997: Albania never used export subsidies.	January	0
1998: Albania never used export subsidies.	January	0

Additional commitment: The Republic of Albania is binding the quantity of exports of agricultural products that are subsidized 0 metric tons at the time of accession.

Table ES:3

EXPORT SUBSIDIES: REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
REPORTING PERIOD: Calendar Years, 1996-98

Export Subsidies: Notification of the Total Volume of Food Aid

Description of Products	Calendar year beginning	Quantity of food aid to all destinations
1	2	3
1996: Albania did not provide food aid to any country.	January	0
1997: Albania did not provide food aid to any country.	January	0
1998: Albania did not provide food aid to any country.	January	0

Additional commitment: The Republic of Albania has not provided food aid; however, Albania commits to provide food aid with methods consistent with the rules of the WTO. Supporting tables ES:1 and ES:2 are not relevant in the case of Albania and are not included.