

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

RESTRICTED

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## NOTIFICATION

The following notification concerning the volume-based special safeguard (Table MA:3) was received from the delegation of **Japan** on 8 March 1996.

Table MA:3

### MARKET ACCESS - JAPAN

Notification under Article 5 of the Agreement: special safeguard: volume-based

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| 1. | Description of product:                                    | Raw silk   |
| 2. | Tariff item numbers:                                       | 5002.00-221, 5002.00-222, 5002.00-223, 5002.00-226,<br>5002.00-227 |
| 3. | Trigger level:<br>(as calculated in Annex 1)               | 1,605 tonnes   |
| 4. | Volume of imports entering<br>territory in current period: | 1,652 tonnes   |
| 5. | Period of application:                                     | from March 1, 1996 to March 31, 1996                               |

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<sup>1</sup>This document cancels and replaces the document dated 14 March 1996.

## SPECIAL SAFEGUARD: VOLUME-BASED: Annex 1 to Table MA:3

## Information required for the calculation of the Trigger Level

Imports in the 3 preceding years:	1992:	1,560	tonnes
	1993:	1,484	tonnes
	1994:	1,543	tonnes
	Average:	1,529	tonnes

Consumption in the 3 preceding years:	1992:	6,884	tonnes
	1993:	6,270	tonnes
	1994:	5,625	tonnes
	Average:	6,260	tonnes

Note: Taking into account the absolute volume change in domestic consumption of the product concerned from 1993 to 1994, the trigger level is set at 105 per cent of the average quantity of imports mentioned above, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Article 5 of the Agreement on Agriculture. Its calculation is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1,605 \text{ tonnes} &= 105\% \times 1,529 \text{ tonnes} \\
 &> 110\% \times 1,529 \text{ tonnes} + (5,625 \text{ tonnes} - 6,270 \text{ tonnes})
 \end{aligned}$$

(Since market access opportunities (defined as imports as a percentage of the corresponding domestic consumption during the three preceding years) for the product are 24 per cent, the base trigger level for the product concerned equals 110 per cent).