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NEWS BACKGROUND NOTE

**COMMON MARKET TRADE FIGURES: 1958 - 1965**

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7 -- The world's biggest traders, the United States and the European Economic Community, share the spotlight in Geneva, where the Kennedy Round negotiations in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) are nearing conclusion. The EEC sold \$29.4 billion worth of goods to other countries last year, slightly more than the U. S.'s \$29.2 billion. The Common Market bought \$30.7 billion in goods from abroad -- about \$5 billion more than the U. S. imported in 1966.

Following are some general trade figures indicating the scope of EEC trade and showing the Common Market's trade growth from 1958 through 1965, during which time EEC imports from the U. S. more than doubled.

**GROWTH OF EEC'S INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL TRADE**  
\$ millions

	<u>Imports</u>	<u>Exports</u>	<u>Internal Trade</u> <span style="float: right;">(Imp + Exp)</span>
1958	16,156.1	15,910.7	16,634.3
1965	28,562.1	27,079.1	41,247.2
1966	30,735	29,411.6	46,157

**EEC AND US IMPORTS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES COMPARED**  
\$ millions

	<u>EEC</u>	<u>USA</u>
1958	6,824	5,778
1965	10,522	7,068
1966	11,312	7,700

**GROWTH OF EEC'S IMPORTS FROM VARIOUS AREAS BY PRODUCT**  
\$ millions

		<u>World</u>	<u>Developing Countries</u>	<u>EFTA</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>Eastern Europe</u>
<b>Total</b>	1958	16,156	6,824	3,608	2,808	789
<b>Of which:</b>	1965	28,562	10,522	6,894	5,687	1,776
<b>Food, beverages and tobacco</b>	1958	4,020	2,308	504	395	153
	1965	6,220	2,887	748	1,120	421
<b>Fuels and Lubricants</b>	1958	2,773	1,994	76	530	167
	1965	4,510	3,714	112	343	267
<b>Primary goods</b>	1958	4,777	1,951	792	740	177
	1965	6,785	2,677	1,156	948	433
<b>Manufactured goods</b>	1958	4,457	550	2,175	1,130	176
	1965	10,492	1,206	4,680	2,804	395

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EEC IMPORTS OF SELECTED AGRICULTURAL GOODS  
\$ millions

		<u>Total</u>	<u>from USA</u>
Total	1958	7,356.0	888.8
	1965	10,576.5	1,721.9
Poultry	1958	29.8	2.8
	1965	52.6	26.4
Butter	1958	10.5	--
	1965	27.1	13.8
Wheat	1958	244.3	52.5
	1965	269.0	73.2
Rice	1958	29.5	2.5
	1965	29.3	9.9
Barley	1958	134.5	49.0
	1965	121.9	34.2
Corn	1958	189.4	52.2
	1965	624.0	80.0
Other Grains	1958	94.5	43.7
	1965	158.2	102.8
Citrus Fruits	1958	<del>178.0</del> NO	4.2
	1965	<del>271.9</del> NO	9.4
Apples	1958	28.3	6.7
	1965	53.3	2.2