

THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

The following memorandum outlines relations between the European Community and the People's Republic of China.

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CHINA AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

Background

The interest China has shown in the development of the European Communities goes back to the early 1970s. Over the past few years the Chinese press has followed this development with growing interest. A number of *New China* articles have given favourable reports on the various 'summits' and Community policy *vis-à-vis* developing countries has been analysed with particular attention.

The Chinese authorities' interest in the Community has taken concrete form at diplomatic level. Since the opening of a Chinese Embassy to the Kingdom of Belgium, Chinese diplomats have had informal meetings with Commission officials in order to learn about the way in which the Commission works and about its internal and external development. In October 1973 correspondents from the *New China* press agency were accredited to the Commission Spokesman.

Apart from strictly political aspects, matters of a technical nature have also prompted a strengthening of contacts between the People's Republic of China and the Community. Bilateral trade agreements between Member States and China were due to expire at the end of 1974, in accordance with decisions taken by the Community institutions regarding introduction of a joint trade policy. Thus, in November 1974, the Community sent a memorandum to the People's Republic of China and also to other State-trading countries, together with an outline agreement setting down broad guidelines which might serve as a basis for negotiating a potential trade agreement between China and the Community.

Following up this contact, early in 1975, the Chinese Embassy, acting on behalf of the Chinese Institute for External Relations, invited Sir Christopher Soames, the then Vice-President of the Commission with Special Responsibility for External Relations, to make an official visit to China.

Sir Christopher Soames, accompanied by senior Commission officials, visited China from 4 to 11 May 1975.

During the talks that the Vice-President had with the Chinese authorities, the Chinese Government announced its decision to establish official relations with the Community as such and to appoint an ambassador to the Community.

At the same time the Chinese authorities expressed their intention of studying, in a favourable light, the Commission's proposal that a suitable trade agreement be negotiated between the two parties to replace the bilateral agreements that had expired. During the actual visit it even proved possible to hold an initial exchange of views on various aspects of this agreement both at ministerial level and at the level of the officials.

At the European Parliament session in June 1975 Sir Christopher Soames expressed his satisfaction with the results of his visit to Peking and his feeling that trade with China would offer the Community considerable possibilities in the long term.

On 15 September 1975, Ambassador Li Lien-Pi, Head of the Diplomatic Mission of the People's Republic of China to the EEC, presented his credentials to the President of the Council of Ministers and to the President of the Commission of the European Communities.

At the start of January 1976, China repeated its intention of beginning preparations for negotiations with a view to concluding a trade agreement.

Preparatory discussions then started between the two parties. These, however, were to remain of a purely technical, unofficial nature. The talks were left in abeyance between February 1976 and February 1977.

At the end of February 1977 the People's Republic of China's second Ambassador to the Community, Mr Huan-Hsiang, informed Vice-President Haferkamp, Commissioner responsible for external relations, that his country was ready to continue as soon as possible the preparatory technical talks concerning conclusion of a trade agreement between the two parties.

On 28 March 1977 the Chinese authorities invited the Commission to send representatives to China in July in order to continue the exploratory discussions.

A Commission delegation visited China from 4 to 13 July 1977 for exploratory talks with the Chinese Government with a view to a trade agreement. The Commission delegation was received by Mr Li Chiang, the Minister of Trade.

The negotiations begun in Brussels on 30 January 1977, were completed on 3 February 1977 and a trade agreement was initialled.

The Agreement between the People's Republic of China and the European Community

The official signing ceremony took place on 3 April 1978 when Mr Li Chiang was visiting Brussels. The Agreement was signed on the Community's behalf by Mr K.B. Andersen, President of the Council, and Mr Wilhelm Haferkamp, Vice-President of the Commission. It came into force on 1 June 1978.

Concluded for a period of five years with tacit renewal every year, the Agreement is of a non-preferential nature and defines a number of rules aimed at promoting development of trade.

The two parties will apply most-favoured-nation treatment as far as tariffs are concerned.

An equilibrium clause (Article 3) makes provision for both parties to contribute, each according to its means, towards achieving equilibrium in their trade and, in the event of obvious imbalance, for the Joint Committee to study ways of remedying the situation.

The People's Republic of China undertakes to consider Community imports in a favourable light and the Community will institute an increasing degree of liberalization for imports of Chinese origin. This is the first time such a clause has been agreed upon.

According to the Chinese authorities, their country's target would consist in progressively increasing trade with the nine EEC countries until it reached a comparable level to that of its trade with Japan, China's main trading partner.

During the negotiation period discussions focused chiefly on the 'amicable consultation clause' (Article 5). Whilst reaffirming the principle of recourse to amicable consultations in the event of difficulties concerning trade, both parties agreed that 'each party may take unilateral measures in exceptional cases where the situation will not permit any delay'.

The provisions of Article 6 are aimed at promoting visits by individuals, groups and delegations from the economic, commercial and industrial spheres, at facilitating trade and contacts and at encouraging organization of fairs and exhibitions.

The Agreement contains a price clause (Article 7) specifying that trade in goods and services will be effected at prices in line with the markets.

The Agreement is managed by a Joint Committee (Article 9) which will normally meet once a year.

Conclusions

At the signing ceremony Mr W. Haferkamp, Vice-President, stressed the Agreement's importance not only for economic reasons but also for political reasons.

'The Agreement bears witness to the positive attitude adopted by the People's Republic of China toward the political union of European nations. The People's Republic of China has approved European integration and has seen this integration as an essential factor in strengthening world peace.

The European Community expresses its satisfaction at China's opening up towards Europe.'

'The Agreement', Mr Haferkamp confirmed, 'marks the start of a development which will be of benefit to both parties. Europe could contribute towards China's technical and economic development, thereby improving the possibilities open to it for strengthening its economy and increasing its standard of living.'

Mr Haferkamp's present visit to China marks a new phase of relations between the Community and the People's Republic of China and the beginning of the operation of the Agreement.

A particularly noteworthy point is that the mission includes prominent figures from industrial, economic and social life in the Community.

TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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of 2 May 1978

concerning the conclusion of the Trade Agreement between the European
Economic Community and the People's Republic of China

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community, and in particular Article 113
thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the
Commission,

Whereas the Trade Agreement between the European
Economic Community and the People's Republic of
China, signed in Brussels on 3 April 1978 should be
concluded,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The Trade Agreement between the European
Economic Community and the People's Republic of
China is hereby approved on behalf of the Commu-
nity.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member
States.

Done at Brussels, 2 May 1978.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Regula-
tion.

Article 2

The President of the Council shall give the notifica-
tion provided for in Article 11 of the Agreement (1).

Article 3

The Community shall be represented on the Joint
Committee provided for in Article 9 of the Agree-
ment, by the Commission, assisted by representatives
of the Member States.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day
following its publication in the *Official Journal of
the European Communities*.

For the Council

The President

K. B. ANDERSEN

(1) The Agreement came into force on 1 June 1978

TRADE AGREEMENT

between the European Economic Community and the People's Republic of China

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

and

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA,

DESIRING to develop economic relations and trade between the European Economic Community and the People's Republic of China on the basis of equality and the mutual advantage of the two Contracting Parties and to give a new impetus to their relations,

HAVE DECIDED TO CONCLUDE THIS AGREEMENT THE TERMS OF WHICH ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The two Contracting Parties will endeavour, within the framework of their respective existing laws and regulations, to promote and intensify trade between them.

To this end they confirm their determination:

- (a) to take all appropriate measures to create favourable conditions for trade between them;
- (b) to do all they can to improve the structure of their trade in order to diversify it further; and
- (c) to examine, each for its own part and in a spirit of goodwill, any suggestions made by the other Party, in particular in the Joint Committee, for the purpose of facilitating trade between them.

Article 2

1. In their trade relations the two Contracting Parties shall accord each other most-favoured-nation treatment in all matters regarding:

- (a) customs duties and charges of all kinds applied to the import, export, re-export or transit of products, including the procedures for the collection of such duties or charges;
- (b) regulations, procedures and formalities concerning customs clearance, transit, warehousing and transshipment of products imported or exported;
- (c) taxes and other internal charges levied directly or indirectly on products or services imported or exported;
- (d) administrative formalities for the issue of import or export licences.

2. Paragraph 1 of this Article shall not apply in the case of:

- (a) advantages accorded by either Contracting Party to States which together with it are members of a customs union or free trade area;
- (b) advantages accorded by either Contracting Party to neighbouring countries for the purpose of facilitating border trade;
- (c) measures which either Contracting Party may take in order to meet its obligations under international commodity agreements.

Article 3

The two Contracting Parties will make every effort to foster the harmonious expansion of their reciprocal trade and to help, each by its own means, to attain a balance in such trade.

Should an obvious imbalance arise, the matter must be examined within the Joint Committee so that measures can be recommended in order to improve the situation.

Article 4

1. The People's Republic of China will give favourable consideration to imports from the European Economic Community. To this end the competent Chinese authorities will ensure that Community exporters have the possibility of participating fully in opportunities for trade with China.

2. The European Economic Community will strive for an increasing liberalization of imports from the People's Republic of China. To this end it will endeavour progressively to introduce measures extending

the list of products for which imports from China have been liberalized and to increase the amounts of quotas. The procedure for implementation will be examined within the framework of the Joint Committee.

Article 5

1. The two Contracting Parties shall exchange information on any problems that may arise with regard to their trade and shall open friendly consultations, with the intention of promoting trade, for the purpose of seeking mutually satisfactory solutions to those problems. Each of the two Contracting Parties will ensure that no action is taken before consultations are held.

2. In an exceptional case, however, where the situation does not admit any delay, either Contracting Party may take measures, but must endeavour as far as possible to hold friendly consultations before doing so.

3. Each Contracting Party will ensure that, when taking the measures referred to in paragraph 2, the general objectives of this Agreement are not prejudiced.

Article 6

The two Contracting Parties undertake to promote visits by persons, groups and delegations from economic, trade and industrial circles, to facilitate industrial and technical exchanges and contacts connected with trade and to foster the organization of fairs and exhibitions by both sides and the relevant provision of services. As far as possible they must grant each other the facilities concerning the above activities.

Article 7

Trade in goods and the provision of services between the two Contracting Parties shall be effected at market-related prices and rates.

Article 8

The Contracting Parties agree that payments for transactions shall be made, in accordance with their respective existing laws and regulations, in currencies of the Member States of the Community, Renminbi or any convertible currency accepted by the two parties concerned in the transactions.

Article 9

1. An EEC-China Joint Committee for Trade shall be set up, comprising representatives of the European Economic Community on the one hand and representatives of the People's Republic of China on the other.

2. The tasks of the Joint Committee shall be as follows:

- to monitor and examine the functioning of this Agreement,
 - to examine any questions that may arise in the implementation of this Agreement,
 - to examine problems that could hinder the development of trade between the Contracting Parties,
 - to examine means and new opportunities of developing trade between the Contracting Parties and other problems relating to their trade,
- and
- to make recommendations that may help to attain the objectives of this Agreement.

3. The Joint Committee shall meet once a year, in Brussels and Peking alternately. Extraordinary meetings may be convened by mutual agreement, at the request of either Contracting Party. The office of chairman of the Joint Committee shall be held by each of the two Contracting Parties in turn. Where both Parties consider it necessary, the Joint Committee may set up working parties to assist it in its work.

Article 10

As far as the European Economic Community is concerned, this Agreement shall apply to the territories in which the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community is applied, and under the conditions laid down in that Treaty.

Article 11

This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the Contracting Parties have notified each other of the completion of the legal procedures necessary for this purpose. It is concluded for a period of five years. The Agreement shall be tacitly renewed from year to year provided that neither Contracting Party notifies the other Party in writing of its denunciation of the Agreement six months before the date of expiry.

However, the Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the two Contracting Parties in order to take account of new situations.

(signatures follow)

ANNEX II

Trade between the Community of nine and China

(in million EUA)

	1958	1960	1963	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
Imports	163	235	165	357	315	318	370	348	353	418	544	722	667	858	860
Exports	384	331	153	417	521	444	432	461	387	369	607	807	1153	1175	794
Balance	+221	+ 96	- 12	+ 60	+206	+126	+ 62	+113	+ 34	- 49	+ 63	+ 85	+ 486	+ 317	- 66

Sources: SOEC special issue 1958-1976 and SOEC monthly bulletin 4/78.

CATEGORIES OF GOODS TRADED BETWEEN
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND CHINA

(in 1000 E.U.A.)

C.C.T. HEADING	1976		1977	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
<i>Section I</i>				
Live animals; animal products				
1 Live animals	62	636	-	276
2 Meat and edible meat offals	49.320	-	38.369	-
3 Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	9.002	-	8.816	-
4 Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included	6.088	47	4.185	1.231
5 Products of animal origin, not elsewhere speci- fied or included	79.351	2	77.713	-
<i>Section II</i>				
Vegetable products				
6 Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage ..	14	-	-	-
7 Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers .	14.130	-	7.197	-
8 Edible fruit and nuts; peel of melons or citrus fruit	7.464	-	10.405	-
9 Coffee, tea, maté and spices	23.683	-	27.347	-
10 Cereals	1.530	-	1.701	-
11 Products of the milling industry; malt and starches; gluten; inulin	652	-	1.382	-
12 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit; industrial and medical plants; straw and fodder	14.104	23	14.826	-
13 Lacs, gums, resins and other vegetable saps and extracts				

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C.C.T. HEADING	1976		1977	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
14 Vegetable plaiting materials, vegetable products not elsewhere specified or included	2.395	32	2.959	-
<i>Section III</i>				
Animal and vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal and vegetable waxes				
15 Animal and vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal and vegetable waxes	8.274	3.108	2.464	13.056
<i>Section IV</i>				
Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits and vinegar; tobacco				
16 Preparations of meat, of fish, of crustaceans or molluscs	1.515	15	835	-
17 Sugars and sugar confectionery	39	42	216	-
18 Cocoa and cocoa preparations	1.440	-	242	-
19 Preparations of cereals, flour or starch; pastry-cooks' products	1.533	34	1.763	-
20 Preparations of vegetables, fruit or other parts of plants	33.448	11	33.498	-
21 Miscellaneous edible preparations	719	6	964	-
22 Beverages, spirits and vinegar	549	141	589	-
23 Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal fodder	6.940	7	2.275	-
24 Tobacco	3.562	1	3.232	-
<i>Section V</i>				
Mineral products				
25 Salt; sulphur; earths and stone; plastering materials, lime and cement	7.726	363	7.616	-
26 Metallic ores, slag and ash	19.704	-	15.167	-
27 Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes	1.740	3.663	310	7.089
<i>Section VI</i>				
Products of the chemical and allied industries				
28 Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals, of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes	5.605	4.539	3.299	10.714

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C.C.T. HEADING	1976		1977	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
29 Organic chemicals	19.028	65.986	14.187	59.694
30 Pharmaceutical products	2.720	983	3.301	1.307
31 Fertilisers	56	23.096	-	35.160
32 Tanning and dyeing extracts; tannins and their derivatives; dyes, colours, paints and varnishes; putty, fillers and stoppings; inks	1.824	7.284	1.871	13.806
33 Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetics and toilet preparations	16.045	413	15.969	596
34 Soap, organic surface-active agents, washing preparations, lubricating preparations, artificial waxes, prepared waxes, polishing and scouring preparations, candles and similar articles, modelling pastes and 'dental waxes'	372	416	491	526
35 Albuminoidal substances; glues; enzymes ...	827	754	704	182
36 Explosives; pyrotechnic products; matches; pyrophoric alloys; certain combustible preparations	5.777	1	6.574	-
37 Photographic and cinematographic goods	44	257	-	397
38 Miscellaneous chemical products	18.540	8.536	18.171	11.398
<i>Section VII</i>				
Artificial resins and plastic materials, cellulose esters and ethers, and articles thereof; rubber, synthetic rubber, factice, and articles thereof				
39 Artificial resins and plastic materials, cellulose esters and ethers; articles thereof	295	35.957	316	34.112
40 Rubber, synthetic rubber, factice, and articles thereof	170	414	187	304
<i>Section VIII</i>				
Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins and articles thereof; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of gut (other than silk-worm gut)				
41 Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather	25.174	16	20.163	108
42 Articles of leather, saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silk-worm gut)	14.361	90	18.615	284
43 Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	44.533	429	50.314	360
<i>Section IX</i>				
Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork and articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto and of other plaiting materials; basketware and wickerwork				
44 Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal ..	2.713	34	3.125	

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C.C.T. HEADING	1976		1977	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
45 Cork and articles of cork	71	-	-	-
46 Manufactures of straw, of esparto and of other plaiting materials; basketware and wickerwork	37.136	-	53.850	-
<i>Section X</i>				
Paper-making material; paper and paperboard and articles thereof				
47 Paper-making material	-	2	-	-
48 Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	2.593	180	2.503	257
49 Printed books, newspapers, pictures and other products of the printing industry; manuscripts, typescripts and plans	424	2.370	317	2.079
<i>Section XI</i>				
Textile and textile articles				
50 Silk and waste silk	73.612	57	94.862	-
51 Man-made fibres (continuous)	508	10.484	582	9.017
52 Metallised textiles	-	-	-	-
53 Wood and other animal hair	35.496	90	38.371	482
54 Flax and ramie	3.116	1.918	2.170	1.331
55 Cotton	47.443	312	41.479	671
56 Man-made fibres (discontinuous)	11.712	10.116	8.755	24.603
57 Other vegetable textile materials; paper yarn and woven fabrics of paper yarn	2.261	-	3.023	-
58 Carpets, mats, matting and tapestries; pile and chenille fabrics; narrow fabrics; trimmings; tulle and other net fabrics; lace; embroidery	25.960	56	30.371	-
59 Wadding and felt; twine, cordage, ropes and cables; special fabrics; impregnated and coated fabrics; textile articles of a kind suitable for industrial use	1.501	934	1.968	987
60 Knitted and crocheted goods	3.595	194	3.890	296
61 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories of textile fabric, other than knitted or crocheted goods	16.097	113	20.419	278
62 Other made up textile articles	12.305	33	17.485	122
63 Old clothing and other textile articles; rags ...	44	1	-	-

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C.C.T. HEADING	1976		1977	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
<i>Section XII</i>				
Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sunshades, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair				
64 Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	7.418	46	10.176	188
65 Headgear and parts thereof	3.820	34	6.097	-
66 Umbrellas, sunshades, walking-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof	365	-	116	-
67 Prepared feathers and down and articles made of feathers or of down; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	2.795	-	4.206	-
<i>Section XIII</i>				
Articles of stone, of plaster, of cement, of asbestos, of mica and of similar materials; ceramic products; glass and glassware				
68 Articles of stone, of plaster, of cement, of asbestos, of mica and similar materials	472	465	672	383
69 Ceramic products	5.614	775	6.016	347
70 Glass and glassware	1.408	169	1.606	-
<i>Section XIV</i>				
Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones, precious metals, rolled precious metals, and articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin				
71 Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones, precious metals, rolled precious metals, and articles thereof; imitation jewellery	337.357	11.049	3.966	3.812
72 Coin	-	4	-	-
<i>Section XV</i>				
Base metals and articles of base metal				
73 Iron and steel and articles thereof	4.974	329.162	2.725	233.228
74 Copper and articles thereof	207	677	159	159
75 Nickel and articles thereof	2	80	-	175
76 Aluminium and articles thereof	99	15.392	-	10.721
77 Magnesium and beryllium and articles thereof ..	-	80	-	-
78 Lead and articles thereof	45	-	-	-
79 Zinc and articles thereof	1.190	60	-	-
80 Tin and articles thereof	19.407	2	11.514	-

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C.C.T. HEADING	1976		1977	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
81 Other base metals employed in metallurgy and articles thereof	1.168	23	2.877	-
82 Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof	1.344	370	3.190	417
83 Miscellaneous articles of base metal	1.799	720	2.270	299
<i>Section XVI</i>				
Machinery and mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof				
84 Boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	1.380	418.808	3.653	116.339
85 Electrical machinery and equipment; parts thereof	1.651	81.322	2.132	14.224
<i>Section XVII</i>				
Vehicles, aircraft, and parts thereof; vessels and certain associated transport equipment				
86 Railway and tramway locomotives, rolling-stock and parts thereof; railway and tramway track fixtures and fittings; traffic signalling equipment of all kinds (not electrically powered)	1	57	-	-
87 Vehicles, other than railway or tramway rolling-stock, and parts thereof	331	3.275	110	3.593
88 Aircraft and parts thereof; parachutes; catapults and similar aircraft launching gear, ground flying trainers	119	18.479	2.192	13.811
89 Ships, boats and floating structures	98	5.227	129	45.084
<i>Section XVIII</i>				
Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical and surgical instruments and apparatus; clocks and watches; musical instruments; sound recorders or reproducers; television image and sound recorders or reproducers; parts thereof				
90 Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical and surgical instruments and apparatus; parts thereof ..	1.218	28.882	2.203	23.785
91 Clocks and watches and parts thereof	3.356	930	2.949	890
92 Musical instruments; sound recorders or reproducers; television image and sound recorders or reproducers; parts and accessories of such articles	2.618	481	2.234	437

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C.C.T. HEADING	1976		1977	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
<i>Section XIX</i>				
Arms and ammunition; parts thereof				
93 Arms and ammunition; parts thereof	235	7	187	-
<i>Section XX</i>				
Miscellaneous manufactured articles				
94 Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	6.008	83	7.423	-
95 Articles and manufactures of carving or moulding material	1.106	-	1.156	-
96 Brooms, brushes, powder-puffs and sieves ...	1.118	2	1.888	-
97 Toys, games and sports requisites; parts thereof	9.646	27	10.049	-
98 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.959	36	1.588	-
<i>Section XXI</i>				
Works of art, collectors' pieces, and antiques				
99 Works of art, collectors' pieces, and antiques..	19.956	2.370	4.018	2.522
TOTAL	1.183.060	1.120.385	856.966	787.210

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