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SURVEY ON FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Secretariat's annual survey "to determine the percentage of national revenues represented by Customs duties" shows that Customs tariffs continue to play an important role in the economies of many countries including developing countries even though the importance is gradually decreasing (see Agenda Item II.8). According to this survey, the average of percentages of national revenues represented by Customs duties for 146 countries, territories and economic unions using the Harmonized System for whom published data were available decreased from 19.78 % in 1994 to 16.89 % in 1998.
2. Such a rapid reduction in the average of percentages of national revenues represented by Customs duties can be explained by two types of efforts to reduce or eliminate tariff barriers and to increase trade. The first type of effort involves the rapidly increasing use of regional free trade agreements (hereinafter referred to as "FTAs") and second involves the multilateral trade system administered by the WTO. These efforts have steadily decreased duty rates and, consequently the shares of Customs duties in terms of national revenues in almost all nations.
3. All WTO Members are bound to notify the WTO of the regional trade agreements (hereinafter referred to as "RTAs") in which they participate. It should be noted that RTAs consist of FTAs as mentioned above plus preferential trade arrangements between developing countries and agreements in the area of trade in services. According to the WTO, during the period 1948-1994, the GATT received 124 notifications of RTAs relating to trade in goods and since the creation of the WTO in 1995, 90 additional arrangements covering trade in goods and services have been notified. Out of the total of 214 agreements so far notified to the GATT/WTO, 134 are currently in force. Most of the discontinued RTAs have been superseded by redesigned agreements among the same signatories.

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4. To provide accurate information to all member administrations about FTAs, the Secretariat decided to undertake a survey.

II. SECRETARIAT SURVEY

5. This survey is based on information obtained mainly from the websites which are provided by multinational organizations such as the WTO, World Bank, and IMF. Because the WTO has 140 Members and all WTO Members are bound to notify RTAs in which they participate, this survey has largely relied on information from the WTO. Some information was added to cover non-WTO Member information and the survey was limited only to trade in goods.
6. For the purposes of this survey, a Customs or economic union (hereinafter referred to as "Customs union") was understood to mean an entity within which duties and other restrictive regulations of commerce were eliminated with respect to substantially all the trade between the constituent countries and/or territories (hereinafter referred to as "countries") of the union, or at least with respect to substantially all the trade in products originating in such countries, and that substantially the same duties and other regulations of commerce were applied by each of the members of the union to the trade of countries not included in the union. A free trade area was understood to mean a group of two or more countries in which the duties and other restrictive regulations of commerce were eliminated on substantially all the trade between the constituent countries in products originating in such countries but that each member would set its own duty rates on imports from non-members.
7. Annex I to this document provides some information on FTAs such as the number of members of the FTA, names of the member countries, date of entry into force, etc. Among the 104 FTAs listed most (85.6 %) were established among or with European countries including the EC and/or EFTA countries. Except for seven Customs unions, all of the other agreements cover free trade areas.
8. Annex II sets out trade information for 1998 for all countries which had FTAs at the end of the year 2000. It includes total import value, import value from FTA member countries and shares of imports from FTA member countries for each country. The EC, EFTA and CEFTA countries, have established FTAs with 30 countries or more and more than 70 % of total imports come from FTA member countries.
9. Annexes III and IV show the distribution of country groups with different levels of the shares of imports from FTA member countries in terms of total import value in 1998. In the case of 26 countries, more than 70 % of the total import value came from FTA member countries. For more than one-third (46 countries) of the 126 FTA member countries, over 50 % of total imports came from FTA member countries. The average of all shares of imports from FTA member countries in terms of total import value was 56.97 % and almost half (2,416.3 US billion dollars (42.9 %)) of total world trade of goods (5,635.9 US billion dollars) was traded among FTA member countries.

III. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

10. In view of the foregoing, it can be seen that FTAs play a very important role in world trade. 126 countries are involved in one or more FTAs and almost half (42.9 %) of world trade occurs between FTA member countries. Moreover, as the number of FTAs increases, the share of imports subject to free rates of duty will increase.
11. This trend raises two considerations in respect of the Harmonized System :
- Since FTAs eliminate Customs duties between members as against non-members, the HS is essential for that purpose. Trade statistics based on the HS will also be essential to that end. Therefore, the Harmonized System plays an important role in the development and implementation of FTAs.
 - Since FTAs allow duty free entry for all goods originating in FTA member countries as against non-members, preferential rules of origin are essential and the HS is crucial to FTAs whose rule of origin is based on change in tariff classification.

IV. CONCLUSION

12. The Committee is requested to take note of the results of the Secretariat's survey and to suggest ways in which we might improve this survey in the future.

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MAJOR CHARACTERISTICS OF FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS (FTAs)

	Free Trade Agreement	Number of Countries	Member Countries	Entry into force	Free trade area or Customs union	Remarks
1	European Community	15	Austria	1.1.95	Customs union	
			Belgium	1.1.58		
			Denmark	1.1.73		
			Finland	1.1.95		
			France	1.1.58		
			Germany			
			Greece	1.1.81		
			Ireland	1.1.73		
			Italy	1.1.58		
			Luxembourg			
			Netherlands			
			Portugal	1.1.86		
			Spain			
			Sweden	1.1.95		
United Kingdom	1.1.73					
2	EC/Algeria	EC+1	EC	1.7.76	Free trade area	
			Algeria			
3	EC/Andora	EC+1	EC	1.7.91	Free trade area	
			Andora			
4	EC/Bulgaria	EC+1	EC	31.12.93	Free trade area	
			Bulgaria			
5	EC/Cyprus	EC+1	EC	1.6.73	Free trade area	
			Cyprus			
6	EC/Czech Republic	EC+1	EC	1.3.92	Free trade area	
			Czech Republic			

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7	EC/Egypt	EC+1	EC Egypt	1.7.77	Free trade area	
8	EC/Estonia	EC+1	EC Estonia	1.1.95	Free trade area	
9	EC/Faroe Islands	EC+1	EC Faroe Islands	1.1.97	Free trade area	
10	EC/Hungary	EC+1	EC Hungary	1.3.92	Free trade area	
11	EC/Iceland	EC+1	EC Iceland	1.4.73	Free trade area	
12	EC/Israel	EC+1	EC Israel	1.7.75	Free trade area	
13	EC/Jordan	EC+1	EC Jordan	1.7.77	Free trade area	
14	EC/Latvia	EC+1	EC Latvia	1.1.95	Free trade area	
15	EC/Lebanon	EC+1	EC Lebanon	1.7.77	Free trade area	
16	EC/Lithuania	EC+1	EC Lithuania	1.1.95	Free trade area	
17	EC/Malta	EC+1	EC Malta	1.4.71	Free trade area	
18	EC/Morocco	EC+1	EC Morocco	1.7.76	Free trade area	
19	EC/Norway	EC+1	EC Norway	1.7.73	Free trade area	
20	EC/Palestinian Authority	EC+1	EC Palestinian Authority	-	Free trade area	
21	EC/Poland	EC+1	EC Poland	1.3.92	Free trade area	
22	EC/Certain Non-European	EC+9	EC	1.1.71	Free trade area	

	Countries and Territories (PTOM II)		Comoro Archipelago			
			French Polynesia			
			the French Somali Coast			
			the Netherlands Antilles			
			New Caledonia and Dependencies			
			the Southern and Antarctic Territories			
			Saint Pierre and Miquelon			
			Suriname			
Wallis and Futuna Islands						
23	EC/Romania	EC+1	EC	1.5.93	Free trade area	
			Romania			
24	EC/Slovak Republic	EC+1	EC	1.3.92	Free trade area	
			Slovak Republic			
25	EC/Slovenia	EC+1	EC	1.1.97	Free trade area	
			Slovenia			
26	EC/Switzerland and Liechtenstein	EC+2	EC	1.1.73	Free trade area	
			Switzerland			
			Liechtenstein			
27	EC/Syria	EC+1	EC	1.7.77	Free trade area	
			Syria			
28	EC/Tunisia	EC+1	EC	1.3.98	Free trade area	
			Tunisia			
29	EC/Turkey	EC+1	EC	1.1.96	Free trade area	
			Turkey			
30	European Free Trade Association - EFTA	4	Iceland	1.3.70	Free trade area	
			Liechtenstein	3.5.60		
			Norway			
			Switzerland			
31	EFTA/Bulgaria	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.7.93	Free trade area	

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			Bulgaria			
32	EFTA/Czech Republic	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.7.92	Free trade area	
			Czech Republic			
33	EFTA/Slovak Republic	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.7.92	Free trade area	
			Slovak Republic			
34	EFTA/Estonia	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.6.96	Free trade area	
			Estonia			
35	EFTA/Hungary	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.10.93	Free trade area	
			Hungary			
36	EFTA/Israel	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.1.93	Free trade area	
			Israel			
37	EFTA/Latvia	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.6.96	Free trade area	
			Latvia			
38	EFTA/Lithuania	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.8.96	Free trade area	
			Lithuania			
39	EFTA/Morocco	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.12.99	Free trade area	
			Morocco			
40	EFTA/PLO	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.7.99	Free trade area	
			PLO			
41	EFTA/Poland	EFTA+1	EFTA	15.11.93	Free trade area	
			Poland			
42	EFTA/Romania	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.5.93	Free trade area	
			Romania			
43	EFTA/Slovenia	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.7.95	Free trade area	
			Slovenia			
44	EFTA/Turkey	EFTA+1	EFTA	1.4.92	Free trade area	
			Turkey			
45	Faroe Islands/Iceland	2	Faroe Islands	1.7.93	Free trade area	
			Iceland			
46	Faroe Islands/Norway	2	Faroe Islands	1.7.93	Free trade area	
			Norway			

47	Faroe Islands/Switzerland	2	Faroe Islands	1.3.95	Free trade area	
			Switzerland			
48	Faroe Islands/Estonia	2	Faroe Islands	1.12.98	Free trade area	
			Estonia			
49	Bulgaria/Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	2	Bulgaria	1.1.00	Free trade area	
			FYR Macedonia			
50	Croatia/Slovenia	2	Croatia	1.1.98	Free trade area	
			Slovenia			
51	Central European Free Trade Area - CEFTA	7	Bulgaria	17.7.98	Free trade area	
			Czech Republic	1.3.93		
			Hungary			
			Poland			
			Romania	1.7.97		
			Slovak Republic	1.3.93		
			Slovenia	1.1.96		
52	Czech Republic/Estonia	2	Czech Republic	12.2.98	Free trade area	
			Estonia			
53	Czech Republic/Israel	2	Czech Republic	1.12.97	Free trade area	
			Israel			
54	Czech Republic/Latvia	2	Czech Republic	1.7.97	Free trade area	
			Latvia			
55	Czech Republic/Lithuania	2	Czech Republic	1.9.97	Free trade area	
			Lithuania			
56	Czech Republic/Slovak Rep.	2	Czech Republic	1.1.93	Customs union	
			Slovak Republic			
57	Hungary/Israel	2	Hungary	1.2.98	Free trade area	
			Israel			
58	Hungary/Latvia	2	Hungary	1.1.00	Free trade area	
			Latvia			
59	Hungary/Lithuania	2	Hungary	1.3.00	Free trade area	
			Lithuania			

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60	Israel/Poland	2	Israel	1.1.98	Free trade area	
			Poland			
61	Israel/Slovenia	2	Israel	1.9.98	Free trade area	
			Slovenia			
62	Poland/Faroe Islands	2	Poland	1.6.99	Free trade area	
			Faroe Islands			
63	Poland/Latvia	2	Poland	1.6.99	Free trade area	
			Latvia			
64	Poland/Lithuania	2	Poland	1.1.97	Free trade area	
			Lithuania			
65	Romania/Moldova	2	Romania	1.1.95	Free trade area	
			Moldova			
66	Slovak Republic/Estonia	2	Slovak Republic	12.2.98	Free trade area	
			Estonia			
67	Slovak Republic/Israel	2	Slovak Republic	1.1.97	Free trade area	
			Israel			
68	Slovak Republic/Latvia	2	Slovak Republic	1.7.97	Free trade area	
			Latvia			
69	Slovak Republic/Lithuania	2	Slovak Republic	1.7.97	Free trade area	
			Lithuania			
70	Slovenia/Estonia	2	Slovenia	1.1.97	Free trade area	
			Estonia			
71	Slovenia/Latvia	2	Slovenia	1.8.96	Free trade area	
			Latvia			
72	Slovenia/Lithuania	2	Slovenia	1.3.97	Free trade area	
			Lithuania			
73	Slovenia/Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	2	Slovenia	1.9.96	Free trade area	
			FYR Macedonia			
74	Estonia/Latvia/Lithuania	3	Estonia	1.4.94	Free trade area	
			Latvia			
			Lithuania			

75	Turkey/Bulgaria	2	Turkey	1.1.99	Free trade area	
			Bulgaria			
76	Turkey/Czech Republic	2	Turkey	1.9.98	Free trade area	
			Czech Republic			
77	Turkey/Estonia	2	Turkey	1.7.98	Free trade area	
			Estonia			
78	Turkey/Hungary	2	Turkey	1.4.98	Free trade area	
			Hungary			
79	Turkey/Israel	2	Turkey	1.5.97	Free trade area	
			Israel			
80	Turkey/Lithuania	2	Turkey	1.3.98	Free trade area	
			Lithuania			
81	Turkey/Romania	2	Turkey	1.2.98	Free trade area	
			Romania			
82	Turkey/Slovak Republic	2	Turkey	1.9.98	Free trade area	
			Slovak Republic			
83	Kyrgyz Republic/Russia/ Belarus/Kazakhstan	4	Belarus	-	Customs union	
			Kazakhstan			
			Russia			
			Kyrgyz Republic	8.10.97		
84	Kyrgyz Republic/Moldova	2	Kyrgyz Republic	21.11.96	Free trade area	
			Moldova			
85	Kyrgyz Republic/Kazakhstan	2	Kyrgyz Republic	-	Free trade area	
			Kazakhstan			
86	Kyrgyz Republic/Russia	2	Kyrgyz Republic	24.4.93	Free trade area	
			Russia			
87	Kyrgyz Republic/Ukraine	2	Kyrgyz Republic	19.1.98	Free trade area	
			Ukraine			
88	Kyrgyz Republic/Uzbekistan	2	Kyrgyz Republic	20.3.98	Free trade area	
			Uzbekistan			
89	Azerbaijan/Armenia/Belarus/	11	Azerbaijan	30.12.94	Free trade area	

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	Georgia/Moldova/Kazakhstan/ Russia/Ukraine/Uzbekistan/ Tajikistan/Kyrgyz Rep.		Armenia Belarus Georgia Moldova Kazakhstan Russia Ukraine Uzbekistan Tajikistan Kyrgyz Rep.			
90	United States/Israel	2	United States Israel	19.8.85	Free trade area	
91	Canada/Chile	2	Canada Chile	5.7.97	Free trade area	
92	Canada/Israel	2	Canada Israel	1.1.97	Free trade area	
93	North American Free Trade Agreement - NAFTA	3	Canada Mexico United States	1.1.94	Free trade area	
94	Central American Common Market - CACM	5	Costa Rica El Salvador Guatemala Honduras Nicaragua	1962 12.10.61	Free trade area	
95	Caribbean Community and Common Market - CARICOM	15	Antigua and Barbuda Bahamas Barbados Belize Dominica Grenada Guyana	1.8.73 1983 1.8.73	Free trade area	

			Haiti	1997		
			Jamaica	1.8.73		
			Montserrat			
			St. Kitts and Nevis			
			St. Lucia			
			St. Vincent and the Grenadines			
			Suriname	1995		
			Trinidad and Tobago	1.8.73		
96	MERCOSUR	4	Argentina	1.1.00	Customs union	Some exceptions for agricultural products
			Brazil			
			Paraguay			
			Uruguay			
97	PATCRA	2	Australia	1.2.77	Free trade area	
			Papua New Guinea			
98	Closer Economic Relations Trade Agreement - ANZCERTA	2	Australia	1.1.83	Free trade area	
			New Zealand			
99	Andean Free Trade area	4	Bolivia	2.1993	Free trade area	
			Colombia			
			Ecuador			
			Venezuela			
100	Southern African Customs Union - SACU	5	Botswana	1969	Customs union	Some exceptions for agricultural products
			Lesotho			
			Namibia			
			South Africa			
			Swaziland			
101	Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa - COMESA	9	Djibouti	31.10.00	Free trade area	11 COMESA member countries are not yet participating in the FTA
			Egypt	1.11.00		
			Kenya	31.10.00		

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			Madagascar	1.11.00				
			Malawi					
			Mauritius					
			Sudan					
			Zambia					
			Zimbabwe					
102	Central African Economic and Monetary Community - CEMAC	6	Cameroon	1.1.1998	Customs union			
			Central African Rep.					
			Chad					
			Congo					
			Equatorial Guinea					
			Gabon					
103	Western African Economic and Monetary Community - UEMOA	8	Benin	1.1.2000	Customs union			
			Burkina Faso					
			Côte d'Ivoire					
			Guinea Bissau					
			Mali					
			Niger					
			Senegal					
			Togo					
104	Ghana/Burkina Faso	2	Ghana	1962	Free trade area			
			Burkina Faso					

Notes :

1. Customs union means that all members charge the same set of Customs duty rates on imports from non-members.
2. Free trade area means that trade within the group is duty free, but each member can set its own duty rates from non-members.
3. Some free trade agreements which overlap with other agreements are excluded.
4. The reference sources for the original data are as follows :
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SHARE OF IMPORTS FROM FTA COUNTRIES FOR 1998 (1)

(Unit : Millions of US\$)

Countries	Number of FTA Countries	Total Imports (A)	Imports from FTA Countries (B)	(B/A) (%)
EUROPE		2,598,631	1,809,441	69.63
European Community (15)		2,185,500	1,545,852	70.73
Austria	EC,PTOM II+28	66,787	55,263	82.75
Belgium/Luxembourg	EC,PTOM II+28	173,196	134,673	77.76
Denmark	EC,PTOM II+28	45,900	37,591	81.90
Finland	EC,PTOM II+28	31,299	21,156	67.59
France	EC,PTOM II+28	290,241	204,557	70.48
Germany	EC,PTOM II+28	463,263	325,243	70.21
Greece	EC,PTOM II+28	28,717	21,758	75.77
Ireland	EC,PTOM II+28	43,934	25,368	57.74
Italy	EC,PTOM II+28	215,911	158,308	73.32
Netherlands	EC,PTOM II+28	158,787	101,366	63.84
Portugal	EC,PTOM II+28	36,911	30,152	81.69
Spain	EC,PTOM II+28	130,073	95,296	73.26
Sweden	EC,PTOM II+28	68,238	52,819	77.40
United Kingdom	EC,PTOM II+28	309,790	175,233	56.57
EFTA (4)		118,341	89,050	75.25
Iceland	EC,EFTA+15	2,464	1,802	73.13
Liechtenstein	EC,EFTA+14	-	-	-
Norway	EC,EFTA+15	35,609	26,640	74.81
Switzerland	EC,EFTA+15	80,268	60,608	75.51
CEFTA (7)		139,298	104,647	75.12
Bulgaria	EC,EFTA,CEFTA+2	5,044	2,791	55.33
Czech Republic	EC,EFTA,CEFTA+5	28,889	22,760	78.78
Hungary	EC,EFTA,CEFTA+4	25,727	18,708	72.72
Poland	EC,EFTA,CEFTA+4	47,053	35,402	75.24
Romania	EC,EFTA,CEFTA+2	10,615	7,564	71.26
Slovak Republic	EC,EFTA,CEFTA+5	11,902	9,059	76.11
Slovenia	EC,EFTA,CEFTA+5	10,068	8,363	83.07
Andora	EC	-	-	-
Croatia	Slovenia	8,327	722	8.67
Cyprus	EC	3,685	2,020	54.82
Estonia	EC,EFTA+7	4,786	3,207	67.01
Faroe Islands	EC+5	357	354	99.16
Latvia	EC,EFTA+7	2,901	2,245	77.39
Lithuania	EC,EFTA+8	5,794	3,595	62.05
Macedonia(FYR)	2	1,915	235	12.27
Malta	EC	3,723	2,315	62.18
Turkey	EC,EFTA+8	44,731	25,410	56.81

Commonwealth of Independent States (11)		79,273	29,789	37.58
Armenia	10	902	229	25.39
Azerbaijan	10	1,076	378	35.13
Belarus	10	8,530	5,553	65.10
Georgia	10	1,262	254	20.13
Kazakhstan	10	4,257	1,989	46.72
Kyrgyz Rep.	10	841	423	50.30
Moldova	10	1,024	540	52.73
Russian Federation	10	42,939	11,078	25.80
Tajikistan	10	711	416	58.51
Ukraine	10	14,676	7,897	53.81
Uzbekistan	10	3,055	1,032	33.78
AFRICA		70,861	24,797	34.99
Algeria	EC	9,834	6,422	65.30
Comoros	EC	48	23	47.92
Ghana	1	3,422	8	0.23
Morocco	EC,EFTA	8,427	4,737	56.21
Tunisia	EC	8,420	6,217	73.84
COMESA (9)	COMESA	28,486	6,665	23.40
Djibouti	COMESA	560	196	35.00
Egypt	EC,COMESA	16,479	6,080	36.90
Kenya	COMESA	3,301	27	0.82
Madagascar	COMESA	505	9	1.78
Malawi	COMESA	541	102	18.85
Mauritius	COMESA	2,184	15	0.69
Sudan	COMESA	1,609	52	3.23
Zambia	COMESA	924	140	15.15
Zimbabwe	COMESA	2,383	44	1.85
SACU (5)	SACU	-	-	-
Botswana	SACU	-	-	-
Lesotho	SACU	-	-	-
Namibia	SACU	-	-	-
South Africa	SACU	-	-	-
Swaziland	SACU	-	-	-
CEMAC (6)	CEMAC	4,294	168	3.91
Cameroon	CEMAC	1,495	14	0.94
Central African Rep.	CEMAC	144	22	15.28
Chad	CEMAC	177	34	19.21
Congo, Republic of	CEMAC	1,083	27	2.49
Equatorial Guinea	CEMAC	277	27	9.75
Gabon	CEMAC	1,118	44	3.94
UEMOA (8)	UEMOA	7,930	557	7.02
Benin	UEMOA	639	50	7.82
Burkina Faso	UEMOA+1	-	-	-
Cote d'Ivoire	UEMOA	2,991	32	1.07
Guinea Bissau	UEMOA	91	9	9.89
Mali	UEMOA	1,222	287	23.49

Niger	UEMOA	362	58	16.02
Senegal	UEMOA	1,537	40	2.60
Togo	UEMOA	1,088	81	7.44
F. Southern & Antarctic Lands	EC	-	-	-
AMERICA		1,453,736	548,174	37.71
NAFTA (3)		1,269,061	519,507	40.94
Canada	NAFTA+2	199,227	141,052	70.80
Mexico	NAFTA	125,190	95,544	76.32
United States	NAFTA+1	944,644	282,911	29.95
CACM (5)		18,777	2,141	11.40
Costa Rica	CACM	6,230	313	5.02
El Salvador	CACM	3,108	599	19.27
Guatemala	CACM	5,407	587	10.86
Honduras	CACM	2,500	295	11.80
Nicaragua	CACM	1,532	347	22.65
CARICOM (15)		13,195	1,195	9.06
Antigua and Barbuda	CARICOM	-	-	-
Bahamas	CARICOM	2,797	7	0.25
Barbados	CARICOM	1,022	164	16.05
Belize	CARICOM	325	10	3.08
Dominica	CARICOM	108	33	30.56
Grenada	CARICOM	170	59	34.71
Guyana	CARICOM	554	116	20.94
Haiti	CARICOM	1,032	9	0.87
Jamaica	CARICOM	2,992	311	10.39
Montserrat	CARICOM	-	-	-
St. Kitts and Nevis	CARICOM	185	33	17.84
St. Lucia	CARICOM	257	76	29.57
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	CARICOM	192	44	22.92
Suriname	CARICOM	552	233	42.21
Trinidad and Tobago	CARICOM	3,009	100	3.32
Andean Free Trade Area (4)		35,551	3,483	9.80
Bolivia	ANDEAN FTA	2,387	72	3.02
Colombia	ANDEAN FTA	14,634	1,750	11.96
Ecuador	ANDEAN FTA	5,575	877	15.73
Venezuela	ANDEAN FTA	12,955	784	6.05
MERCOSUR (4)		96,524	20,980	21.74
Argentina	MERCOSUR	31,290	7,967	25.46
Brazil	MERCOSUR	57,558	9,425	16.37
Paraguay	MERCOSUR	3,866	1,937	50.10
Uruguay	MERCOSUR	3,810	1,651	43.33
Chile	1	18,223	353	1.94
Netherlands Antilles	EC	2,405	515	21.41
St. Pierre & Miquelon	EC	-	-	-
MIDDLE EAST		42,436	27,086	63.83
Israel	EC,EFTA+8	27,470	21,169	77.06
Jordan	EC	4,011	1,372	34.21

Lebanon	EC	7,060	3,276	46.40
PLO	EC	-	-	-
Syria	EC	3,895	1,269	32.58
OCEANIA		75,428	6,797	9.01
Australia	ANZCERTA,PATCRA	60,767	2,846	4.68
New Zealand	ANZCERTA	12,570	2,744	21.83
Papua New Guinea	PATCRA	1,220	641	52.54
French Polynesia	EC	-	-	-
New Caledonia	EC	871	566	64.98
Wallis & Futuna	EC	-	-	-
TOTAL		4,241,092	2,416,295	56.97

- Notes :
1. PTOM II means "Certain Non-European Countries and Territories" and includes :
Comoro Archipelago, French Polynesia, the French Somali Coast (Djibouti), the Netherlands Antilles, New Caledonia and dependencies, the Southern and Antarctic territories, Saint Pierre and Miquelon, Suriname, Wallis and Futuna Islands.
 2. The data for import values are based on the c.i.f. (cost, insurance, and freight) values, except some countries (Australia, Brazil, Canada, Czech Republic Mexico, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Romania, Slovak Republic, Venezuela) marked fob which are based on f.o.b. (free on board) values.
 3. The reference source for the original data concerning import values is as follows :
- "Direction of Trade Statistics Yearbook 2000", the International Monetary Fund

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SHARE OF IMPORTS FROM FTA COUNTRIES FOR 1998 (2)

Share of Imports from FTA Countries	Number of Countries	Names of Countries
Higher than 80%	5	Austria, Denmark, Portugal, Slovenia, Faroe Islands
70-80%	21	Belgium/Luxembourg, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Latvia, Tunisia, Canada, Mexico, Israel
60-70%	8	Finland, Netherlands, Estonia, Lithuania, Malta, Belarus, Algeria, New Caledonia
50-60%	12	Ireland, United Kingdom, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Turkey, Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Morocco, Paraguay, Papua New Guinea
40-50%	5	Kazakhstan, Comoros, Suriname, Uruguay, Lebanon
30-40%	8	Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Djibouti, Egypt, Dominica, Grenada, Jordan, Syria
20-30%	12	Armenia, Georgia, Russia, Mali, United States, Nicaragua, Guyana, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Argentina, Netherlands Antilles, New Zealand
10-20%	15	Macedonia(FYR), Malawi, Zambia, Central African Rep., Chad, Niger, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Barbados, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, Colombia, Ecuador, Brazil
0-10%	25	Croatia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Sudan, Zimbabwe, Cameroon, Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Guinea Bissau, Senegal, Togo, Costa Rica, Bahamas, Belize, Haiti, Trinidad and Tobago, Bolivia, Venezuela, Chile, Australia
no data available	15	Liechtenstein, Andora, Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Burkina Faso, French Southern & Antarctic Lands, Antigua and Barbuda, Motserat, St. Pierre & Miquelon, PLO, French Polynesia, Wallis & Futuna
Total	126	

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