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Natural Rubber and Tropical Wood

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¹To be issued as Add.1. to this document.

Introduction

1. At the first meeting of the Negotiating Group on Tropical Products held on 26 February 1987, there was a general agreement that the work in the initial phase should start on the basis of the seven product groups selected for the purpose of the consultations on tropical products held in the Committee on Trade and Development in 1982-84, in the understanding that this would not constitute a definition of tropical products nor an exhaustive listing and that other products might be included as negotiations proceed. As a first step in compiling background material for negotiations, the Group agreed that the secretariat should be invited to update and revise the background documentation prepared for the 1982-84 consultations including, as appropriate, data on the new Harmonized System of tariffs, so as to provide the Group with a summary of current trade flows and the tariff and non-tariff measures relating to the seven individual product groups covered by the consultations.
2. This document provides background material for negotiations with respect to one of the seven product groups covered by the 1982-84 consultations - natural rubber and tropical wood. This document covers the eleven developed country markets as in the background documentation prepared for the consultations. As far as this product group is concerned, any additional information that the Group might wish to have included as background material will be circulated as addenda to this document.
3. The first two sections of this document cover natural rubber and tropical wood, respectively. Section III documents the activities of international organizations relevant to these two product sub-groups. Each of the first two sections includes product information and, under the heading "the commercial policy situation", tables which show tariff rates (MFN and GSP) according to the new Harmonized System classifications, an overview of the tariff situation and information on non-tariff measures. Each of the first two sections also provides data on trade flows and consumption.
4. With respect to the eleven markets referred to above, MTN.GNG/NG6/W/15/Add.1 provides tariff and trade flow data extracted from the 1984 Tariff Study files. These data are presented according to tariff classifications used before the adoption of the Harmonized System. With respect to pre-HS tariff items, the secretariat has added corresponding new HS-based tariff item numbers and tariff rates on a provisional basis. It is expected that these data will help identify broadly, if not precisely, major suppliers and the amount of trade involved with respect to the new HS-based tariff items.¹

¹ A number of participants in the Uruguay Round, including developed countries, have adopted new tariff schedules based on the Harmonized System. The United States and Canada have adopted an internationally standardized tariff nomenclature for the first time. However, it may be noted that import data according to HS-based tariff items will not be available before 1989 or 1990. Thus, there is no other choice but to use the latest available import data for 1984, which are presented according to pre-HS tariff classifications, i.e. CCCN, TSUS or CTS.

SECTION I: Natural rubber and rubber products

A. Product information

5. Virtually all of the commercially important types of natural rubber (hevea, balata, gutta percha and chicle) are grown in the tropical zone. While there are certain products which are most frequently made from either natural or synthetic rubbers, many rubber items are made from several types of rubber combined, which may have been co-polymerized, compounded, laminated or otherwise associated with one another and with other fillers, extenders, colouring agents and/or re-enforcement materials such as textile or metal-threads or fabrics.

6. Rubber and most rubber products¹ fall within CCCN/HS Chapter 40. Natural and synthetic rubbers are distinguishable only at the level of raw material. At the level of semi-manufactured and finished rubber products, no distinction is made between those of natural and synthetic rubbers under such international nomenclatures as CCCN and HS. However, in certain national tariff schedules (e.g. those of the United States and Japan) certain semi-manufactured natural rubber products sometimes enjoy lower tariff treatment than for corresponding synthetic rubber products.

B. The commercial policy situation

(a) Tariffs

7. Tables 1 to 5 show the tariff rates (MFN and GSP) of eleven developed country markets with respect to natural rubber, unvulcanized rubber products, vulcanized rubber products, rubber tyres and tubes, and other rubber articles. The MFN and GSP rates indicated in these tables are new rates based on the Harmonized System. Tariff data in the tables are presented in a way to show the tariff escalation as clearly as possible. Tariff rates other than MFN and GSP rates are given in MTN.GNG/NG6/W/15/Add.1.

An overview of the tariff situation

8. In developed countries natural rubber is generally imported free of duty as an essential raw material. With regard to rubber products, MFN duties of industrialized countries have been significantly reduced as a result of past multilateral trade negotiations. Practically all products in CCCN Chapter 40 (with the exception of rubber tyres and tubes in certain cases) enjoyed the 50 per cent tariff reduction in the 1964-67 Kennedy Round and the tariff reduction according to a harmonization formula in the 1973-79 Tokyo Round. Further, the GSP introduced by developed countries in the 1970s has covered industrial products extensively, including most rubber products and has eliminated or reduced many duties applicable to developing countries in the sector.

¹ Chapter 40 of the CCCN does not cover all "rubber articles". Rubber toys, bathing caps, rubber footwear and (hardened rubber) buttons, pipestems, etc., are, for instance, classifiable in other CCCN/HS Chapters.

Explanatory Notes to Tables

Symbols used in the tables

* = MFN tariff reductions and GSP improvements after the 1982-84 consultations on tropical products (to the extent that information is available to the secretariat)

MFN rate (under the HS-based tariff - effective 1 January 1988, except the United States having delayed its adoption)

B = MFN rate fully bound

P = MFN rate partially bound

U = MFN rate not bound

A = MFN rate applied actually on a temporary basis or otherwise

Examples: (a) 0%B,) Two bound rates at zero and 10 per cent apply on
10%B) the HS item

(b) 10%B) MFN rate is bound at 10 per cent, but a rate of
8%A) 8 per cent is actually applied on the HS item.

GSP rate (under the HS-based tariff - effective 1 January 1988, except the United States having delayed its adoption)

Blank space means that as the MFN rate is already zero, GSP is irrelevant.

- = no GSP treatment for MFN dutiable item

(...%) = GSP rate whose application is subject to quantitative limitations (i.e. ceiling or quota)

- Notes:
1. Information on country limitations for the GSP application is given in footnotes.
 2. Tariff rates other than MFN and GSP rates are available in MTN.GNG/NG6/W/15/Add.1.
 3. "No GSP treatment" includes the cases where the GSP rate, though it remains on domestic legislation or regulation, no longer offers a preferential margin as a result of the reduction of the relevant MFN rate to or below the GSP rate.
 4. Unless otherwise qualified, a single GSP rate indicated against two or more MFN rates means that all indicated dutiable MFN rates have been covered by the GSP rate indicated.

Note: Four countries, Finland, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland, grant developing countries MFN duty-free treatment or unlimited GSP duty-free treatment with the exception that "4011 rubber tyres" are excluded from the GSP scheme of Finland. These four countries are not included in the following tables for natural rubber. Date for these four countries will be made available to interested delegations on request.

Table 1

Natural Rubber

United States, Japan, EEC and Austria - OZB (all items)

H.S. Code No. ¹	Harmonized commodity description		Canada	Australia	New Zealand
4001.10	Natural rubber latex	MFN	OZB	2ZU	OZP
		GSP		OZ	
4001.21	Smoked sheets of natural rubber	MFN	OZB	2ZU	OZB
		GSP		OZ	
4001.22	Technically specified natural rubber (TSNR)	MFN	OZB	2ZU	OZB
		GSP		OZ	
4001.29	Natural rubber, other	MFN	OZB, ² 10.3% ²	2ZU	OZU, ³ 17.5% ³
		GSP	6.5% ²	OZ	OZ
4001.30	Balata, gutta-percha guayule, chicle and similar natural gums	MFN	OZB	OZB	OZP, ⁴ 40% ⁴
		GSP			30% ⁴

¹Corresponding CCCN numbers: 4001, 4005, 4006 and 4008.

²Sheets and strip other than crepe rubber sheets for footwear.

³Creped natural rubber and uncompounded natural rubber.

⁴Compounded natural gums.

Table 2

Unvulcanized Rubber Products

H.S. Code No.	Harmonized commodity description		United States	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Australia	New Zealand
4005.10 ¹	Compounded rubber with carbon black or silica	MFN	0% ^B	10.3% ^B	4.9% ^B 3.9% ^A	2.5% ^B	6% ^B	20% ^U ⁸	17.5% ^U ⁴ , 30% ^U , 40% ^U
		GSP		6.5%	(0%)	0%	3%	15% ⁸	0% ⁴ , 20%, 30%
4005.20 ¹	Compounded rubber solutions, other dispersions	MFN	0% ^B	10.3% ^B	4.9% ^B 0% ^A ³	2.5% ^B	7% ^B	20% ^U ⁸	30% ^U
		GSP		6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	15% ⁸	20%
4005.91 ¹	Compounded rubber plates, sheets and strip	MFN	0% ^B	10.3% ^B	4.9% ^B 3.9% ^A	2.5% ^B	6.5% ^B	20% ^U ⁸	17.5% ^U
		GSP		6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.2%	15% ⁸	0%
4005.99 ¹	Other compounded rubber	MFN	0% ^B	10.3% ^B	0% ^B ³	0% ^B	6% ^B	20% ^U ⁸	0% ^B , 17% ^U ⁵
		GSP		6.5%			3%	15% ⁸	0% ⁵
4006.10 ²	"Camel-back" strips for retreading rubber tyres	MFN	5.8% ^B	10.3% ^B	4.9% ^B 3.9% ^A	2.5% ^B	7% ^B	20% ^U ⁸	30% ^U , 40% ^U ⁶
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	15% ⁸	20% 30% ⁶
4006.90 ²	Rods, tubes and profile shapes and articles (e.g. discs and rings)	MFN	4.2% ^B ³ 5.3% ^B	10.3% ^B	4.9% ^B 3.9% ^A	2.5% ^B	7% ^B	20% ^U ⁸	30% ^U , 35% ^U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	15% ⁸	20%, 25% ⁷

¹Corresponding CCCN numbers: 4001, 4002, 4005, 4006 and 4008

²Corresponding CCCN numbers: 4006, 4007, 4008, 4010 and 4014

³Of natural rubber

⁴Plates, sheets or strips

⁵Natural rubber other than latex

⁶Of natural gums

⁷Tubes

⁸From 1 January 1990 MFN 15%U, GSP 10%.

Table 3
Vulcanized Rubber Products

H.S. Code No.	Harmonized commodity description		United States	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Australia	New Zealand
4007.00	Rubber thread and cord	MFN	4.2%B	6.8%B, ² 10.3%B	4.9%B 3.9%A	6.2%B	0%B, ⁶ 5%B	25%U	5%U
		GSP	0%	0% ² 6.5%	(0%)	0%	2.5%	20%	0%
4008.11	Plates, sheets and strip of cellular rubber	MFN	4.2%B ¹	10.3%B	4.6%B	5.8%B	7%B	25%U, ⁷ 15%U	20%U, 30%B, 40%U ⁴
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20% ⁷ 10% ⁷	15% 15% 30% ⁴
4008.19	Rods and profile shapes of cellular rubber	MFN	4.2%B ¹	10.3%B	4.6%B	4.4%B	7%B	25%U	40%U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	30%
4008.21	Plates, sheets and strip of non-cellular rubber	MFN	3.4%B	0%B, 10.3%B	4.9%B 3.9%A	4.9%B	7%B	20%U	20%U, 40%U ⁴
		GSP	-	6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	15%	15% 30% ⁷
4008.29	Rods and profile shapes of non-cellular rubber	MFN	5.8%B	10.8%B	4.9%B 3.9%A	4.4%B	7%B	25%U	40%U
		GSP	0%	7%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	30%
4009.10	Tubes, pipes and hoses - not reinforced or otherwise combined with other material ³	MFN	3.1%B	11.3%B	4.6%B	4.9%B	7%B	40%B 25%A	45%U
		GSP	0%	7.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	35%
4009.20	- Reinforced or otherwise combined only with metals ³	MFN	3.1%B	11.3%B	4.6%B	4.9%	7%	40%B 25%A	45%U
		GSP	0%	7.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	35%
4009.30	- Reinforced or otherwise combined only with textile materials ³	MFN	3.1%B	11.3%B	4.6%B	4.9%B	7%B	40%B 25%A	45%U
		GSP	0%	7.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	35%
4009.40	- Reinforced or otherwise combined with other materials ³	MFN	3.1%B	11.3%B	4.6%B	4.9%B	7%B	40%B 25%A	45%U
		GSP	0%	7.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	35%
4004.50	- With fittings	MFN	3.1%B	11.3%B	4.6%B	4.9%B	7%B	40%B 25%A	45%U, 55%U ⁵
		GSP	0%	7.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	35% 45%

¹ Of natural rubber. 6.6%B for products of synthetic rubber

² Not covered

³ Without fittings

⁴ Other than flooring

⁵ Hydraulic brake hoses for use in the assembly of motor vehicles as may be determined.

⁶ For products with a diameter of 2 mm or more only.

⁷ Of expanded foam rubber combined with textile fabric.

Table 4
Rubber Tyres and Tubes

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		United States	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Finland	Australia	New Zealand
4011 4011.10	New pneumatic tyres: - for motor cars	MFN	4%B	10.7%B	0%B	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	25%U	40%U ⁵ 55%U ⁵
		GSP	0%	7%		(0%) ⁴	10%	-	20%	-
4011.20	- for buses or lorries	MFN	4%B	10.7%B	0%B	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	25%U	40%U ⁵ 55%U ⁵
		GSP	0%	7%		(0%) ⁴	10%	-	20%	-
4011.40	- for motor cycles	MFN	4%B	10.7%B	0%B, ³ 4.2%B 3.4%A	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	0%U	40%U
		GSP	0%	7%	(0%) ⁴	(0%)	10%	-		-
4011.50	- for bicycles	MFN	5%B	11.7%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	27.5%B 0%A	40% or \$2.5 each
		GSP	-	7%	(0%)	(0%) ⁴	10%	-		20% or \$2.5 each
4011.91	- having a "herring-bone or similar tread	MFN	0%B, 4%B	0%B ¹ 10.2%B 10.7%B	0%B ³ , 4.2%B 3.4%A	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	15%U	40%U ⁶ 55%U ⁶
		GSP	0%	6.5% 7%	(0%)	(0%) ⁴	10%	-	10%	-
4011.99	- other	MFN	0%B, 4%B	0%B ¹ 10.2%B 10.7%B 11.7%B	0%B ³ , 4.2%B 3.4%A	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	15%U	40%U
		GSP	0%	6.5% 7% 7.5%	(0%)	(0%) ⁴	10%	-	10%	-
4013 4013.10 (4011)	Inner tubes: - for motor cars	MFN	3.7%B	10.2%B	6.5%B 3.2%A	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	15%U	40%U ⁶ 55%U ⁶
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	(0%) ⁴	10%	-	10%	-
4013.20 (4011)	- for bicycles	MFN	15%B	10.2%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	27.5%B 15%A	40%U
		GSP	-	6.5%	(0%)	(0%) ⁴	10%	-	10%	20%
4013.90 (4011)	- other	MFN	0%B, 3.7%B	0%B, ² 10.2%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	5.8%B	20%B	25%B	15%U	40%U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	(0%) ⁴	10%	-	10%	20%

¹ Having a size of 3,600 X 51 or 4,000 X 57

² For aircraft

³ With a width exceeding 10.16 cm

⁴ GSP no applicable to Romania

⁵ New pneumatic tyres, of a kind used in the assembly of motor vehicles as may be determined

⁶ For use in the assembly of motor vehicles as may be determined.

Table 5

Other Rubber Articles

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		United States	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Australia	New Zealand
4014.10 (4012)	Sheath contraceptives	MFN	4.2%B	10.3%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	3%B	7%B	25%U	5%U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	0%
4014.90 (4102)	Other hygienic or pharmaceutical articles	MFN	3.1%B, 4.2%B	10.3%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	3%B	7%B	25%U	0%B, 5%P, 20%U, 35%U ⁶
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	0% 25% ⁶
4015.11 (4013)	Surgical gloves	MFN	3.7%B	25%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	5.3%B	7%B	25%U except Malaysia	47.5% or 8 ¢ pair +20%
		GSP	0%	16.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20%	27.5% or 8 ¢ pair
4015.19 (4013)	Other gloves	MFN	3.7%B ¹ 14%B	25%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	5.3%B	7%B	25%U	as above
		GSP	ex0% ¹	16.5%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20% ⁸	as above
4015.90 (4013)	Other articles of apparel and clothing accessories	MFN	5%B	22.5%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	6.2%B	7%B	25%U, ² 25%U, ² 60%U ³	40%U
		GSP	-	15%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	0% ² , 20% ² , 55% ³	35%
4016.10 (4014)	Other articles of cellular rubber	MFN	4.2%B	10.3%B	5.8%B 4.6%A	5.3%B	9%B	25%U	20%P, 40%U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	4.5%	20%	-, 30%
4016.91 (4014)	Floor coverings and mats of cellular rubber	MFN	5.3%B	11.3%B	3.4%B ₄ 0%A ₄	4.4%B	9%B	25%U	20%U, 40%U
		GSP	0%	7.5%	(0%)	0%	4.5%	20%	-, 30%
4016.92 (4014)	Erasers	MFN	4.2%B	10.3%B	3.4%	4.4%	9%	25%U	35%U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	4.5%	20%	20%
4016.93 (4014)	Gaskets, washers and other seals	MFN	3.5%B	10.3%B	3.4%B	4.4%B	9%B ⁵	25%U	40%U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	4.5% ⁵	20%	30%
4016.94 (4014)	Boat and dock fenders	MFN	5.3%B	10.3%B	3.4%B	4.4%B	9%B	25%U	40%U
		GSP	0%	6.5%	(0%)	0%	4.5%	20%	30%
4016.95 (4014)	Other inflatable articles	MFN	4.2%B	15%B, 10.3%B	3.4%B	4.4%B	9%	25%U	40%U
		GSP	-	10% 6.5%	(0%)	0%	4.5%	20%	30%
4016.99 (4014)	Other articles of vulcanized rubber other than hard rubber of non-cellular rubber	MFN	3.4%B 6.5%B 5.3%B 8.5%B 4.2%B	10.3%B	3.4%B ₄ 0%A ₄	4.4%B	9%B	25%U	0-55% ⁷
		GSP	0%	6.5%	0%	0%	4.5%	20%	ex0-25%
4017.00 (4015) (4016)	Hard rubber and articles	MFN	5.3%B	0%B, 10.3%B	4.2%B 3.4%A	0%B, 2.5%B, 3.2%B	6.5%B	25%U	0% ¹ , 40%
		GSP	0%	6.5%	0%	0%	3.25%	20%	30% ⁷

¹ Seamless gloves. ² Driving dress, etc. ³ Garmets other than X-ray protection peliches. ⁴ Of a kind used for motor vehicles. ⁵ Without a visible reinforcement of metal on the outside S 4.41/kg.B, GSP S 2.20/kg. ⁶ Hot-water bottles. ⁷ Articles of hard rubber. ⁸ 20 per cent GSP rate not applicable to Malaysia and Sri Lanka.

9. Nordic countries (Finland, Norway and Sweden) and Switzerland provide developing countries MFN duty-free treatment or unlimited GSP duty-free treatment¹ for all items in Chapter 40 with the exception that Finland excludes "4011 rubber tyres" from GSP and does not apply GSP on certain rubber products from Hong Kong. The United States also grants such treatment with some exceptions (HS Nos. 4008.21, 4011.50, 4013.20, ex 4015.19, 4015.90 and 4016.95).

10. Canada grants natural rubber other than sheets and strip MFN duty-free treatment. Sheets and strip and most other rubber products are subject to MFN duties of 10.2-11.7 per cent or GSP rates of 6.5-7.5 per cent. Rubber gloves and apparel are subject to MFN duties of 22.5-25 per cent or GSP rates of 15-16.5 per cent.

11. Japan has granted all items in Chapter 40 MFN or GSP duty-free treatment. While its GSP treatment is subject to monthly-controlled ceiling limitations and maximum country amounts, these limitations are flexibly administered. In other words, imports under GSP are allowed to continue after quantitative limitations have been reached unless a particular decision is taken not to apply GSP any longer. With respect to tyres and tubes for other than motor cars, however, the maximum country amount is not flexibly administered.

12. The EEC has also granted developing countries MFN or GSP duty-free treatment. In 1988, all items in Chapter 40 except rubber tyres and tubes are granted unlimited GSP duty-free treatment as non-sensitive items. With respect to rubber tyres and tubes, GSP is not applicable to Romania and GSP imports from other GSP beneficiaries are subject to country-by-country ceiling limitations (see Table 6). The Republic of Korea is no longer a beneficiary of the EEC GSP scheme since 1988.

13. In Austria rubber products are generally dutiable at 5-20 per cent. Austrian GSP rates on all rubber products are equal to one-half of corresponding MFN rates.

14. In Australia presently applied MFN rates on rubber products are at the level of 15-25 per cent (mostly unbound) except for rubber garments for which the MFN rate is 60 per cent. GSP rates of Australia are uniformly 5 percentage points less than corresponding MFN rates.

15. In New Zealand MFN duties of 20-55 per cent (mostly unbound) apply on most rubber products. Its GSP covers all rubber products except certain rubber tyres and tubes. Its GSP rates are mostly 10-20 per cent less than corresponding MFN rates.

¹The expression "provide developing countries duty-free treatment" is used in this document to provide a succinct picture of the tariff situation affecting exports from developing countries. Details of such treatment, i.e., whether "duty-free" is on an MFN basis, bound or unbound, or under the GSP, are shown in tables.

Table 6

EEC - GSP Ceilings on Rubber Tyres and Tubes in 1988

Combined Nomenclature code	Description	Ceilings
		Individual ceiling for countries or territories (ECU)
4011 40 00 4011 50 10 4011 50 90 4013 20 00 4013 90 10 (*)(d)	New pneumatic tyres and inner tubes of rubber of a kind used on bicycles and motorcycles (including tyre flaps and tyre cases with sewn-in inner tubes for racing bicycles)	3 500 000
4011 10 00 4011 20 00 4011 30 90 4011 99 00 4012 10 90 4012 90 10 4012 90 90 4013 10 10 4013 10 90 4013 90 90 (*)	Other new pneumatic tyres and inner tubes of rubber	4 700 000

* GSP not applicable to Romania

Source: EC Official Journal L 350 - 12.12.87

(b) Non-Tariff Measures

16. Norway restricts imports of new pneumatic tyres for passenger cars from Japan and the Republic of Korea. New Zealand maintains import licensing controls on rubber products in line with their industry development plans. Tyres and tubes will be transferred to "licensing on demand" as of 31 March 1989 and other rubber products will be similarly liberalized as of 1 January 1990. Japan restricts imports of rubber adhesives containing more than 5 per cent of benzene by volume of solvent (HS ex 4005, 4016) in accordance with the requirements of the Industrial Safety and Health Law.

17. Amongst EEC members, Portugal maintains quantitative import restrictions on such rubber products as rubber plates and sheets, rubber tubing, rubber apparel and miscellaneous rubber articles. However, those restrictions will be removed on 31 December 1992 as provided for in the accession agreement of the country with the EEC. Five EEC member countries maintain restrictions on rubber tyres and tubes. Spain restricts imports of rubber tyres and inner tubes. Greece restricts imports of tyre cases, tyre flaps and tubeless tyres and Ireland restricts imports of used tyre cases and tubeless tyres for bicycles. Italy and Portugal restrict imports of rubber tyres from Japan.

C. Trade flows and consumption

18. Between 1981 and 1986 world production of natural and synthetic rubbers increased by 12 per cent from 12.2 million tons to 13.7 million tons, of which natural rubber accounted for 30-33 per cent. The estimated world rubber consumption was only slightly different from world production.

19. Table 7 shows main exporters of natural rubber and their exports in 1981-1986. All of them are countries in the tropical zone. Table 8 shows main importers of natural rubber and their imports in 1981-1986. Major markets for natural rubber include EEC, United States, Japan, China, USSR, Republic of Korea and Canada. Table 9 shows the consumption of natural and synthetic rubbers in main consuming countries.

20. Developed countries generally import natural rubber to complement their production of synthetic rubber. Brazil and India produce both natural and synthetic rubbers and import both of them to complement their own production.

Table 7

Net Exports of Natural Rubber

Year	Malaysia		Total (a)	Indonesia	Thailand	Sri Lanka	Vietnam	Kampuchea	Other Asia (c)	P.N.G.	Liberia	Nigeria	Other Africa (d)	C.A.C.M. (b)	TOTAL (e)
	Peninsular	Sarawak													
1981	1401.7	28.2	1455.4	808.7	476.0	132.5	31.7p	4.0*	30.8*	4.5	76.9	23.6	57.5	8.6	3105
1982	1316.8	15.9	1354.4	801.4	546.7	131.3	32.3	7.5*	24.2*	2.3	60.1	26.8	57.8	7.5	3065
1983	1497.6	18.9	1537.9	938.0	552.5	125.2	35.8	10.0*	19.0*	2.7	73.6	28.8	62.0*	9.7	3370
1984	1485.8	18.0	1529.0p	1009.6	595.2	126.2	43.0*	12.0*	19.0*	3.0	87.9	28.8	65.5*	8.9p	3525
1985	1426.4	17.4	1465.8	1000.9	685.3	120.4	44.0*	14.0*	24.7*	5.1	87.2	29.1	69.0*	10.6p	3600
1986	1444.3	16.3	1485.2	958.7	753.8	110.0	48.0*	15.0*	30.3*	4.9	90.6	34.4	78.0*	10.0*	3605

N.B. - P.N.G. = Papua New Guinea; C.A.C.M. = Central American Common Market.
 (a) - Including inter-regional trade.
 (b) - Gross exports.
 (c) - Exports from Brunei, Burma and the Philippines. (d) - Exports from Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana and Zaire.
 (e) - Including allowances for discrepancies in officially reported statistics.

Source of Tables 7, 8 and 9: Rubber Statistical Bulletin, July 1987
International Rubber Study Group

Table 8
NET IMPORTS OF NATURAL RUBBER

Year	Bulk -ton	Dom- mark	France	F.R. of Germany	Greece	Ire- land	Italy	Nether- lands	Port- ugal	Spain	U.K.	Total E.E.C.	Aust- ria	Fin- land	Norway	Sweden	Switz- erland	Turkey	Yugo- slavia (a)	Total O.M.E.
1981	28.1	3.2	163.8	170.0	6.2	6.8	120.8	17.4	12.0	91.3	118.6	738.1	22.5	6.9	2.6	8.3	3.0	24.8	38.4	106.3
1982	28.2	3.9	150.1	171.2	7.2	6.0	129.9	17.1	11.3	83.3	138.5	746.7	22.1	7.6	3.0	10.2	2.7	31.6	34.6p	112.0*
1983	31.1	3.9	153.0	179.5	8.2	5.4	113.1	15.7	9.7	84.6	119.0	755.2	23.5	7.6	2.9	11.8	2.5	40.9	38.5	127.7
1984	31.6	3.4	156.0	180.6	8.5	5.3	120.8	11.5	10.1	92.8	116.1	729.8	25.8	7.2	3.2	12.3	2.6	50.4	39.7	131.0
1985	35.6	3.5	155.3	202.2	4.0	4.1	133.2	11.5	10.5	112.3	133.5	777.2	27.3	7.2	3.8	13.1	3.2	46.1	44.4	146.1
1986	41.4	3.4	157.5	198.9	10.8	5.2	124.1	12.2	11.0	116.4	130.4	811.5	24.6	7.9	3.7	13.2	3.1	51.0	40.6y	144.0y

N.B. - O.M.E. = Other Western Europe.
(a) - Excluding latex for 1982 and 1987 onwards.

Year	Bulgaria	Czecho- slovakia	German Dem.Rep.	Hungary	Poland (a)	Romania	U.S.S.R.	Total Eastern Europe (b)	Egypt	South Africa	Other Africa	U.S.A.	Canada (c)	Argentina	Brazil	Chile
1981	13.5	52.5	36.6	14.5	28.5	51.8	217.8	415.3	6.6	70.7	27.0*	650.0	81.5	17.8	42.5	4.1
1982	15.2	48.7	31.3	12.3	49.1	18.2	187.2	362.0	6.8	40.3	25.0*	620.3	71.6	22.8	38.1	1.4
1983	15.5*	49.2	45.6	16.4	42.8	40.0	237.7	447.5*	7.2	21.2	24.0*	657.0	88.5	30.2	35.2	5.1
1984	15.0*	50.6	44.5	16.2	59.0	52.2	199.2	435.0*	7.7	32.3	33.0*	757.6	103.1	32.7	57.5	7.0
1985	15.5*	46.6	39.1	13.0	56.5	37.8	166.8	375.0*	8.0*	29.0	22.5*	769.7	103.7	21.0*	60.2	5.9p
1986	12.0*	42.5*	43.0*	14.4	22.6	45.0*	168.2	347.0*	7.0*	24.0*	24.0*	721.0	93.5	28.0*		6.0*

(a) - Including latex at gross weight as from 1982.

(b) - As there may be some double counting in the reported exports from Malaysia and Singapore to East European countries, it is considered that some downward adjustment in the total of the import estimate is required.

(c) - Gross imports; estimated re-exports are normally less than 200 tonnes p.a. However in 1984 and 1985 the U.S.A. reported imports of NR from Canada of 3211 and 4303 tonnes respectively. For 1986 re-exports have been estimated at 4500 tonnes.

Year	Colombia	Mexico	Venezuela (a)	Other Latin America (a)	China	Hong Kong	India	Iran	Israel	Japan	Rep. of Korea	Pakistan	Taiwan	Other Asia	Australia	New Zealand	GRAND TOTAL
1981	12.7	58.0	14.2	25.0*	118.0	4.4	36.8	13.5*	8.2	445.7	120.6	10.8	59.0	16.0*	41.4	7.7	3170
1982	14.8	47.4	14.2	21.0*	150.5	4.2	45.8	20.0*	9.7	413.5	118.3p	10.2	67.0	18.0*	37.9	7.6	3045
1983	14.7	37.3p	12.6p	20.0*	239.9	4.1	24.5	23.0*	10.6	494.6	127.0	10.3	81.0	20.0*	28.6	5.8	3325
1984	15.9	44.1p	13.5p	19.5*	215.7	4.1	38.0	27.0*	11.0	515.0	150.4	12.4	88.0	22.0*	36.9	7.1	3555*
1985	18.0*	65.4	10.0*	19.0*	163.3	3.9	34.3	22.0*	13.9p	539.9	138.8	13.3	93.0	20.0*	35.8	6.7	3565
1986	16.0*	45.0*	12.0*	20.0*	211.0	4.3	60.3y	24.0*	9.0*	534.5	179.9	14.8	117.4	20.0*	30.6	6.1	3580

(a) - Including Cuba and C.A.C.M.

Table 9
CONSUMPTION OF NATURAL RUBBER

Year	U.S.A.	Canada	France	F.R. of Germany (c)	Italy	Nether-lands (c)	U.K.	Other E.E.C. (d)	Other Western Europe (d)	Eastern Europe (e)	Africa (e)	Aust-ralia (e)	China	India	Japan	Other Asia (e)	Brazil	Other Latin America	GRAND TOTAL (f)
1981	635.0	87.0*	169.0	169.1	123.0	19.0	120.0	157.0*	100.0*	400.0*	112.0*	41.9	275.0*	181.9	436.0	462.0*	74.4	145.0*	3700
1982	585.0	76.0*	158.0	171.2	123.0	17.9	118.0	140.0*	110.0*	370.0*	109.0*	36.4	305.0*	197.0	439.0	503.0*	67.8	135.0*	3660
1983	665.0	87.0*	163.0	179.5	111.0	16.4	120.0	165.0*	135.0*	405.0*	98.0*	30.9	365.0*	205.4	504.0	546.0*	70.2	149.0*	3995
1984	750.7	102.0*	162.0	190.0	117.0	11.7	118.0	157.0*	125.0*	390.0*	98.0*	35.9	402.0	212.5	525.0	597.0*	88.7	157.0*	4240
1985	764.0	95.0	156.0	202.2	127.0	11.9	126.0	166.0*	143.0*	395.0*	94.0*	35.8	415.0*	232.7	539.5	605.0*	97.6	148.0*	4355
1986	765.0y	81.9y	158.7	198.7	133.0	12.2	130.0	185.0*	140.0*	375.0*	98.0*	30.6*	420.0*	251.7	535.0	650.0*		142.0*	4385

(c) - Monthly allowances of 1,200 tonnes for F.R. of Germany and of 200 tonnes for the Netherlands for 1987 are included to cover consumption outside the traditional rubber industry.

(d) - Estimated consumption for most countries arrived at by correcting net imports to allow for working stocks, currently at 1.2 months' consumption.

(e) - Including New Zealand. (f) - Including allowances for discrepancies in officially reported statistics.

CONSUMPTION OF NATURAL AND SYNTHETIC RUBBER

Year	U.S.A.	Canada (a)	France	F.R. of Germany	Italy	Nether-lands	U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Other Western Europe	Eastern Europe (p)	Africa (d)	Aust-ralia (d)	China	India	Japan	Other Asia (c)	Brazil	Other Latin America	GRAND TOTAL (d)
1981	2657.0	292.0*	472.4	565.4	388.0	85.8	367.0	426.0*	350.0*	2885.0*	232.0*	99.8	430.0*	225.6	1287.0	796.0*	275.7	433.0*	12265
1982	2350.0	258.0*	423.2	538.1	373.0	81.0	350.0	383.0*	370.4*	2800.0*	213.0*	92.4	475.0*	247.0	1236.0	821.0*	262.5	405.0*	11695
1983	2547.5	282.0*	439.6	575.3	355.8	82.1	348.0	380.0*	420.0*	2905.0*	194.0*	74.1	545.0*	258.1	1355.0	896.0*	269.4	439.0*	12355
1984	2812.0	310.0*	449.0	593.0	380.0	73.7	365.0	423.0*	425.0*	3100.0*	195.0*	83.4	613.0	269.8	1540.0	992.0*	311.7	435.0*	13245
1985	2763.0	268.0*	467.8	613.5	403.5	70.7	364.0	438.0*	448.0*	3142.0*	187.0*	82.1	600.0*	303.1	1487.0	965.0*	332.5	404.0*	13400
1986	2820.0y	274.0y	460.3	640.9	418.0	69.3	365.0	440.0*	420.0*	3175.0*	197.0*	78.9*	680.0*	321.1	1445.0*	1050.0*		408.0*	13080y

(a) - Grossed-up estimates to 1982.

(c) - Including New Zealand.

(d) - Including allowances for apparent discrepancies in officially reported statistics.

PERCENTAGE CONSUMPTION OF SYNTHETIC RUBBER

Year	U.S.A.	Canada	France	F.R. of Germany	Italy	Nether-lands	U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Other Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Africa	Aust-ralia	China	India	Japan	Other Asia	Brazil	Other Latin America	GRAND TOTAL
1981	76.1	71.9	64.2	70.1	68.3	77.8	67.3	63.1	71.4	86.1	51.7	58.0	36.0	19.4	66.1	42.0	73.0	66.5	69.8
1982	75.1	70.5	62.7	69.3	67.0	77.8	66.3	63.4	70.2	86.8	48.8	60.7	35.8	20.2	64.5	38.7	74.2	66.7	68.7
1983	73.9	69.2	62.9	68.8	68.9	80.0	65.5	61.8	67.9	86.1	46.7	58.2	33.0	20.4	62.8	39.1	73.9	66.1	67.7
1984	73.3	67.1	63.9	68.0	69.1	84.1	67.7	62.9	70.6	87.4	49.7	57.0	34.4	21.2	63.5	39.8	71.5	63.9	68.0
1985	72.3	64.5	66.7	67.0	68.5	83.2	65.4	62.1	68.1	87.4	49.7	56.4	37.1	23.2	63.7	37.3	70.6	63.4	67.5
1986	73.6y	69.4	65.5	69.0	68.2	82.4	64.4	61.5	66.7	88.2	49.0	61.2	38.2	21.6	63.0	38.1		65.2	67.8

N.B. - The percentage figures given above refer to the consumption of synthetic rubber expressed as a percentage of total new rubber consumed.

21. Tables 10, 11 and 12 show main importers and exporters¹ as well as their imports and exports in 1980-1984 with respect to rubber semi-manufactures, rubber tyres and tubes, and other rubber articles. World exports and imports¹ of rubber semi-manufactures amounted to US\$1.56 billion and US\$1.61 billion, respectively. Those of rubber tyres and tubes amounted to US\$7.35 and US\$7.91 billion, respectively, and those of other rubber articles, US\$2.10 billion and US\$2.27 billion respectively.

22. Exporters and importers of the three categories of rubber products are numerous although a major part of trade in rubber products takes place between developed countries. Major exporters of rubber tyres and tubes include EEC, Japan, Canada, Republic of Korea, United States, Brazil, Austria, Yugoslavia, Sweden and Israel.

SECTION II: Tropical wood and wood products

A. Product information

(a) Tariff and statistical classifications

23. CCCN/HS Chapter 44 covers wood and most wood products and CCCN/HS Chapter 94 covers furniture including wooden furniture. Under the CCCN, wood and wood products were classified only according to the stage of processing and product forms or uses. Under the Harmonized System, however, most commercially important varieties of tropical wood have been separately identified at the fifth or sixth digit level under four-digit headings covering logs (4403), sawn wood (4407), veneers (4408) and plywood (4412). Certain less important varieties of tropical wood falls within fifth or sixth digit HS code numbers for "other" varieties of wood.

24. Under the SITC, wood and wood products are often separated between "of coniferous wood" and "of non-coniferous wood" for statistical purposes. Most tropical wood falls within the category of "non-coniferous wood".

(b) Use of tropical wood

25. Tropical wood often has a pleasant appearance. This aesthetic value is often combined with physical qualities such as easy processing, good resistance and durability. Therefore, tropical wood of relatively high value is used for decoration (particularly in the form of veneers), for furniture, for windows, doors and frames, for ceilings, walls, parquet floors and stairways, for fine carpentry, for boats and light vessels, for sports articles and industrial implements and for lathing, carving,

¹Market economy countries only.

Table 10

Imports and Exports of Rubber Semi-Manufactures

SITC: 621

		IN THOUSAND U.S. DOLLARS					EN MILLIERS DE DOLLARS E.U.				
COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS					COUNTRIES-PAYS	EXPORTS - EXPORTATIONS				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
World Market Economy	1904263	1806899	1692937	1641326	1614755	Economies de Marche	1721504	1577163	1526454	1458936	1363548
Africa	a148260	173608	a122566	a123150	a90482	Afrique	5323	a3224	a3046	a3077	a1042
North Africa	44032	33924	55330	a3399	a3881	Afrique du Nord	706	229	a212	a247	128
Americas	a250367	a280319	242154	a206189	a243466	Ameriques	181443	186374	a150489	a168281	a209207
LATAM	a115874	a127322	112922	a85374	a86895	ALAT	15365	14023	a11528	a10087	a9811
CACM	17737	19140	a9776	a1941	a9776	MCAC	6281	5201	a4563	a4921	a3470
Asia	350655	392610	382734	a294254	a246260	Asie	142015	171290	178316	a164274	a191609
Middle East	a84848	a108303	a77234	a77234	a79294	Moyen Orient	a2117	2436	9677	a2361	a2109
Europe	1195760	995269	981864	956473	973997	Europe	1387264	1210803	1180692	1119232	1157001
EEC (Ten)	897247	723523	726439	711488	729475	CEE (D-1)	1179222	1025752	994604	927194	962004
FTA	292663	209156	205275	194015	197710	AELE	163630	143985	140239	133388	140387
Oceania	a59727	64892	a54720	a51462	a62749	Oceania	a5159	5274	4722	a4092	a4693
Germany Federal Rep.	340968	302339	196458	199566	200008	Germany Federal Rep.	360713	306438	305381	300660	311247
France	177442	154621	132497	131261	135036	Italy/Italy	210059	198373	203024	193371	196924
United Kingdom	115101	98324	107517	110725	106559	France	222057	182501	166078	148468	145470
Belgium-Luxembourg	102888	91443	90152	87012	85965	United Kingdom	216917	191361	160022	135129	140078
Netherlands/Pays Bas	106492	92439	86139	79710	86378	USA/ Etats-Unis d' Amer	126824	121877	103384	105947	125659
Canada	33216	39219	30923	30923	23133	Japan/ Japan	91853	114262	112393	100803	118229
India/India	24787	60170	55034	52706	57823	Belgium-Luxembourg	79002	72912	76726	76167	79951
USA/ Etats-Unis d' Amer	a7532	56187	46763	56773	72733	Austria/ Autriche	66158	60972	60636	58292	58182
Sweden/ Suède	67883	21359	31803	32580	35392	Sweden/ Suède	64078	34722	31850	50465	55280
Australia/ Australie	42768	48438	44978	34218	44724	Canada	34849	45143	40073	46976	70139
Mexico/ Mexique	a27013	a37314	61267	27974	a3740	Netherlands/ Pays Bas	47179	45304	42400	32491	39354
Switzerland/ Suisse	50927	42796	39253	38457	37417	Spain/ Espagne	29312	27951	28244	24088	31848
Austria/ Autriche	47693	39810	38447	36623	28743	Malaysia/ Malaisie	20999	20395	20549	a23571	30159
Singapore/ Singapour	40768	41141	33437	33381	36252	Indonesia/ Indonésie	21730	18340	21029	24023	24443
Nigeria/ Nigeria	a31999	33294	a17250	33043	a10134	Denmark/ Danemark	20237	18299	19890	21309	21692
Saudi Arabia	26479	34318	a2826	a31266	a28159	Turkey/ Turquie	14925	18042	17322	21660	22723
Yugoslavia	28713	30468	30070	30271	24870	Switzerland/ Suisse	18919	15347	15347	17170	14810
Japan/ Japon	26958	29814	29231	29940	31137	Singapore/ Singapour	10606	13382	11237	11630	13863
Denmark/ Danemark	32891	30308	30500	26626	27528	Norway/ Norvège	7189	7424	6981	6664	7995
Finland/ Finlande	34477	28660	29052	28367	25023	Hong Kong	994	2933	4124	7211	7810
Norway/ Norvège	32030	28419	28345	23719	22815	Israel/ Israël	4688	3801	4268	5795	7101
Korea Republic	10146	12749	21814	41569	15423	Finland/ Finlande	4710	4704	4620	4519	3181
Hong Kong	20374	23293	22581	27881	26377	Korea Republic	2504	4578	4713	4422	5830
Spain/ Espagne	30448	28452	20711	19829	20920	Brazil/ Brésil	5024	4834	5170	4082	47223
S. Africa Customs Un	32112	28107	20209	a12497	a14567	Argentina/ Argentine	4949	4518	4076	2841	a286
Algeria/ Algérie	18623	17207	16933	16576	a12004	India/ Inde	1827	43122	a2972	a3176	a2292
Iran	a13609	a18033	a19359	a12116	a9250	Thailand/ Thaïlande	3417	2862	3127	2685	3617
Brazil/ Brésil	21836	26798	13466	7896	6016	Malaysia/ Malaisie	2017	3056	3229	2180	2142
Indonesia/ Indonésie	16816	15971	14820	14820	a14929	Taiwan/ Taïwan	1816	1816	4845	1816	1816
Ireland/ Irlande	19239	18667	12481	12723	15854	Guatemala	1993	2088	a2456	a2327	a2118
Portugal	17242	15604	13467	11331	12292	S. Africa Customs Un	3541	2403	2183	a1968	a791
Greece/ Grèce	16001	14601	12640	12618	14394	Senegal	2239	2723	2478	2907	108
Egypt/ Egypte	4837	11199	13411	a1124	a1124	Australia/ Australie	2027	2174	1466	1844	2343
New Zealand	11740	11379	13417	11705	14680	Costa Rica	2062	2253	1670	a1321	a1097
Philippines	12738	12790	12188	9329	a4837	Chile/ Chili	2375	1592	a1525	a1661	a1661
Peru/ Pérou	18616	18199	13224	a4509	a2321	Pakistan	344	517	1331	1462	268
Malaysia/ Malaisie	10463	10251	11951	a6648	a2016	Uruguay	1038	1045	1099	485	a71
Lithuania/ République Lituanienne	6696	6716	10772	a7724	a7341	Mozambique/ Mozambique	a675	a790	a954	a954	a2953
Israel/ Israël	9092	9777	9004	8294	9009	Turkey/ Turquie	35	281	656	1043	1354
United Arab Emirates	5421	6213	11276	a7963	a7023	Kuwait/ Koweït	471	800	1074	a219	a31
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	a7352	a11045	a6272	a10176	a10267	Portugal	942	588	1705	274	287
Tunisia/ Tunisie	7282	7486	7991	7930	8397	Nigeria/ Nigeria	940	352	229	930	a93
Syrian Arab Republic	5833	3333	3844	10713	a6297	Saudi Arabia	376	497	245	a272	a189
Chile/ Chili	8767	9736	a3507	a1710	a9326	Venezuela	374	701	a775	a703	a44
Thailand/ Thaïlande	34273	62675	45277	7061	a2016	El Salvador	932	439	228	a276	a157
Venezuela	9545	11265	a1165	a2837	a2847	Philippines	1111	135	206	393	a117
Argentina/ Argentine	11892	8630	4879	3732	a2640	Colombia/ Colombie	662	419	262	193	183
Colombia/ Colombie	a337	5611	6755	3732	5232	United Arab Emirates	a283	a181	a280	a233	a289
Bahamas/ Bahamas	1037	1451	a2234	a1497	a1497	Greece/ Grèce	508	143	332	176	296
India/ Inde	4112	5489	a6008	a5281	a5616	Dominican Republic	43	87	147	244	a27

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHÉ)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Africa	10.4	8.7	9.9	13.0	10.7	a7.8	9.6	a7.2	a8.1	a5.8	Afrique	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	a0.3	a0.3	a0.2	a0.1
North Africa	3.3	2.8	3.2	7.4	7.0	7.3	3.0	3.3	a2.2	a2.7	Afrique du Nord	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	a0.0	a0.0
Americas	12.5	12.4	11.5	13.6	a14.0	a13.2	a13.5	14.3	a12.6	a13.0	Ameriques	12.3	12.8	12.2	9.3	10.1	10.6	11.8	a10.5	a11.6	a13.4
LATAM	8.9	4.8	4.5	4.5	a4.3	a4.1	a7.0	a0.7	a6.0	a5.0	ALAT	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.9	a0.7	a0.7	a0.6	
CACM	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.8	a0.7	a0.6	MCAC	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	a0.3	a0.3	
Asia	30.9	11.6	12.1	a11.6	11.7	12.2	16.2	16.7	a17.9	a15.1	Asie	6.3	6.2	6.9	6.1	7.3	8.3	10.9	11.6	a11.3	
Middle East	3.7	a3.5	a3.4	a2.8	a4.1	a4.5	a6.0	a6.9	a6.0	a6.0	Moyen Orient	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	a0.1	a0.1	0.2	0.6	a0.7	
Europe	61.5	64.0	63.2	56.8	60.6	61.8	55.1	58.0	58.3	60.3	Europe	73.6	73.4	73.1	61.9	61.8	60.6	74.8	77.3	73.7	
EEC (Ten)	42.7	45.3	46.3	42.6	44.8	46.3	40.6	42.9	43.3	45.2	CEE (D-1)	64.9	63.6	63.0	60.3	60.9	60.5	63.0	63.2	64.2	
FTA	15.3	14.6	14.0	12.6	12.6	13.3	11.6	17.0	11.8	12.7	AELE	8.9	8.1	8.4	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.0	
Oceania	3.6	3.4	3.2	a3.1	a3.0	a3.1	3.6	a3.7	a3.1	a3.9	Oceania	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	a0.3	a0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	
Germany Federal Rep.	11.0	11.7	12.1	11.3	11.8	12.7	11.2	11.6	12.2	12.4	Germany Federal Rep.	18.8	18.3	19.3	21.1	21.6	21.0	19.0	20.0	20.6	
France	9.3	10.0	9.5	10.1	9.8	9.3	7.5	7.7	8.0	8.1	Italy/Italy	9.2	10.8	10.0	11.8	12.6	12.7	12.6	13.3		
United Kingdom	4.7	5.0	6.1	5.8	6.1	5.0	5.3	6.4	6.7	6.6	France	12.0	12.4	12.3	12.2	12.4	12.9	11.9	10.9		
Belgium-Luxembourg	6.8	6.1	6.1	5.4	5.7	5.4	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.3	United Kingdom	11.9	11.8	12.2	12.7	12.6	12.2	12.1	10.5		
Netherlands/Pays Bas	4.8	5.1	3.2	3.0	3.3	3.6	4.6	5.1	4.6	5.4	USA/ Etats-Unis d' Amer	13.2	13.2	14.4	6.4	6.8	7.3	7.7	6.8		
Canada	3.0	4.7	4.3	3.3	3.2	2.8	3.0	3.6	4.3	4.3	Japan/ Japon	a7.7	a5.4	a4.9							

Table 11

Imports and Exports of Rubber Tyres and Tubes

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COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS					COUNTRIES-PAYS	EXPORTS - EXPORTATIONS				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
World Market Economy	8390758	8372137	7213233	7410133	7906162	Economies de Marche	7993139	8222481	6691858	6827217	7345352
Africa	242912	767286	2428543	2872293	2433842	Afrique	21497	1869	25071	14319	27290
North Africa	198007	230423	160916	2264042	194929	Afrique du Nord	393	1537	2169	14319	27290
Americas	2162834	2364810	21999103	2157111	2822079	Ameriques	898909	127543	203332	206308	1178513
LAIA	247887	446485	281510	162885	184950	ALAI	124792	4643	85907	123438	203297
CACM	38478	32358	4479	57647	52670	MCAC	23338	25853	22413	22619	19545
Asia	1245404	1292234	1212766	1271255	1294113	Asie	204468	232223	1759873	1984294	227937
Middle East	1017201	1039777	2836934	2839984	914944	Moyen Orient	74580	2331	42039	11699	38440
Europe	4041285	3610976	3342156	3214480	3097783	Europe	5009880	4513328	3989816	3916984	3873160
EEC (Ten)	3187655	2824262	2609609	2502913	2384145	CEE (Dix)	4203299	3819271	3317248	3287471	3173807
EFTA	786237	792065	648697	621098	602537	AELE	297876	261225	251599	256537	273498
Oceania	2216263	226711	230667	179495	226546	Océanie	18704	4426	13766	27307	26652
USA Etats-Unis d' Amer	1302354	1413456	1316329	1503414	1982521	Japan Japon	1382052	1632991	1344898	1516582	1633893
Germany Federal Rep	990504	909564	824199	773152	721377	France	1435989	1069128	1089293	1114100	1114100
France	587719	516324	483781	421020	401664	Germany Federal Rep	910472	82814	784417	759435	743260
United Kingdom	394512	369482	357010	412463	386980	United Kingdom	622255	582900	523969	413101	398578
Saudi Arabia	27842	307388	377712	336561	361232	Italy Italie	523969	467816	428844	413101	398578
Italy Italia	429283	339154	291467	268320	287337	USA Etats-Unis d' Amer	511241	621673	383944	310012	398578
Canada	318083	310061	225897	207115	432940	Canada	235961	333435	446325	446325	550815
Belgium-Luxembourg	328537	289531	265336	233274	219906	Korea Repub	477251	459641	282372	362540	470275
Netherlands Pays Bas	260583	245862	220810	222509	211906	Belgium-Luxembourg	410049	362358	338261	317783	301147
Sweden	227606	220170	204224	188698	189650	Spain Espagne	419920	370640	374285	263510	324715
Australia/Australie	168536	189498	162483	133466	201955	Netherlands Pays Bas	213826	224262	207636	219995	191586
Switzerland/Suisse	210350	176381	160255	165870	153614	Austria Autriche	147431	43226	132280	137110	135805
Nigeria-Nigeria	1166339	275968	600342	1019726	121845	Yugoslavia	86401	98943	96286	109344	101123
Iran (Islamic Rep of)	142704	179124	124772	109438	118143	Brazil Brésil	98727	81515	73567	94390	169722
Iraq	158805	165118	125166	149553	118143	Indonesia	66814	56935	64671	52642	38029
Japan Japon	106627	110649	111071	124831	124831	Sweden Suède	46332	53314	37189	36417	60007
Austria Autriche	123438	114488	100662	98336	99312	Israel Israël	86332	43139	39094	40711	42616
Norway-Norvège	106704	89451	89329	80629	80629	Kuwait-Koweït	57497	44440	25589	12445	1852
Denmark Danemark	100738	80059	85255	91983	88639	Finland Finlande	21656	21154	23241	21494	25003
Venezuela	126299	128230	101188	11934	14322	Singapore Singapour	7263	17501	19459	20068	20369
Kuwait-Koweït	126349	107176	86660	28460	27910	Norway-Norvège	22195	19154	18750	15403	18889
Algeria-Algérie	800 E	72708	92965	95965	83124	Indonesia	1920	27290	27212	29472	18484
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	53715	74158	42641	102315	43543	Guatemala	14354	6766	11285	11285	11667
Mexico-Mexique	7606	156043	48122	14073	12736	Switzerland Suisse	1627	17460	18276	10828	19898
Finland Finlande	80602	67501	59545	63716	57377	Thailand Thaïlande	17232	14830	11126	10726	13266
United Arab Emirates	81948	77891	46785	35863	47728	Denmark Danemark	13538	11665	11465	12766	19404
Cuba	48204	62906	52115	42537	27497	Turkey Turquie	14212	23235	9477	3321	49404
Egypt-Egypte	35233	63533	41422	46533	25255	Costa Rica	8754	9255	9328	19303	2752
Ireland Irlande	57620	53663	47286	48452	37401	Greece Grèce	3988	3572	7844	11371	12397
Syrian Arab Republic	4964	59831	44931	43746	21850	So. Africa Customs Un	1963	8642	8314	2603	496
Singapore Singapour	33165	41994	30945	35136	37076	Portugal	8840	8245	6457	7643	13251
So. Africa Customs Un	2612	49893	4278	44278	29257	Uruguay	161	3642	780	756	13585
Yugoslavia	27336	39492	38066	49775	68079	New Zealand	9934	7493	9662	4440	356
Spain Espagne	32524	39134	43025	35863	38096	Argentina Argentine	382	6339	467	8877	1354
Pakistan	36627	38611	26732	29288	35905	Hong Kong	21	3396	4971	6374	9356
Greece Grèce	34526	36373	34466	31540	27497	Malaysia Malaisie	6740	6199	5492	6374	5835
Algeria-Algérie	16766	12704	11450	17350	22027	Mexico-Mexique	195	398	1124	3291	30642
Chile-Chili	24272	41075	23515	33410	34807	Austria Autriche	1394	8431	3413	3267	1583
Colombia-Colombie	23737	28203	3184	23318	14121	Mozambique	802	676	3923	7743	3463
Hong Kong	19376	22063	15023	33675	32858	Saudi Arabia	3256	3323	2374	2764	2709
Jordan-Jordanie	27034	13383	23486	20985	26951	Burkina Faso	3116	2873	2867	1151	234
Portugal	28472	26195	26189	18121	18121	Zimbabwe	18618	699	1804	1230	110
Lebanon-Liban	242826	27197	16435	24600	18618	Bahrein-Bahrein	167	183	11795	11795	2299
Philippines	21148	17632	29617	14862	11901	Colombia-Colombie	2504	2049	291	1109	1109
Argentina Argentine	39545	22016	13763	17841	28278	Cuba	277	164	4324	2637	499
Oman	2733	21712	18176	17841	28274	United Arab Emirates	1409	1269	863	618	1881
New Zealand	1724	18196	19638	18003	26837	Morocco Maroc	722	303	82	1244	3244
Malaysia-Malaisie	15924	17913	18986	18911	14898	Lebanon-Liban	466	239	877	1002	879
Very Coast Côte d'Iv	23461	19381	21424	14898	14898						
Indonesia-Indonésie	20501	21263	17936	15816	14528						

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHÉ)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
Africa	8.2	6.4	6.6	9.1	7.0	7.4	9.2	8.0	7.9	5.5	Afrique	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.1	
North Africa	3.4	2.0	2.4	3.8	3.2	2.4	3.0	2.2	2.6	2.5	Afrique du Nord	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	
Americas	28.0	31.1	31.8	29.2	30.3	25.8	28.3	27.7	27.2	27.3	Ameriques	11.7	11.4	11.3	10.6	10.7	11.2	11.3	11.3	11.3	11.6	
LAIA	2.5	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.9	4.1	3.3	3.9	2.7	2.3	ALAI	0.8	0.7	0.7	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	
CACM	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	MCAC	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	
Asia	11.1	13.1	11.5	12.9	12.7	11.1	11.6	11.7	11.6	11.4	Asie	19.2	20.4	20.7	20.6	21.1	23.6	26.7	26.3	29.1	31.0	
Middle East	7.7	7.0	6.5	6.8	6.1	7.2	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.1	Moyen Orient	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	
Europe	49.5	46.3	47.6	46.4	47.8	48.2	43.1	46.3	43.4	39.2	Europe	48.8	47.8	47.6	48.5	47.8	47.7	47.5	47.5	47.4	47.4	47.2
EEC (Ten)	37.8	36.0	36.9	37.0	38.2	38.0	33.7	36.2	33.8	30.2	CEE (Dix)	38.5	37.6	37.7	37.9	37.6	37.6	37.5	37.5	37.4	37.4	
EFTA	10.7	9.3	9.3	8.6	8.8	8.4	8.4	9.0	8.4	7.6	AELE	3.4	4.6	4.4	4.1	4.3	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	
Oceania	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.8	3.2	2.4	2.3	Océanie	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	
USA Etats-Unis d' Amer	14.9	21.1	20.3	19.5	20.3	15.5	16.9	18.3	20.2	25.1	Japan Japon	15.1	15.7	15.4	14.4	14.1	12.3	20.6	20.1	22.2	22.2	
Germany Federal Rep	14.0	11.9	11.9	11.8	12.3	11.8	10.9	11.4	10.4	9.1	France	19.8	18.7	18.4	18.2	19.5	18.0	16.6	16.0	16.0	15.2	
France	6.4	7.3	7.0	7.4	7.2	6.9	6.7	6.7	5.7	5.1	Germany Federal Rep	13.4	13.4	14.2	13.2	11.4	10.3	11.4	11.4	11.1	10.1	
United Kingdom	3.4	3.3	4.7	4.5	5.1	4.7	4.4	4.9	5.6	4.9	United Kingdom	9.0	8.7	7.4	7.2	6.7	7.8	7.3	6.4	6.0		

Table 12

Imports and exports of other rubber articles (SITC 628)
Importations et exportations - Autres ouvrages caoutchouc

IN THOUSAND U.S. DOLLARS -					EN MILLIERS DE DOLLARS E.U.						
COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS				COUNTRIES-PAYS	EXPORTS - EXPORTATIONS					
	1980	1981	1982	1983		1980	1981	1982	1983		
World Market Economy	2203370	2299778	2030642	2126598	+2273141	Economies de Marche	1852523	2127187	2016065	2053308	2095234
Africa	+174445	317361	+174605	+163993	+171616	Afrique	+5870	+5567	+3744	+4740	+2738
North Africa	66064	83130	83488	+78503	+82838	Afrique du Nord	449	623	436	+546	649
Americas	+422183	+543987	+425882	+399422	+669031	Amériques	+163241	+538138	+518360	+557447	+572722
LATA	+146875	+227294	+88737	+115515	+120415	LATA	+21007	+23875	+19345	+17753	+25023
CACM	9528	9544	+9472	+12927	+12535	CACM	611	485	+1149	+2708	+3568
Asia	+318340	+337650	+338568	+375204	+350100	Asie	290391	344190	304629	+311274	+329271
Middle East	+108939	+129162	+115736	+113954	+107886	Moyen Orient	+2076	+2352	+3094	+3017	+2659
Europe	1208844	1024792	1009736	1015292	1050579	Europe	1387850	1233666	1183210	1173539	1187923
EEC (Ten)	886916	742410	732855	744928	772015	CEE (Dix)	1126671	990090	943618	940163	959017
EFTA	246292	214371	207183	207165	211525	AELÉ	183994	164215	160291	160773	176511
Oceania	+67558	76487	81851	+70678	+81816	Océanie	+5370	+5627	+6622	+6308	+5847
Germany Federal Rep.	265606	226694	228371	237475	246115	USA/Etats-Unis d'Amer	133375	501303	482688	520312	527161
USA/Etats-Unis d'Amer	187972	200564	226954	252169	356300	Germany Federal Rep.	418918	365997	378803	365384	367236
France	169725	143551	146500	142514	141340	Japan	202954	234931	207544	205250	220342
United Kingdom	104488	96075	106350	112090	120117	France	190031	185798	181106	181106	171094
Canada	68147	80348	73312	91924	106138	United Kingdom	201127	163301	144753	138180	123679
Netherlands/Pays Bas	92765	75032	71310	71513	71923	Italy/Italie	124789	117396	112525	123232	136665
Italy/Italie	98109	77456	62523	65208	75059	Netherlands/Pays Bas	74141	63306	60241	61087	62176
Nigeria/Nigeria	+21113	143640	+21070	+23813	+21070	Sweden/Suède	68517	61716	60422	59610	61726
Belgium-Luxembourg	84376	62860	58346	56238	58165	Belgium-Luxembourg	55211	47421	47954	51823	55746
Australia/Australie	49678	58357	64117	54546	64277	Yugoslavia	36220	45095	48337	43634	41245
Sweden/Suède	64238	55792	54201	54745	60909	Austria/Autriche	46639	45079	43899	42555	50589
Austria/Autriche	54187	46220	45987	49455	50397	Switzerland/Suisse	52851	44834	42245	42159	42643
Mexico/Mexique	+34938	+103706	+2806	34213	52542	Korea Republic	19607	22950	18711	26209	30225
Saudi Arabia	23973	40452	47412	+41967	+28292	Singapore/Singapour	18070	19694	24285	27264	20250
Switzerland/Suisse	49112	43398	40239	38970	41073	Spain/Espagne	24705	21562	19039	18760	24661
So. Africa Customs Un	39147	45011	37036	+27084	+29521	Hong Kong	8212	20087	14498	9729	10355
Singapore/Singapour	30839	37876	35247	35247	36200	Denmark/Danemark	33088	27933	7145	8746	10225
Spain/Espagne	40700	35316	36460	35275	39321	Canada	8034	11341	12800	15215	16626
Japan/Japon	40778	38659	36313	30448	33317	Thailand/Thaïlande	11522	14905	10291	12703	14254
Algeria/Libérie	26213	33088	28058	28081	+19936	Malaysia/Malaisie	10461	9213	12421	+13022	+14452
Yugoslavia	32966	29847	31987	26825	27404	Mali/Mali	15896	12703	81405	10722	12761
Denmark/Danemark	37581	27601	28669	30530	31379	Brazil/Brésil	11251	11920	11902	9393	10610
Finland/Finlande	32840	26737	26876	25723	25269	Mexico/Mexique	+6965	+9157	+8924	+6026	+12453
Brazil/Brésil	26453	25781	26758	22983	12914	India/Inde	10080	+12894	+5362	+5801	+5567
Korea Republic	16312	19885	22949	31267	26664	Norway/Norvège	8464	7406	7056	6552	6512
Indonesia/Indonésie	19498	16901	18043	38809	+29829	Ireland/Irlande	5321	4027	5668	6123	6123
Indonesia/Indonésie	30056	25708	23276	20985	20555	Finland/Finlande	6238	4603	5661	5793	5793
Norway/Norvège	+15634	+28239	+24631	+17002	+11137	Israel/Israël	4934	4131	4326	3600	4231
Israel/Israël	24269	25909	+16880	+11014	+11293	New Zealand	2565	3027	3067	3268	2567
Venezuela	20272	18636	18546	15870	15726	So. Africa Customs Un	4639	3590	2372	+3225	+1831
Ireland/Irlande	12987	16286	14879	18951	18839	Australia/Australie	2718	2545	3439	2250	3251
Thailand/Thaïlande	11675	11981	+16190	+21883	+16737	Greece/Grèce	1905	2579	999	1921	3251
India/Inde	12828	13393	15084	20537	20912	Sri Lanka	189	676	2249	676	7177
Hong Kong	14149	14165	15932	+16278	+13741	Panama	26	924	1236	1149	1149
Malaysia/Malaisie	13027	12807	15358	16287	+8515	Pakistan	1853	1099	1122	777	1111
Philippines	13274	14036	14056	10976	10976	Columbia/Colombie	1068	1338	1202	675	717
Argentina/Argentine	21426	19705	11099	11496	+6590	Argentina/Argentine	1329	1175	771	942	1111
Bonanza/Bonze	12658	15401	14927	+10742	14665	Morocco/Maroc	1243	356	1007	1162	1211
Egypt/Egypte	8468	12463	16802	+11265	+11759	Costa Rica	166	174	442	+1208	+5512
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	+17124	+17160	+6564	+14649	+26240	Turkey/Turquie	278	165	930	1016	1635
Greece/Grèce	13754	13315	12239	11483	12192	Philippines	101	226	507	1271	+255
New Zealand	11928	12198	12876	11193	14031	Saudi Arabia	388	401	261	+584	+75
Turkey/Turquie	10909	11670	12272	11587	10431	United Arab Emirates	+119	+397	+342	+514	+243
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	6191	9784	8840	+12289	+5842	Tunisia/Tunisie	404	495	368	373	236
United Arab Emirates	10249	9644	10374	11288	11359	Nigeria/Nigeria	+60	+978	+98	+96	+6
Colombia/Colombie	9096	9581	11538	10007	6067	Kuwait/Koweït	311	442	217	+116	+16
Chile/Chili	8250	12217	+5002	+11857	+12720	Guatemala	261	95	+508	+372	+271
United Arab Emirates	5904	7943	7680	+9374	+6671	Lebanon/Liban	+471	+368	+186	+226	+185
Turkey/Turquie	10940	11359	5274	5015	14073	Bahrain/Bahreïn	263	236	171	+310	+25
Bangladesh	3110	6301	7920	7195	11554	Peru/Pérou	51	79	227	+328	+175

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHÉ)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Africa	11.9	10.0	10.1	9.8	8.6	8.0	13.8	8.6	8.7	8.4	Afrique	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	+0.4	+0.3	+0.1	+0.3	+0.1
North Africa	5.3	4.8	4.6	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.6	4.1	+3.7	+2.8	Afrique du Nord	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Americas	16.8	15.7	14.5	21.3	20.3	+19.6	+23.6	+21.0	+23.5	+29.4	Amériques	15.1	14.8	14.0	22.4	21.0	+8.8	+23.3	+25.7	+27.2	+27.2
LATA	6.3	5.3	5.3	5.6	5.2	8.7	8.9	8.4	+3.2	+3.3	LATA	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	+1.1	+1.1	+1.0	+0.9	+1.2
CACM	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	+0.5	+0.6	+0.6	CACM	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	+0.1	+0.9	+0.2
Asia	12.8	15.3	17.3	+13.0	13.0	+14.3	+14.7	+16.7	+17.7	+15.4	Asie	16.0	15.6	14.9	13.8	13.0	15.7	16.1	15.1	+15.2	+15.7
Middle East	4.1	5.9	4.8	+4.9	+4.1	+4.9	+5.6	+5.7	+5.4	+4.7	Moyen Orient	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	+0.1	+0.1	+0.1	+0.2	+0.1	+0.1
Europe	55.0	55.6	54.9	52.7	54.9	54.9	44.5	49.7	47.7	46.2	Europe	67.8	68.8	70.5	63.2	65.3	74.9	58.0	58.7	57.7	56.4
EEC (Ten)	38.4	40.0	39.5	38.6	40.4	+0.7	32.3	36.1	33.0	34.0	CEE (Dix)	60.2	57.3	59.3	52.6	53.9	60.8	46.5	46.6	+5.8	+4.8
EFTA	12.2	11.6	11.3	10.5	10.7	11.2	9.3	10.2	9.7	9.3	AELÉ	5.0	9.1	8.7	8.4	8.7	9.9	7.7	6.0	7.8	8.1
Oceania	3.9	3.4	3.2	+3.3	+3.2	+3.1	3.4	4.0	+3.3	+3.6	Océanie	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3
Germany Federal Rep.	10.2	11.7	11.8	11.4	12.1	12.1	9.9	11.2	11.2	10.8	USA/Etats-Unis d'Amer	13.8	13.7	12.8	21.4	20.0	7.2	23.6	23.9	25.3	25.1
USA/Etats-Unis d'Amer	2.6	2.9	2.9	10.1	8.5	8.7	11.2	11.9	11.7	11.9	Germany Federal Rep.	22.3	23.0	23.6	20.7	20.6	22.6	17.2	18.6	17.8	17.9
France	7.2	7.5	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.7	6.3	7.2	6.7	6.2	Japan	13.1	12.1	11.3	10.5	9.3	11.0	11.0	10.3	10.0	10.5
United Kingdom	5.0	5.0	5.4	3.4	3.4	4.7	4.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	France	10.9	9.6	10.1	8.6	9.4	11.3	9.4	9.2	8.8	9.2
Canada	5.5	5.3	4.6	3.6	3.9	3.1	3.5	4.3	4.3	4.2	Italy/Italie	11.0	9.1	9.3							

decorative objects and precision instruments. Tropical wood, often of medium value, that can be peeled is used for plywood and matches. Medium value tropical wood is also used as packaging and a large number of diversified goods (e.g. farming implements, rustic garden furniture and household equipment).

26. A detailed analysis of problems of international trade in forestry products is available in GATT document MDF/W/52, dated 15 August 1986. For example, developing countries' forest resource situation is examined on pages 60-64 of the document.

B. The commercial policy situation

(a) Tariffs

27. Tables 13-16 show the tariff rates (MFN and GSP) of eleven developed country markets with respect to (i) tropical wood in the rough and sawn, (ii) veneer, plywood, etc., (iii) wood articles and (iv) wood furniture.

An overview of the tariff situation

28. In developed countries tropical wood is generally imported free of duty as raw material. With regard to wood products, MFN duties of industrialized countries have been significantly reduced as a result of past multilateral trade negotiations. Most products in CCCN Chapters 44 and 94 (with the exception of certain sensitive items) enjoyed the 50 per cent tariff reduction in the 1964-67 Kennedy Round and the tariff reduction according to a harmonization formula in the 1973-79 Tokyo Round. Further, the GSP introduced by developed countries in the 1970's has covered industrial products extensively, including most wood products, and has eliminated or reduced duties applicable to developing countries in this sector to a large extent.

29. Nordic countries (Finland, Norway and Sweden) and Switzerland now provide developing countries MFN duty-free treatment or unlimited GSP duty-free treatment for all items in CCCN/HS Chapters 44 and 94.

30. The United States also grants such treatment with some exceptions (plywood, not tongued, grooved or rabbetted; certain miscellaneous wood articles). Canadian imports of logs, sawn wood and veneer sheets are granted MFN duty-free treatment. Most other wood products are subject to MFN duties of 4-15 per cent. The Canadian GSP scheme covers all of these wood products at the rates of 0-10.5 per cent.

¹Source: Pilot study of Markets of High Value Tropical Timber Products in Italy, prepared for the International Tropical Timber Organization by FAO, Yokohama, 25 August 1987.

Table 13

Tropical Wood in the Rough and Sawn

United States OXB (all items)

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Australia	New Zealand
4403 (4403) (4404)	Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared:							
4403.10	--treated with paint, stains, creosote or other preservatives	MFN	OXB	OXP ¹	OXB, 2.5XB	OXB, 3XB ¹⁰	OXB	OXP
		GSP			0%	1.5%		
4403.31	--other, of the following tropical woods: --dark red meranti, light red meranti and meranti bakau	MFN	OXB	OXP	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB
4403.32	--white lauan, white meranti, white seraya, yellow meranti and alan	MFN	OXB	OXP	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB
4403.33	--keruing, ramin, kapur, teak, jongkong, merbau, jelutong and kempas	MFN	OXB	OXP	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB
4403.34	--okoumé, obeche, sapelli, sipo, acajou d'Afrique, makoré and iroko	MFN	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB
4403.35	--tiama, mansonia, ilomba, dibétou, limba and Azobé	MFN	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB
4403.99	--other --other	MFN	OXB	OXP ¹	OXB	OXB	OXB	OXB
4407 (44.05) (44.13) (44.28)	Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm:							
4407.21	--of the following tropical woods: --dark red meranti, light red meranti, meranti bakau, white lauan, white meranti, white seraya, yellow meranti, alan, keruing, ramin, kapur, teak, jongkong, merbau, jelutong and kempas	MFN	OXB	OXP ²	OXB, ³ 4XB, ³ 4.9XB ³	OXB	OXB, teak, 5ZU, ³ 15XU ³	OXB, ⁶ 10XU, ⁷ 30XU ⁷
		GSP		(5%) ²	-		0%, 10% ³	0% ⁶ 20% ⁷
4407.22	--okoumé, obeche, sapelli, sipo, acajou d'Afrique, makoré, iroko, tiama, mansonia, ilomba, dibétou, limba and azobé	MFN	OXB	OXB	as above	OXB	OXB, ⁴ 5ZU, ³ 15XU ³	as above
		GSP			-		0%, 10% ³	as above
4407.23	--babeen, mahogany (Swietenia spp), imbuia and balsa	MFN	OXB	OXB	as above	OXB	5%U, ³ 15%U ³	as above
		GSP			-		0%, 10% ³	as above
4407.99	--other (not including coniferous) --other	MFN	OXB, ⁸ 6.8XB ⁸	OXP ² , 10XU ²	as above	OXB, ³ 5XB ³	OXB	5XB, 10XU, ⁷ 30XU ⁷
		GSP	0% ⁸	(5%) ²	-	2.5X ³		0%, 20% ⁹

¹ Except for Kiri; ² Of Lauan, kruing, merbau and other dipterocarpaceae family; ³ Planed or sanded; ⁴ Acajou d'Afrique; ⁵ Ebony; ⁶ Exceeding 6 mm thick, planed; ⁷ Exceeding 6 mm thick, sanded or finger-jointed; ⁸ Treated; ⁹ Sanded or finger-jointed. ¹⁰ For transmission poles, e.g. for telephone and telegraph lines only.

Table 14
Veneer, Plywood, etc.

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		United States (TSUS)	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Australia	New Zealand
4408 (44.05) (44.13) (44.14) (44.28)	Veneer sheets and sheets for plywood (whether or not spliced) and other wood sawn lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed, of a thickness not exceeding 6 mm: --of the following tropical woods: dark red meranti, light red meranti, white lauan, sipo, limba, okoumé, obeche, acajou d'Afrique, sapelli, baboen, mahogany (Swietenia spp), palissandre du Brésil and bois de rose femelle	MFN	0%P ¹³	OZB	15XP ⁴ 5ZA*	4ZB, 4.9ZB, 6ZB	12ZB	30ZB ⁷ 5ZU	10ZU ⁹ , 25.5ZU
4408.20 (TSUS 24002 03 04 06)		GSP			(OZ) ^{4*} (2.5Z)	OZ	6Z	OZ	OZ ⁹ , 20Z
4408.90	--other (not including coniferous)	MFN	0%P ¹⁴	OZB	OZB, 8ZB, 15XP ⁴ 5ZA*	OZB, 4ZB, 4.9ZB, 6ZB	12ZB	30ZB ⁷ 5ZU	10ZU ⁹ , 25.5ZU
		GSP			(OZ) ^{4*} (2.5Z)	OZ	6Z	OZ	OZ ⁹ , 20Z
4409 (44.09) (44.13) (44.19) (44.28)	Wood (including strips and friezes for parquet flooring, not assembled) continuously shaped (tongued, grooved, rebated, chamfered, V-jointed, beaded, moulded, rounded or the like) along any of its edges or faces, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed: --non-coniferous	MFN	OZB, 4.5ZB ¹ 7.6ZB ²	OZB ³	OXP, 2.5ZB, 7.5ZB ⁵ 10ZU ⁵ 12/ (OZ) ^{4*}	3ZB, 4ZB	6%B ⁶	15ZU	OZB ¹⁰ , 10ZU ¹¹ , 20ZU ¹¹
4409.20		GSP	OZ ¹ , - 2 (sanded, grooved)			OZ	3%	10Z	OZ ¹¹ , 10Z ¹¹
4410 (44.18) (44.19)	Particle board and similar board of wood or other ligneous materials, whether or not agglomerated with resins or other organic binding substances --of wood	MFN	4ZB	4-9.2ZB	12ZB, 8ZA; 10ZB	10ZB	13ZB	20ZU	20ZU,
4410.10		GSP	OZ	2.5-6Z	(OZ)	OZ	6.5Z	15Z	10Z,
4412 (4415) (4419)	Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood: --plywood consisting solely of sheets of wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness: --with at least one outer ply of the following tropical woods: dark red meranti, light red meranti, white lauan, sipo limba, okoumé, obeche, acajou d'Afrique, samelli, baboen, mahogany (Swietenia spp), Palissandre du Brésil or bois de rose femelle	MFN	8ZB, 8/ 8/	8ZB, 9.2ZB	15ZB, 12.5ZA*; 20ZB*; 17.5ZA*; 17ZB*; 13.5ZA*	10ZB	18ZB	25ZU	30ZU
4412.11		GSP	-, 8/ 8/	5Z, 6Z	-	(OZ)	9Z	20Z	25Z
4412.12	--other, with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood	MFN	8ZB (24017) (24023) (24025), 8/ 8/	8ZB, 9.2ZB	15ZB 12.5ZA* 17ZB 13.5ZA* 20ZB 17.5ZA*	10ZB	18ZB	25ZU	30ZU
		GSP	-, 8/ 8/	5Z, 6Z	-	(OZ)	9Z	20Z	25Z

¹ TSUS 20266; ² TSUS 20095; ³ Except flooring of oak; ⁴ Sheets for plywood; ⁵ Of lauan, kruing, mersawa and other dipterocarpaceae family; ⁶ Of laminated lumber; ⁷ Veneer sheets and sheets for plywood; Tongued, grooved 2.9g/Kg.+2.3ZB, GSP OZ. ⁸ Planed. ⁹ Drawn wood. ¹⁰ Moulded wood. ¹¹ Beadings and mouldings 7.2ZB, 4.8ZA.

¹³ Partially ceiling binding at 4.0%B (not reinforced or backed), and 3.2%B (not surface covered or surface covered in such a way as to not obscure the grain). ¹⁴ Partially ceiling binding at 3.2%B (other, not surface covered or surface covered in such a way as to not obscure the grain).

Table 15
Wood Articles

U.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		United States	Canada	Japan	EEC	Austria	Australia	New Zealand
4414.00 (4420)	Wooden frames for paintings, photographs, mirrors or similar objects	MFN	6% ^B	9.2% ^B	6.5% ^B , 5.2% ^{A*}	5.1% ^B	7% ^B	15% ^U	20% ^U
		GSP	0%	6%	(0%)* ^A	0%	3.5%	10%	10%
4418 4418.20 (4423)	Builders' joinery and carpentry of wood, including cellular wood panels, assembled parquet panels, shingles and shakes: -doors	MFN	7.5% ^B	11.3% ^B	0% ^B	6% ^B	13% ^B	15% ^U	25% ^U
		GSP	0%	0%		(0%)* ^A	6.5%	10%	10%
4418.30 (4423)	-parquet panels	MFN	3.2% ^B	5.5% ^B	3.9% ^B	6% ^B	10% ^B	15% ^U	25% ^U
		GSP	0%	0%	(0%)* ^A	(0%)* ^A	5%	10%	10%
4418.50 (4428)	-shingles and shakes	MFN	0% ^B	0% ^B	5.8% ^B	4.9% ^B	6% ^B	15% ^U	0% ^P
		GSP			(0%)* ^A	0%	3%	10%	
4418.90 (4416) (4423)	-other (TSUS 20330, 20700, 24560)	MFN	0% ^B , 5.1% ^B	4% ^B , 9.2% ^B	0% ^B , 3.9% ^B , 10% ^B	6% ^B	9% ^B	15% ^U	20% ^U
		GSP	0%	2.5%, 6%	(0%)* ^A	(0%)* ^A	4.5%	10%	10%
4419.00 (4424) (4427) (4428)	Tableware and kitchenware, of wood	MFN	5.1% ^B , 8.5% ^B , 5.3% ^A	9.2% ^B	7% ^B , 5.6% ^A , 4% ^B , 3.2% ^A	3% ^B	6% ^B	15% ^U	25.5% ^U , 30% ^U
		GSP	0%	6%	(0%)* ^A	(0%)* ^A	3%	10%	15% ^U , 20%
4420 4420.10 (4427)	Wood marquetry and inlaid wood; caskets and cases for jewellery or cutlery, and similar articles, of wood; statuettes and other ornaments, of wood; wooden articles of furniture not falling in Chapter 94. -Statuettes and other ornaments, of wood	MFN	5.1% ^B	9.2% ^B	4% ^B , 3.2% ^A	6% ^B	7% ^B	15% ^U	0% ^U , 25.5% ^U
		GSP	0%	6%	(0%)* ^A	0%	3.5%	10%	15%
4420.90 (4415) (4427)	-other	MFN	3% ^B , 6.7% ^B , 2.2¢/kg +2.9% ^B , 5.1% ^B	11.2% ^B	4% ^B , 3.2% ^A , 20% ^U	6% ^B , 10% ^B	10% ^B	15% ^U	20% ^U , 25.5% ^U
		GSP	0% ^A if not lined with textile fabric	7%	(0%)* ^A	0%	5%	10%	10% ^U , 15%
4421.10 (4428)	Other articles of wood -clothes hangers	MFN	5.1% ^B	9.2% ^B	5.8% ^B	4.9% ^B	7% ^B	15% ^U	30% ^U
		GSP	0%	6%	(0%)* ^A	0%	3.5%	10%	20%
4421.90 (4424) (4426) (4428)	-other	MFN	0-8% ^B , 2/3% ^B , 10¢/ gross B ²	0-15% ^B	5.7% ^B , 4.6% ^A , 5.8% ^B , 10% ^B	2.5% ^B , 4.4% ^B , 4.6% ^B , 4.9% ^B , 7.5% ^B	6% ^B	15% ^U	0% ^P , 10% ^U , 30% ^U
		GSP	ex0%	0-10%	(0%)* ^A	0%	3%	10%	0%, 20%

¹ TSUS 20665 certain wood blinds; ² 79005 clothespins, spring type; ³ Cellular wood panel;
⁴ Wood marquetry and inlaid wood; Kushi, of bamboo; ⁵ Match splints 40%^B not applied; spring rollers for blinds - 15%^B; other - unbound; ⁶ Forks and spoons; ⁷ Spoons and forks, wooden trays and fancy bowls.
⁸ Wooden marquetry and inlaid wood.

Table 16
Wooden Furniture

Note: This table does not show tariff rates on aircraft furniture.

H.S. Code No. (CCCN)	Harmonized commodity description		United States	Canada	Japan	EEC	Aus-trin	Aust-ralia	New Zea-land
9401 (9401)	Seats and parts thereof: --other seats, with wooden frames	MFN	3.4XB, 5.3XB, 2.5XB	15XB	4.8XB 3XA ² 5.4XB ² 4.3XA ²	5.6XB	27XB	30ZU	34ZU,
9401.61	--upholstered	GSP	0%	10%	(0%)	0%	13.5%	25%	22.5%
9401.69	--other	MFN	6.6XB, 3.4XB, 5.3XB, 2.5XB	6XB ⁴ , 15XB	4.8XB 3.8XA	5.6XB	27XB	30ZU	34ZU
		GSP	0%	4X ⁴ , 10%	(0%)	0%	13.5%	25%	22.5%
9401.90	-parts (of wood)	MFN	6.6XB 5.3XB	15XB	4.8XB 3.8XA	5.6XB	7XB	25ZU, ¹ 30ZU	40ZU
		GSP	0%	10%	(0%)	0%	3.5%	20X, ¹ 25%	22.5%
9403 (9403)	Other furniture and parts thereof:								
9403.30	--wooden furniture of a kind used in offices	MFN	6.6XB, 2.5XB	15XB, 16.1XB	4.8XB 3.8XA	5.6XB	27XB	30ZU ⁵	34ZU
		GSP	0%	10%, 10.5%	(0%)	(0%)	13.5%	25%	22.5%
9403.40	--wooden furniture of a kind used in the kitchen	MFN	6.6XB, 2.5XB	15XB	4.8XB 3.8XA	5.6XB	27XB	30ZU ⁵	34ZU
		GSP	0%	10%	(0%)	(0%)	13.5%	25%	22.5%
9403.50	--wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	MFN	6.6XB, 2.5XB	15XB, 15.3XB	4.8XB 3.8XA	5.6XB	27XB	30ZU ⁵	34ZU
		GSP	0%	10%	(0%)	(0%)	13.5%	25%	22.5%
9403.60	--other wooden furniture	MFN	6.6XB, 2.5XB	15XB	4XB ² , 3.2XA ³ , 4.8XB 3.8XA	5.6XB	27XB	30ZU ⁵	34ZU
		GSP	0%	10%	(0%)	(0%)	13.5%	25%	22.5%
9403.90 (TSUS) (72715) (72740)	-parts (of wood)	MFN	5.3XB,	15XB	4.8XB 3.8XA	5.6XB	23XB	30ZU	34ZU
		GSP	0%	10%	(0%)	(0%)	11.5%	25%	22.5%

¹ For vehicles.

² Covered with leather.

³ Shelved furniture (excluding cupboards and bookcases) designed to be hung, to be fixed to the wall or to stand one on the other.

⁴ Church pews.

⁵ MFN rate bound at 42.5 per cent except for tray mobiles, trolleys and the like.

31. With respect to all items in Chapters 44 and 94 Japan provides developing countries MFN or GSP duty-free treatment, with the exception that plywood is dutiable on an MFN basis and that GSP rates on certain sawn tropical woods (lauan, etc.) and sheets for plywood are positive at one-half of corresponding MFN rates. Japan's GSP on wood products are subject to different types of ceiling limitations and maximum country amounts as indicated in Table 17. Japan has made significant MFN duty reductions and GSP improvements following the 1982-84 consultations on tropical products.

32. The EEC also provides developing countries MFN or GSP duty-free treatment except for planed or sanded sawn tropical wood. However, GSP imports of some sensitive items are subject to quota/ceiling limitations (see Table 18 for details) Romania is excluded from the application of GSP on certain wood items. The Republic of Korea is no longer a beneficiary of the EEC GSP scheme since 1988.

33. In Austria rough and sawn wood except planed or sanded sawn wood has been granted MFN or GSP duty-free treatment. Wood products are subject to MFN duties of 6-18 per cent and wood furniture, MFN duties of 7-27 per cent. All wood products have been covered by GSP at one-half of corresponding MFN rates.

34. In Australia rough and sawn wood (except planed or sanded sawn wood) as well as veneer sheets have been granted MFN or GSP duty-free treatment. MFN duties on other wood products range between 15 per cent and 30 per cent (mostly unbound). The Australian GSP scheme covers all of these wood products. GSP rates of Australia are uniformly 5 percentage points less than corresponding MFN rates. If MFN rates are reduced, GSP rates will be automatically reduced.

35. In New Zealand rough and sawn wood (except sanded or finger-joined sawn wood) have been granted MFN duty-free treatment. MFN duties on most wood products range between 10 per cent and 40 per cent (mostly unbound). The New Zealand GSP scheme covers all wood products at 0-25 per cent.

(b) Non-tariff measures

36. Apart from quotas maintained by Denmark (EEC) on imports of wooden seats and wooden furniture from the Republic of Korea, only New Zealand maintains some non-tariff measures on products in this category. Recently liberalized products, i.e. exempt from licensing, include plywood, laminated wood, veneer sheets and sheets for plywood, shaped wood (excluding balsawood), wooden cases, wooden frames, and builders carpentry and joining (L/5640/Add.18/Supp.1). Remaining products are subject to automatic licensing (licence on demand): fibreboard (CCCN ex 4419, HS4411) and wooden beadings and mouldings (CCCN ex 4419, HS 4409), other articles of wood (CCCN ex 4428, HS ex 4421.90 etc.), and household utensils (CCCN ex 4424, HS ex 4419.00 and ex 4421.90). Wood shingles (CCCN 4428, HS 4418.50) are still subject to basic import licences. (Import Licensing Schedule 1987)

Table 17

Japan's quantitative limitations for GSP application (FY 1987)

M = Monthly control

D = Daily control.

Flexible administration = imports under GSP are allowed to continue after quantitative limitations have been reached unless a particular decision is taken to discontinue GSP application.

GSP Cat.	Tariff Nos. (CCCN)/ description	Control of ceilings	Flexible admin. of ceilings	Flexible admin. of maximum country amounts	Ceiling quotas by value (1,000 yen)
47	44.03-2 Of Kiri (genus Paulownia) (non-tropical)	M	0		1,109,989
48	44.04-2, 44.05-2 and 44.13-2	M			1,901,260
49	44.05-4 Of Lauan, Kruing, Mersawa and other Dipterocarpaceae family (GSP= 1/2 of MFN)	M		0	5,244,748
50	44.09-2 Drawn of bamboo 44.28-5-(2) Skewers of bamboo	D			4,017
51	44.14-2 Sheets for plywood (GSP= 1/2 of MFN)	M		0	978,499
52	44.14 (other than 44.14-2)	M	0	0	1,253,478
53	44.15	M		0	624,092
54	44.11 and 44.18	M	0	0	591,339
55	ex 44.23 Transom	M	0		5,755,764
56	44.24 Waribashi (disposable wooden chopsticks)	D			1,222,760
57	Goods in Chapter 44 not referred to above	M		0	20,078,038
140	Chapter 94 other than 94.01-3 and 94.03-3 (other than of base metal or No.94.04-1).	M			25,646,465

Table 18
EEC - GSP Quotas and Ceilings on Sensitive Wood Items

Combined Nomenclature code	Description	Community tariff quotas						Ceilings	
		Beneficiary countries or territories	Individual quota amount	Amount of first tranche	Initial share of quota amounts allocated to Member States	Amount of reserve	Individual ceiling for countries or territories or other		
4411 (*)	Fibreboard of wood or other ligneous materials whether or not bonded with resins or other organic substances	Brazil	4 000 000 ECU	3 200 000 ECU	BNL 320 000 DK 147 200 D 777 600 GR 60 800 E 188 800 F 569 600 IRL 28 800 I 480 000 P 48 000 UK 579 200	800 000 ECU	6 000 000 ECU		
4412 (*) 4420 90 10	Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood Wood marquetry and inlaid wood	Brazil Indonesia Malaysia Philippines Singapore	86 000 m ³	84 750 m ³	BNL 3 730 m ³ DK 5 000 m ³ D 6 520 m ³ GR 160 m ³ E 1 770 m ³ F 250 m ³ IRL 1 710 m ³ I 730 m ³ P 130 m ³ UK 64 750 m ³	1 250 m ³	86 000 m ³		
4418 10 00 4418 20 00 4418 30 10 4418 30 90 4418 40 00 4418 90 00	Builders' joinery and carpentry of wood, including cellular wood panels							8 850 000 ECU	
9403 10 10 9403 10 51 9403 10 59 9403 10 91 9403 10 93 9403 10 99 9403 20 91 9403 20 99 9403 30 11 9403 30 19 9403 30 91 (*) 9403 30 99	Other furniture and parts thereof							5 500 000 ECU	

*GSP not applicable to Romania

Source: EC Official Journal L 350 - 12.12.87

37. The construction industry and the wood processing industry are the users of wood and wood products: domestic building techniques and regulations necessarily influence buying patterns. Technical standards for the use of wood products, which differ substantially from import market to import market, and phytosanitary measures to control insect pests may create obstacles to trade (cf. MDF/W/52, "Problems of International Trade in Forestry Products", 15 August 1986).

C. Trade flows

38. Tables 19-24 show main importing and exporting countries and their imports and exports in 1980-1984 with respect to the following six categories of products:

		Total of market economy countries (not including Taiwan Province)	
		Exports (1984)	Imports (1984)
		US\$ Million	
(i)	Rough and roughly squared wood (logs)	4,725	5,244
(ii)	Sawn wood	9,580	10,894
(iii)	Veneers	771	780
(iv)	Plywood	1,562	1,907
(v)	Wood articles	2,720	3,149
(vi)	Furniture* and parts, of all materials	9,526	11,521

* only a minor part is of wooden furniture.

39. Among the exporting countries of logs listed in Table 19, main exporting countries of tropical wood include Malaysia, Indonesia, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Philippines, Burma, Papua New Guinea, Congo and Cameroon. By far the largest market for logs is Japan, followed by EEC, Republic of Korea, Taiwan Province (China), Canada, Austria, Hong Kong, United States, Singapore, Thailand, Egypt, Finland, Morocco, Israel, Sweden, Algeria and Switzerland.

40. Among the exporting countries of sawn wood listed in Table 20, main exporting countries of tropical sawn wood include Malaysia, Indonesia, Brazil, Indonesia, Philippines, Singapore, Côte d'Ivoire, Burma and Honduras. Main markets for sawn wood include EEC, United States, Japan, Canada, Australia, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Algeria, Taiwan Province (China), Switzerland, Singapore, Austria and Norway.

41. Among the exporting countries of veneers listed in Table 21, main exporting countries of tropical wood veneers include Brazil, Malaysia, Thailand, Congo, Indonesia, Philippines, Côte d'Ivoire and Singapore. Main markets for veneers include EEC, United States, Japan, Canada, Sweden, Austria, Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Australia, Singapore and Tunisia.

Table 19

Imports and Exports of Rough and Roughly Squared Wood (logs)

SITC: 247
CCCN: 4403, 4404
HS: 4403

COUNTRIES-PAYS	IN THOUSAND U.S. DOLLARS					COUNTRIES-PAYS	EN MILLIERS DE DOLLARS E.U.				
	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS						EXPORTS - EXPORTATIONS				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
World market Economy	9357378	6429207	6060031	5990079	5244081	3706237	6687260	6378853	6231268	6726872	
Africa	107916	110770	106284	92907	82542	1113670	601683	603315	620470	563363	
North Africa	53679	90723	76230	68075	59235	1706	104	231	161	1363	
Americas	160700	131291	133345	163826	116156	172951	1233823	149676	149813	130724	
LAIA	39484	33740	19336	21788	12644	7087	23275	106154	10453	103465	
CACM	1109	1645	677	1435	1090	4905	2914	4617	973	1972	
Asia	6761997	4379622	4501090	3829250	3821802	2943486	1934847	1982771	1903542	2055991	
Middle East	117148	140181	153780	194893	24488	2978	4239	23180	6212	1727	
Europe	234430	1394260	1316531	1199141	1164701	731113	605804	68313	63705	452728	
EEC (Ten)	1803286	1184368	160014	905966	886074	362221	279144	233544	232372	242087	
EEA	323706	293078	249904	292038	192743	328188	291528	197652	171639	183268	
Oceania	42790	43645	29972	28837	23279	119736	111123	120227	123838	151064	
Japan/Japan	3600230	3640266	3542792	3003936	3038284	1200030	1072122	1447487	1424664	1521604	
Korea Republic	600238	671866	611238	391636	371066	1814819	1129582	1293637	1194507	1203482	
Italy/Italy	632990	433909	382584	284403	293001	1532927	637653	27259	286086	253264	
Germany Federal Rep.	420849	246870	226878	240600	224227	244025	271997	21223	196180	227027	
France	327903	237410	211440	192976	182810	154548	113171	8728	96375	110460	
Austria/Austria	127800	106233	102927	94874	78058	271803	94440	98148	97580	144751	
Spain/Espagne	180518	76234	39875	71417	72361	6714	34374	120913	130915	185874	
Swiss Arabia	72328	92978	93970	17329	19404	101276	114343	60447	66184	68058	
Canada	69286	61142	49264	61234	108347	71239	25164	102900	107800	98300	
Portugal	65791	89240	67327	29731	40348	91971	76098	7677	73740	140279	
Belgium/Luxembourg	117083	73244	53004	31873	36489	106173	88333	72668	60748	64563	
Hong Kong	67976	32927	35810	44837	50176	458709	463843	462072	63182	90100	
China/Great	77183	38351	42750	51449	46649	4298	44760	6429	17323	95688	
USA/Etats-Unis d' Amer	24043	35423	37874	45223	33365	15689	60703	62408	40828	52307	
Netherlands/Pays Bas	64738	40321	33442	33947	33793	106777	80341	39252	42157	45620	
Singapore/Singapour	36443	19136	30747	34438	29930	49238	50523	45788	46906	60996	
United Kingdom	33472	32300	34317	27423	26124	76561	61108	43253	37466	41844	
Egypt/Egypte	21674	27152	28122	32213	30466	110805	52718	43272	23440	33296	
Syria Arab Republic	9078	11222	20918	50900	19030	43797	23213	29918	22325	23327	
Yugoslavia	37281	38340	26352	14623	14289	34023	29429	27438	25159	24117	
Morocco/Maroc	23280	36400	30259	116189	22440	25926	29133	28425	22084	24338	
Israel/Israël	22460	23272	19214	22920	22100	64480	39144	21610	25353	17528	
Algeria/Algérie	19484	18257	12003	35182	19233	27258	12079	19589	16126	14620	
Tunisia/Tunis	29780	33830	29900	21610	27903	20438	19896	14242	13644	16961	
Switzerland/Suisse	41689	31296	20107	19425	18924	10877	27922	35588	39184	45582	
Denmark/Danemark	6408	26693	23236	17641	19326	12366	8190	16139	9700	7903	
Thailand/Thaïlande	10287	13451	14585	11641	36182	4840	6014	1809	6353	4649	
Vietnam	16349	18745	10155	2844	2844	16615	113322	11483	4916	10892	
Norway/Norvège	12644	11919	8061	10108	7499	437	4307	2724	3259	17122	
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	18316	16732	4094	4736	4809	17435	11614	2793	7312	8310	
Demark/Danemark	21643	8494	8764	8030	10113	27407	11713	40600	32323	63500	
Dominican Republic	10927	6310	3271	8478	14	12905	8793	8478	5268	4275	
Brazil/Brésil	8711	6484	3922	8474	10537	4722	6882	501	9411	8358	
So. Africa/Coteaux Un	12223	9796	5340	4509	4600	2578	4806	7221	17340	10330	
Mexico/Mexico	1900	740	4493	6329	4212	4937	3244	4272	348	1030	
Ireland/Irlande	6283	8031	292	1905	2507	11278	12184	4713	474	321	
United Arab Emirates	3504	4233	3287	1200	11960	2727	4221	3425	3946	2037	
Libya Arab Jamahiriya	6132	10127	4382	2342	2342	3306	4400	2926	2644	963	
Turkey/Turquie	4828	4184	2910	3358	3200	511	4632	2842	2775	2463	
Oman	43196	4603	3704	2293	2904	225	4067	1197	1197	1245	
Bangladesh	4750	5084	2934	1098	3234	4983	2838	4531	368	1017	
Korea Republic	69184	62112	52111	687	11276	1547	1960	2798	4535	1017	
Poland	1004	3160	3211	641	238	6683	2519	2867	2217	1144	
Saint Christopher & Nevis	304	3725	2972	185	215	1212	1468	2863	2293	1248	
India/Inde	1438	3552	1549	661	108	1990	1890	1535	1993	1612	
Pakistan	4472	2780	1665	2221	1924	3211	4336	1910	272	644	
Ireland/Irlande	3728	3268	1892	1313	217	6182	2554	1637	329	11	
Finland/Finlande	4108	3267	1280	1018	1018	1942	1942	1409	1147	1059	
Lebanon/Liban	1943	1441	15	2667	2914	634	3473	422	332	611	

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHE)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Africa	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	0.7	1.1	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	13.3	14.8	14.4	12.3	9.9	16.7	13.4	10.9	10.0	11.9
North Africa	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.9	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Americas	3.8	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.7	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	22.4	29.0	28.0	31.0	30.2	26.3	27.3	32.7	33.2	31.8
LAIA	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	2.4	2.4	2.3
CACM	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Asia	78.3	71.2	70.5	72.4	78.1	72.0	71.1	74.2	73.5	73.0	40.0	44.6	44.6	43.8	49.3	43.9	43.2	42.3	43.9	43.3
Middle East	1.0	2.1	2.4	1.9	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.8	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.4
Europe	26.0	23.8	26.2	24.4	19.4	25.1	24.8	21.7	22.6	22.2	12.1	10.4	11.7	11.2	8.9	10.9	13.5	10.6	10.0	9.6
EEC (Ten)	20.2	19.2	19.7	19.4	13.5	19.2	19.4	16.2	17.1	16.9	7.0	5.6	6.0	6.2	4.8	5.6	6.2	5.3	5.4	5.1
EEA	5.2	3.7	4.3	3.1	3.3	3.3	4.8	4.1	3.9	3.7	5.2	3.9	4.8	4.2	3.5	4.9	6.5	4.0	4.0	3.9
Oceania	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.2	1.4	1.8	1.3
Japan/Japan	29.7	29.7	32.0	29.9	44.9	59.8	54.5	59.3	56.7	58.2	11.5	17.1	16.3	17.3	20.9	17.9	22.9	31.4	32.1	32.2
Korea Republic	7.1	8.1	9.2	10.7	10.1	9.2	10.1	11.2	10.9	10.9	20.8	27.7	26.2	29.2	28.3	24.1	23.2	28.3	27.6	25.3
Italy/Italy	5.9	6.0	6.2	6.0	3.7	7.0	7.1	6.0	5.4	5.8	19.3	21.5	22.7	21.8	24.5	22.2	14.7	7.7	6.6	5.4
Germany Federal Rep.	4.8	4.8	4.8	3.3	4.0	4.3	4.1	3.8	4.0	4.3	6.7	7.7	7.3	5.4	5.0	9.3	6.0	4.4	4.5	3.7
France	4.9	4.7	4.3	3.8	3.2	4.3	4.0	3.5	3.7	3.5	2.7	1.9	2.3	2.8	2.2	2.3	2.5	1.9	2.2	2.3
Austria/Autriche	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.7	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.5	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
Spain/Espagne	2.1	2.3	2.0	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.0	1.4	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.9	3.0	2.9
Swiss Arabia	0.6	1.3	1.3	1.2	0.8	0.8	1.4	1.6	0.3	0.2	1.8	1.2	1.7	1.2	1.0	1.8	2.3	1.5	1.5	1.4
Canada	1.4	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.3											

Table 20

Imports and Exports of Sawn Wood

SITC: 248
CCCN: 4405, 4407, 4413
HS: 4406-4408, 4409.20

IN THOUSAND U.S. DOLLARS					EN MILLIERS DE DOLLARS E.U.						
COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS				COUNTRIES-PAYS	EXPORTS - EXPORTATIONS					
	1980	1981	1982	1983		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
World Market Economy:	14224618	11217088	10109878	11235147	13894778	11031128	8975950	8031463	9234210	95801196	
Africa	743499	804035	728518	539811	569678	Africa	220847	176012	132699	153729	
North Africa	673538	696386	627018	529789	561748	Africa du Nord	207	637	104	55	
Americas	2923301	2774198	2323486	2376388	2400976	Americas	4431967	3909923	3302438	4344533	4674408
LATA	2588923	2109053	1641165	1890901	1544838	LATA	4429953	373386	240844	340992	434956
CACM	737	1477	1022	888	1197	CACM	20927	2795	4589	36175	52744
Asia	2740766	1735308	1851705	1801327	1664789	Asia	1529783	1232749	1183600	1161436	1235429
Middle East	801175	402382	584188	437583	493770	Moyen-Orient	30738	25697	33064	32775	116675
Europe	7966116	5653410	4988949	5255303	5049646	Europe	4742071	3540971	3127776	3319618	3226087
EEC (Ten)	7037147	4912142	4367148	4654078	4424478	CEE (Dix)	498057	371398	327963	345189	364736
EFIA	561037	455040	395572	386641	394075	AELF	3715862	2712061	2348141	2348141	2515406
Oceania	243007	250147	217221	203268	212301	Oceania	10658	90295	77952	47875	83880
USA Exports-Exports d'Am.	2204000	2102973	1789407	2807740	2644713	Canada	2898604	2554012	2410378	3237587	3410786
United Kingdom	1523173	1166477	1124175	1380234	153086	Suède/Suède	1287419	1031770	1052597	1207522	1187554
Italy/Italie	1627775	1024314	878389	778491	836200	USA Exports-Exports d'Am.	1060368	941434	819003	918866	846865
Germany Federal Rep.	1467948	942154	795917	912034	793819	France/France	1330434	915250	658000	704054	719531
Japan/Japon	1229353	784894	920386	816688	802463	Malaysia/Malaysia	617628	484636	498500	584922	583754
France	890469	593859	515020	448294	3732	Australie/Australie	84633	424017	427264	300566	463228
Netherlands Pays Bas	789328	522371	460953	521006	4706	Yugoslavie	84633	424017	427264	300566	463228
Belgium-Luxembourg	436998	319030	275855	269429	28248	Singapour/Singapour	265897	190253	202359	204810	202359
Egypt/Egypte	209643	209253	271382	183404	210556	Braz. Brésil	211471	210403	139855	166071	159642
Saudi Arabia	267185	207806	207058	201458	227465	Germany Federal Rep.	210933	176512	139876	163171	186155
Canada	250015	252538	155767	245792	243492	Indonésie/Indonésie	253202	216769	221425	33093	282502
Australia Australie	215892	222636	184530	174035	243945	Inde	222511	171319	157392	147862	160484
Algeria Algérie	187582	176488	175380	217267	175849	Philippines	181986	123766	78442	149087	153381
Spain Espagne	308051	202698	181599	179120	169190	Portugal	121283	75442	64925	74359	80459
Denmark Danemark	290746	181462	164982	209463	249227	Norvège/Norvège	84677	73354	66103	48925	74868
Singapore Singapour	158730	130171	135085	129754	17082	Belgium-Luxembourg	79694	68340	66215	69147	71264
Switzerland Suisse	159307	140515	119300	104227	119702	New Zealand	107054	63329	63599	64995	101016
Norway Norvège	126281	112626	113300	104227	10087	Iran/Iran	68623	43922	34602	34686	62430
Austria Autriche	138017	115180	99267	105436	103914	Burma/Birmanie	34077	46970	40261	40532	31637
Iceland Islande	113751	103462	76974	70316	69327	Norway Norvège	82748	49707	40261	40532	31637
Cuba	88263	88203	86321	72761	56245	Ch. Chili	130253	89529	118433	30747	67357
Iran	85325	85037	80354	57716	65363	Iran/Iran	40773	36315	38889	46885	34225
Thailand Thaïlande	44897	65976	59026	68238	61231	Morocco	70068	24106	42295	34462	50930
Greece Grèce	79917	39113	64883	69110	61231	Korea Republic	82539	48913	31815	19329	25867
Argentina Argentine	143104	89340	51715	48330	48896	Paraguay	44092	36281	29193	19000	16739
Indonesia Indonésie	41438	46060	68901	74115	71515	India Inde	635	67034	49888	4845	51109
Japan/Japon	75796	72553	56875	44908	22231	Japan/Japon	37302	27403	27159	22715	20447
Israel Israël	43614	54995	55322	57075	35143	Saudi Arabia	34469	33425	24580	23533	21095
S. Africa Customs Un.	77637	68102	56264	26910	26234	Italy/Italie	34469	33425	24580	23533	21095
United Arab Emirates	97967	63853	43515	40842	13091	Greece	21667	21586	16746	14889	15710
Tunisia Tunisie	67166	47585	53452	46023	54578	Comoros Comores	33334	10458	5872	9698	6201
Morocco Maroc	74627	60631	58860	27192	31655	Australia Australie	20471	17288	12053	12355	10069
Yugoslavia	44607	71468	38492	28424	24041	S. Africa Customs Un.	10409	4739	3462	30486	23645
Syrian Arab Republic	81886	61893	30762	21154	26399	Switzerland Suisse	27086	14632	13335	12660	13366
Kuwait/Koweït	50494	42715	40073	15338	18429	Hong Kong	34	12135	12043	15133	11979
Mexico Mexique	51911	60380	24335	16724	23000	United Kingdom	18549	14248	10543	11979	11979
Sweden Suède	80653	48992	28844	31272	36491	Malaysia/Malaysia	26909	18228	11886	10200	11297
Islamic Rp of	85332	44706	15267	14728	38437	Turkey Turquie	1673	3571	10724	22209	10839
Yemen	33842	16921	23936	40710	23972	Ukraine	13694	12724	10662	93110	10837
Korea Republic	13529	27924	28773	37993	47425	Kuwait/Koweït	16125	13335	16518	746	151
Jordan/Jordanie	21187	25070	26457	29495	6744	Gabon	4889	20877	1210	7430	6887
Hong Kong	28644	28341	30926	30533	27668	Congo	7531	11264	8790	10032	8532
Venezuela	17244	24441	24143	934	5709	Ireland Irlande	5638	7114	8900	10032	12545
Oman	20228	18300	23676	23266	24907	Zaire Zaïre	10232	9511	7186	4703	4601
Sudan/Soudan	13404	26376	11049	10523	1054	Zimbabwe	3733	3939	3969	3969	403
Maldives/Îles Maldives	21715	15782	15009	13764	13013	Papua New Guinea	12413	3790	4732	4830	5317
Romania Roumanie	12604	14753	14307	12356	11577	Alghemier	1146	2674	10740	2853	2853
Jamaica/Jamaïque	4230	13103	16907	10640	11577	Bahamas	1146	3684	4821	4004	3685
Brazil/Braz. Brésil	25315	17672	15899	7833	9241	United Arab Emirates	8823	3659	2404	2404	2135
Pakistan	8541	12133	20157	5769	5165	Mexico/Mexique	3632	4552	3697	4016	3702

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHÉ)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Africa	6.4	4.0	5.8	4.7	3.3	5.2	7.2	7.2	6.4	6.5	Africa	2.8	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.4	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.8	1.7
North Africa	5.2	3.1	5.3	4.2	2.7	4.4	6.2	6.2	5.7	5.0	Africa du Nord	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Americas	23.1	24.1	27.2	32.1	27.3	20.6	24.7	22.9	20.1	21.3	Americas	41.5	42.8	45.4	46.5	44.8	40.2	43.3	43.6	49.1	48.8
LATA	2.5	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.8	1.9	1.4	0.6	0.3	LATA	4.0	2.3	2.4	2.5	3.1	4.0	4.2	2.7	2.6	2.7
CACM	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	CACM	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.6
Asia	12.2	12.9	12.7	11.6	14.6	16.5	15.5	18.4	14.0	14.7	Asia	10.3	12.8	11.0	11.3	15.0	13.8	13.9	14.8	12.5	13.6
Middle East	3.3	4.4	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.6	4.4	5.8	4.6	4.6	Moyen-Orient	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.7
Europe	55.9	56.8	52.3	49.9	53.1	54.0	50.4	49.3	46.8	46.0	Europe	44.7	41.9	41.0	39.8	36.0	40.3	39.5	39.0	35.9	34.7
EEC (Ten)	49.3	51.0	46.6	44.3	47.6	49.5	45.8	43.2	41.4	40.6	CEE (Dix)	7.7	6.7	6.9	6.9	5.9	6.3	6.4	6.4	5.9	6.1
EFIA	3.3	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.2	3.9	4.1	3.9	3.4	3.6	AELF	34.1	31.6	30.5	30.0	29.4	33.7	30.7	29.4	27.3	26.3
Oceania	2.0	2.4	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.2	1.8	2.5	2.5	Oceania	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.9
USA Exports-Exports d'Am.	15.7	19.0	22.6	27.8	22.7	15.5	18.7	17.7	23.0	27.0	Canada	23.3	29.6	33.9	35.2	31.6	28.3	28.5	30.0	36.1	35.6
United Kingdom	14.9	14.2	12.7	10.7	11.4	10.7	10.4	11.2	12.3	12.1	Suède/Suède	10.6	14.8	12.9	12.5	11.3	11.7	11.5	13.2	12.1	12.4
Italy/Italie	8.3	8.7	7.4	7.4	8.7	10.3	9.1	8.7	6.9	7.7	USA Exports-Exports d'Am.	10.9	9.9	6.3	8.0	9.6	9.6	10.5	10.2	9.8	

Table 21

Imports and exports of veneer sheets and sheets for plywood

SITC: 634.1
CCCN: 4414
HS: 4408

COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS					COUNTRIES-PAYS	EN MILLIERS DE DOLLARS E.U.				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
World Market Economy	1027204	1024205	733768	768998	770326	France de Mettre	907200	751833	669942	759124	770676
Africa	37684	35147	32226	22292	26279	Afrique du Nord	77454	60180	54797	61625	63029
North Africa	26925	26112	22226	13576	26279	Afrique du Sud	2007	1024	904	3078	2114
America	149165	181201	134746	181777	190846	Americas	239342	423662	4207120	4251521	4251753
LAMIA	38931	40642	19320	14214	11581	ALA	56497	45339	44801	46725	45963
CACM	85	45	10	10	10	WCAC	771	1058	663	1190	1148
Asia	146957	170008	20936	49735	9083	Asie	103740	106431	104732	1137883	1136204
Middle East	89245	12377	12708	12325	12325	Moyen-Orient	17845	658	1483	15246	3222
Europe	659154	502841	441313	450206	452295	Europe	463563	347029	299376	304610	315431
EEC (Ten)	521207	399557	343158	363187	361042	CEE (10)	349316	237437	213594	226885	225287
EFTA	136474	103284	78155	77019	78253	AEL	57775	47759	45703	48826	46319
Oceania	14254	15008	14277	11903	11748	Océanie	23081	4524	3918	3453	4278
Germany Federal Rep.	217936	163556	14386	160207	14888	USA États-Unis d'Amér.	123034	98098	84890	108354	94276
USA États-Unis d'Amér.	103746	14557	96428	138653	148497	Germany Federal Rep.	123390	91498	81235	86825	89802
Italy Italy	60084	37636	48066	41839	49870	Canada	77587	75319	74050	94160	96283
United Kingdom	47381	43291	35115	44088	43245	France	82643	59622	47444	48294	49263
France	47344	48219	42387	36924	32884	Belgium-Luxembourg	32507	32764	33198	26144	25002
Japan/Japan	25029	20665	13534	31623	36116	Spain	41892	37382	33198	35739	36266
Denmark/Denmark	33104	27327	25786	30672	30719	Italy	48467	35894	29978	29757	25002
Netherlands Pays Bas	44292	26988	20022	21936	21280	Brazil-Brésil	34250	32881	29360	30734	31294
Belgium-Luxembourg	26039	23179	21271	22921	21238	Malaysia-Malaysia	16387	21153	22931	44444	440171
Canada	23256	27981	16245	26729	26284	Philippines	33964	31526	20247	27820	17547
Yemen/Yémen	50167	61107	1106	1135	95	Congo	30223	21420	20160	16300	119238
Saudi Arabia	22738	30107	29584	1954	259	Indonésie Indonésie	4902	1787	18267	18268	18553
Austria/Autriche	27523	19836	19774	20805	19452	Thailand Thaïlande	13161	12275	13059	16000	22242
Sweden/Suède	29868	18378	16342	20691	22660	Switzerland-Suisse	18560	14831	11551	13177	13554
Singapore Singapour	14116	11693	10653	17065	13175	Cambodia-Cambodge	13839	13261	10386	9355	4253
Yugoslavia	19287	20863	15221	12276	9316	United Kingdom	16496	13191	8468	9433	9828
Switzerland Suisse	18492	16583	15192	16558	16958	Portugal	9481	113968	11264	14188	11389
Israel/Israël	10116	13534	8203	7201	5307	Singapore Singapour	12068	9626	9186	10663	11872
Korea Republic	1863	8443	14420	17646	19193	Portugal	9494	9268	9151	10890	13673
Norway/Norvège	16889	3600	1775	9643	8816	Senegal-Côte d'Ivoire	23392	9810	9370	9902	17206
Australia/Australie	11324	11612	2312	9507	14382	Japan Japon	7106	7904	7839	11656	5476
Brazil-Brésil	13791	2410	1402	6886	6241	Austria Autriche	11198	9644	9245	8437	8247
Spain-Espagne	11742	7336	8163	7825	8179	Netherlands Pays Bas	16823	11159	7278	7726	7643
Tunisia-Tunisie	8492	7158	8059	7830	10602	Denmark Danemark	10406	8006	8172	8625	10515
Finland-Finlande	11453	8324	6660	6879	7251	Spain-Espagne	14782	9431	6853	5915	11022
So. Africa Customs Un	9195	6786	5338	6284	4263	Finland-Finlande	9409	7059	7495	7235	6888
Venezuela	9807	4634	4417	2340	1042	Sweden Suède	7883	6550	5884	5942	6649
Egypt-Egypte	2951	6597	5523	4907	4197	So. Africa Customs Un	2774	2732	2787	17499	15400
Argentina-Argentine	6953	4355	2828	3631	2850	India Inde	4214	27208	15469	14075	15463
Ireland-Irlande	3242	3627	227	2624	1657	Greece	46011	3760	3900	2158	1826
New Zealand	2166	2646	2766	2100	2753	Peru Pérou	5742	2905	366	16425	1647
Turkey-Turquie	2336	2113	2786	2469	3600	Zaire Zaïre	43419	33695	2780	2441	12160
Mexico-Mexique	4571	16481	4537	4244	4658	Burma-Birmanie	4783	4353	2445	2723	1530
Iran Islamic Rep of	6945	1536	1702	2997	1245	Greece Grèce	1460	884	2882	1485	1431
Cyprus-Chypre	2347	1791	1995	2005	1809	India Inde	995	1016	1883	2129	2254
Hong Kong	353	2465	465	465	625	China Chine	1304	1124	2141	2792	2095
Lebanon-Liban	1278	1236	1326	2387	106	Morocco-Maroc	1961	974	902	13676	214
Somalia-Somalie	84	485	17	3	10	New Zealand	904	1354	1497	711	217
Pakistan	192	1745	374	1234	26	Saudi Arabia	2148	376	270	2608	40
Malaysia-Malaysia	42	41	1155	9643	1232	Cote d'Ivoire	1584	1096	1096	458	1444
Niger-Niger	112	74	1572	1863	4391	Cambodia	196	1955	610	1184	127
Syrian Arab Rep	946	727	1107	124	2391	Brazil-Brésil	11665	476	1478	1860	1288
Greece-Grèce	978	5901	845	874	2182	Turkey-Turquie	439	60	516	1814	5079
Bermuda-Bermudes	745	169	580	677	108	Mexico-Mexique	717	2784	812	1360	1168
Algeria-Algérie	8723	418	1574	185	2143	French Guiana	1032	494	359	568	564
Morocco-Maroc	673	1173	376	511	445	Arab Emirates	4237	464	464	671	179
Ireland-Irlande	1219	93	998	93	472	Columbia-Colombie	155	514	283	202	169
China-Chine	930	1631	438	2770	4490	Australia-Australie	318	424	396	257	277
Portugal	1240	72	845	814	64	Norway-Norvège	612	407	377	176	107
India	1674	151	11	224	24	Hong Kong	402	462	39	245	42

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	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
	Africa	3.1	2.4	2.7	2.5	2.5	3.6	3.9	3.7	2.9		3.6	Afrique	3.4	4.0	5.1	6.7	4.7	48.5	48.0	48.2
North Africa	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	2.4	2.2	2.6	1.8	2.7	Afrique du Nord	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Americas	70.0	9.6	1.8	9.1	6.4	6.3	27.5	17.9	23.6	24.5	Americas	30.8	29.7	29.3	30.3	30.4	28.6	30.7	30.9	33.2	31.6
LAMIA	7.0	1.5	2.3	2.2	2.2	3.6	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	ALA	7.5	6.2	7.2	5.3	5.2	6.2	4.4	4.0	4.0	4.7
CACM	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	WCAAC	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Asia	32.2	3.5	8.1	10.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	8.8	7.0	6.6	Asie	8.3	11.5	12.1	11.0	12.2	11.5	14.6	15.7	18.1	17.7
Middle East	3.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	Moyen-Orient	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Europe	61.2	61.1	60.3	60.6	62.9	64.2	65.6	65.4	65.3	65.3	Europe	37.0	34.6	33.0	31.6	37.4	51.1	46.2	44.7	40.1	40.9
EEC (Ten)	44.6	40.1	38.1	37.9	40.7	40.7	43.8	42.2	42.2	42.3	EEC (10)	45.2	43.6	42.4	41.0	40.8	38.3	33.0	32.2	29.2	29.8
EFTA	16.7	2.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	AEL	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.7	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.6	6.4
Oceania	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	Océanie	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6
Germany Federal Rep.	18.4	15.0	13.3	12.1	10.5	9.2	8.1	9.1	10.8	9.1	USA États-Unis d'Amér.	12.3	10.6	9.7	12.4	12.2	13.6	13.0	12.2	11.4	11.4
USA États-Unis d'Amér.	7.0	4.1	5.6	1.7	3.7	7.7	2.9	6.0	6.4	6.4	Germany Federal Rep.	16.8	16.6	14.7	13.8	14.3	13.6	12.2	12.1	12.4	11.7
Italy Italy	7.0	3.1	3.2	2.6	3.8	7.8	6.9	5.4	6.4	6.4	Canada	11.1	12.6	12.4	12.4	12.4	8.6	10.0	11.1	11.4	11.4
United Kingdom	7.2	6.7	6.5	5.2	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	France	10.8	10.3	10.3	10.2	9.6	9.1	7.9	7.1	6.4	6.4
Japan/Japan	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.6	6.0	6.6	5.3	5.6	4.6	4.6	Belgium-Luxembourg	3.0	2.8	3.0	5.5	3.6	5.5	4.3	4.9	4.7	4.7
Denmark/Denmark	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	Spain	4.6	4.2	3.7	3.3	3.8	4.6	5.0	5.0	3.4	3.4
Netherlands Pays Bas																					

Table 22

Imports and Exports of Plywood

SITC: 634.2
CCCN: ex 4415
HS: ex 4412

COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS-IMPORTATIONS					COUNTRIES-PAYS	EXPORTS-EXPORTATIONS				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
World Major Economy	2141853	2157687	1928229	2141995	1926316	Europe	723427	832912	1533194	768207	1156702
Africa	85506	112635	89013	103925	54205	Africa	25536	4954	2265	1818	2742
North Africa	38069	65902	53763	63583	26168	Africa (Excl. S. Africa)	230	1404	1404	33	607
Americas	522895	619660	433608	520266	542035	Americas	247407	362254	222245	266225	268426
LATAM	49637	5957	4286	4381	4991	LATAM	8529	13965	2938	5332	5652
CACM	56	63	61	52	176	CACM				367	331
Asia	444887	423601	552930	532113	439716	Asia	60769	99337	237146	103814	484302
Middle East	214938	202049	236879	233763	245699	Middle East	2456	11156	21299	10537	2489
Europe	1052968	960186	818427	884345	824139	Europe	56786	476057	425832	412300	409260
EEC (Ten)	916587	854117	718548	791114	735343	EEC (Ten)	261459	183846	168220	151372	147810
EEA	135358	104376	98824	92923	97404	EEA	31602	271924	249946	236866	247243
Oceania	23597	41803	24056	28547	33397	Oceania	4763	16693	12904	16170	8573
USA (Excl. Alaska & Hawaii)	436218	500306	356618	494428	476830	Indonesia (Excl. East)	5376	161364	268236	42626	431280
United Kingdom	246825	292774	228745	291318	238279	Indonesia (Incl. East)	303876	237834	239607	224850	229416
Germany Federal Rep.	184565	161998	146519	155848	150356	Korea Rep.	304319	322726	160371	89519	44763
Netherlands (Pays Bas)	204830	166269	140368	150356	140305	Singapore	18954	183541	65141	18194	148494
Saudi Arabia	15370	10279	175148	119037	138632	USA (Excl. Alaska & Hawaii)	108688	178990	112401	42337	93173
Hong Kong	105274	115171	83928	75831	83655	Malaysia (Malaya)	112759	112315	9079	40119	107854
Singapore	76274	73884	71610	84583	86222	Canada	123311	110041	100564	115007	111812
France	116383	80678	72894	69262	60415	Philippines	110216	110088	66984	76332	47630
Belgium-Luxembourg	75415	70970	60609	54620	56516	France	89326	71063	66106	60474	54092
Canada	34166	71399	20865	44796	31433	Japan	49302	27717	34290	38530	32366
Denmark	48318	45447	43020	43036	43780	Belgium-Luxembourg	37651	14331	28331	23487	25790
Sweden	61907	45311	41268	39768	45090	Gabon	4905	23431	23620	23990	21058
United Arab Emirates	56463	45053	44831	48783	45090	Spain	22523	20287	17643	22862	20197
Kuwait (Koweït)	39488	38411	47973	40733	23399	Denmark	14697	17376	21033	15870	12674
Egypt	42397	42364	41364	41292	41292	Hong Kong	34970	26568	23230	14350	21898
Australia	31428	36904	30684	24686	28859	Germany Federal Rep.	12826	13586	12248	16232	19224
Norway	37146	31757	29792	27092	25387	Netherlands (Pays Bas)	28777	17219	14391	12339	12642
Algeria	26914	22148	13915	44606	12003	Canada	23503	16094	13512	8367	12342
Nigeria	29259	30493	15778	25310	4371	Iran (Islamic Rep.)	1649	8879	9641	1642	7641
Yemen	23619	17779	16170	24097	18688	Italy	6363	2179	8576	8423	3709
Oman	11422	19192	22963	23133	18924	Ivory Coast	453	987	9464	721	1535
Iraq	29229	18944	15303	15934	12799	Sweden	8479	9362	7279	8997	8839
Italy	26369	20603	13245	14015	14676	New Zealand	8494	6799	8507	6144	4500
Tanzania	11782	9154	20869	17244	25156	Saudi Arabia	244	172	7982	4724	
Switzerland	19973	15595	14509	13289	13516	Comoros	5444	4586	5232	4421	1475
Cuba	18807	15421	13069	13523	15137	Kuwait (Koweït)	1103	4587	8223	445	
Ireland	13161	15899	12547	11524	11563	Ecuador	10342	12595	54	37	1970
Japan	29113	10968	10135	12049	26703	Papua New Guinea	4013	4453	292	1768	2788
Bahrain	9316	12304	12314	8509	9347	Greece	14028	3547	2588	3874	4631
Oceania	5661	8071	10960	4846	4846	United Arab Emirates	1041	3846	2373	2345	1878
Malaysia	2965	5732	6578	10016	49026	India	306	478	1379	1226	1276
Austria	8893	6377	7206	7119	6954	Mexico	483	2	507	4533	1706
Jordan	2837	1956	6009	8428	2399	Switzerland	2526	2413	111	1294	1294
Democratic Yemen	18543	6738	1908	10601	2299	Switzerland (Excl. Geneva)	166	1897	311	112	1077
Iran (Islamic Rep.)	10246	6350	3318	3272	2792	Lebanon	22	2736	505	62	124
Korea Rep.	1812	1749	2087	6815	3686	Morocco	634	1848	1365	162	1564
Bahamas	3609	2738	2037	2041	1428	South Africa	336	189	205	2161	1608
Syrian Arab Republic	3609	3080	3891	2041	1428	Austria	756	810	986	786	352
Cyprus	3441	4888	3877	4537	562	Ghana	822	2655	161	344	239
South Africa	3629	2158	2790	3411	2511	Australia	148	1131	798	518	589
Trinidad and Tobago	2664	2297	2960	2638	2688	Brazil	57	53	78	76	910
Sri Lanka	9015	2070	2416	3272	3579	Norway	26	479	743	716	499
Mexico	4653	3457	1897	878	5942	Zaire	26	479	743	716	499
Jamaica	754	3647	1167	1413	1823	Paraguay	20	302	9	353	388
Greenland	2112	2198	1677	2152	2381	Peru	21	312	512	328	319
Guadeloupe	2543	1727	2031	2111	1913	Finland	51	712	688	116	102
Macao	3717	1744	1909	2111	2302	Barbados	69	352	248	345	617
Fiji	38	2079	3431	23	45	Cyprus	4	3	249	606	419

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHÉ)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Africa	3.1	13.0	11.8	11.7	14.0	15.2	16.6	14.8	22.8	11.9	Africa	2.6	4.8	1.2	1.7	1.5	2.4	2.7	2.3	1.7	
North Africa	2.1	9.1	0.3	0.6	1.8	3.1	2.8	23.0	11.9	11.9	Africa (Excl. S. Africa)	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	
Americas	1.7	2.0	38.4	31.8	24.3	28.7	22.3	27.2	28.3	28.3	Americas	15.3	13.6	4.3	16.6	14.5	3.1	17.2			
LATAM			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	LATAM	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	
CACM											CACM										
Asia	20.2	16.6	10.2	15.9	20.8	19.6	28.6	24.9	23.6	24.9	Asia	7.5	69.0	31.4	34.4	30.6	34.4	34.5	35.7	35.3	
Middle East	4.8	8.0	3.9	7.5	10.0	9.4	19.1	15.7	12.9	12.9	Middle East	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	1.4	0.6	0.2	
Europe	72.9	68.2	49.6	49.1	49.2	44.5	42.3	41.3	43.8	43.8	Europe	23.7	26.1	31.0	29.3	33.5	26.0	28.1	23.3	26.2	
EEC (Ten)	35.2	30.0	44.7	44.2	42.8	39.6	37.3	36.9	38.6	38.6	EEC (Ten)	1.2	2.3	12.7	12.4	13.0	10.1	10.8	8.6	9.5	
EEA	37.7	38.2	4.9	4.8	6.3	4.8	5.1	4.3	5.1	5.1	EEA	24.5	23.9	17.4	15.7	18.2	14.8	16.1	13.4	15.4	
Oceania	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	Oceania			0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.5	
USA (Excl. Alaska & Hawaii)	28.7	20.4	33.2	33.2	33.2	33.2	33.2	33.2	33.2	33.2	Indonesia (Incl. East)	8.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	
United Kingdom	15.6	15.4	11.3	13.6	11.9	13.6	11.9	13.6	11.9	13.6	Indonesia (Excl. East)	22.6	22.3	16.2	15.0	17.5	14.0	15.4	12.7	14.7	
Germany Federal Rep.	7.9	8.1	8.6	7.3	7.6	7.3	7.3	7.9	7.9	7.9	Malaysia (Malaya)	56.2	48.2	30.3	23.2	17.5	17.5	10.3	3.9	2.9	
Netherlands (Pays Bas)	9.8	9.2	9.6	7.7	7.3	7.0	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	Singapore	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	
Saudi Arabia	1.0	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	USA (Excl. Alaska & Hawaii)	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	
Hong Kong	2.9	3.6	4.9	3.2	4.4	3.5	4.4	3.5	4.4	4.4	Malaysia (Malaya)	7.2	7.2	6.8	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	
Singapore	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	Canada	9.0	7.1	7.2	6.0	5.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	
France	4.1	4.1	3.4	3.7	3.8	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	Philippines	4.1	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.0	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	
Belgium-Luxembourg	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.																	

Table 23

Imports and Exports of Wood Articles

SITC: 635
CCCN: 4420-4424 and 4427
HS: 4414-4416, 4418-4420, ex 4421.90, etc.

COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS					COUNTRIES-PAYS	EXPORTS - EXPORTATIONS				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
World market Economy	3365845	3392310	2924535	3103310	3149449	Economies de Marche	3128039	3225386	2827260	2765134	2719534
Africa	149866	371667	216870	197703	197703	Afrique	20185	15235	10741	26010	17149
North Africa	91217	319366	163379	199275	152052	Afrique du Nord	1796	2460	1579	1254	1792
Americas	295124	276373	265112	282878	1001308	Ameriques	75944	744182	632202	613545	630700
LAIA	40885	74027	45225	30604	30527	ALAI	123918	129905	96274	85838	87305
CAfM	3730	3874	13998	2835	3280	MCAC	21507	17076	12610	12974	10273
Asia	261664	2663242	2628477	262839	259994	Asie	35882	485153	425178	2361015	2827113
Middle East	405344	274410	247720	263886	231164	Moyen-Orient	104223	174441	166387	270109	283311
Europe	1859503	1343868	1367337	1407210	1388252	Europe	1971082	1944975	1741699	1759168	1678236
EEC (Eur)	1432782	1172875	1017388	1046496	1009968	CEE (Eur)	1305726	1279748	1062128	1115371	1036428
EEA	400047	305145	330611	342131	367077	ARLE	531384	490703	514943	484860	442588
Oceania	45028	27799	256740	246450	25492	Oceanie	22267	15841	12229	11596	11256
USA, Excl. Unif. d'Amér.	336663	329575	482432	623935	797165	Canada	351102	359394	319660	297067	330569
Germany Federal Rep.	48321	394676	349842	387560	358955	Germany Federal Rep.	335744	291172	246083	246083	240059
Saudi Arabia	211832	193867	210824	223167	216123	Italy-Israe	287799	268764	232640	207380	191382
France	231691	190735	184521	171028	156879	USA Excl. Unif. d'Amér.	377147	256861	211957	199714	201885
United Kingdom	174386	180661	161512	197946	202999	Denmark Denmark	194239	238442	168837	210730	215932
Iran	108846	202978	144226	139272	88723	Sweden Swede	198757	196292	178199	197214	208857
Belgium-Luxembourg	203160	147357	118119	97510	92462	Finland	182381	191513	164200	172418	132492
Japan	137353	119280	113430	111251	116806	Finland Finlande	130972	113189	117226	122113	64511
Algeria Algeria	48580	241322	42479	54383	110276	Austria Austria	121385	109425	107733	105505	68947
Switzerland Suisse	121742	113531	109009	110865	121488	Netherlands Pays Bas	120617	99739	97476	90975	85909
Canada	74440	112438	80047	104904	112665	United Kingdom	110199	98017	83972	81424	85011
Netherlands Pays Bas	167534	112445	88907	89523	88126	Spain Espagne	76938	72398	94568	92996	127624
Norway Norvege	71045	70770	80030	87332	85747	Yugoslavia	56833	120674	63527	70824	70824
Syrian Arab Republic	34581	64430	109191	130174	130311	Brazil Brazil	92147	97003	67450	68783	27915
Italy	81296	86274	58922	53557	33810	Greece Greece	63824	104655	84120	288779	25365
Austria Austria	84678	67801	57432	54685	46425	Belgium-Luxembourg	64070	59303	69901	73358	73432
Sweden Swede	72801	53520	37120	33469	32320	Korea Republic	49213	45926	41981	50377	44399
Australia Australie	33244	33893	39803	34118	43781	Thailand Thailande	51580	48952	43368	41360	46096
Egypte Egypte	19869	10997	18641	24494	13412	Philippines	31735	39867	36599	51427	29731
Ireland Irlande	31490	23565	27946	34393	47433	Japan Japon	40800	30279	33826	33826	23299
Denmark Denmark	46650	26305	24772	26306	32359	Malaysia Malaisie	32121	29785	25748	24362	26296
Ireland Irlande	24770	27903	23983	18647	17463	Singapore Singapour	22988	27684	26064	27281	28217
Venezuela	37661	24979	26802	17133	21869	India Inde	7878	47829	18299	15620	14498
Yemen Arab Republic	10512	23355	17844	28235	28490	Norway Norvege	38124	30311	23371	19668	23009
Kuwait Kuwait	22720	21663	18051	28943	10313	Switzerland Suisse	24955	25715	20851	19946	23235
Bahamas	3733	4502	9488	22625	13027	Hong Kong	9748	19425	19642	14818	19228
Singapore Singapour	11947	13962	15329	15550	22452	Turkey Turquie	2796	11443	31391	9640	14644
Spain Espagne	20671	14458	13744	12860	12252	Portugal	17076	13794	13065	20402	24300
Israel	18782	13826	8265	20551	16322	Jordan Jordanie	19004	20163	17335	8355	20747
Mexico Mexique	11374	11912	11363	8982	1501	Ireland Irlande	10418	11442	14273	14228	11561
Ireland Irlande	10368	12359	14732	15839	16037	United Arab Emirates	3384	2746	13776	14816	11231
Jordan Jordanie	8106	9924	10288	11629	9591	Honduras	18289	13622	11125	11107	8348
United Arab Emirates	10511	10348	9686	10272	8124	New Zealand	17303	10457	10650	9607	10037
South Africa	6888	12373	7389	7397	5727	Mexico Mexique	12342	15477	8884	8657	12658
Bahrain	3274	8380	10060	25880	23161	Colombia Colombie	6244	9289	9231	6336	2952
Argentina	3626	8395	9459	23074	33820	Sierra Leone	7230	3440	2757	13255	9966
Greece Greece	15511	19005	1480	343	2424	Cyprus Chypre	8417	18178	10184	2328	2430
Egypte Egypte	4972	7018	7300	6418	690	Indonesia Indonésie	5029	6163	6652	7830	12104
Turkey Turquie	3313	7861	6130	2599	4705	Cuba	448	2065	15329	16304	16304
Trinidad and Tobago	2537	8500	4363	2900	6720	China	5	11026	35	54	10
Lebanon Liban	2315	2038	7655	2616	2599	Lebanon Liban	2350	2743	2368	2627	2647
Syrian Arab Republic	4037	4649	7771	9283	4790	Saudi Arabia	2478	4025	3738	4522	4433
Greenland	3768	4827	2954	2359	5874	Yemen Arab Republic	2671	2470	2826	1997	1728
Malaysia Malaisie	3804	4579	4635	31048	8095	North East Côte d'Iv.	2155	2736	2384	2415	2415
Bermuda Bermudes	2604	3891	3900	2892	5133	Sierra Leone	1326	1712	2418	2105	1965
Oman	2562	2313	3054	3380	5010	Greece Greece	1759	1355	2325	2122	760
Korea Republic	3176	3430	3462	3805	4606	Peru Pérou	973	2387	2224	870	4517
Yemen Arab Republic	13670	3531	3852	2835	2835	Syrian Arab Republic	2263	2718	1527	691	1504
New Zealand	2546	3183	3990	2928	3391	Chile Chili	1967	1251	1924	1486	1900
						Australia Australie	2175	2046	334	1258	973

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHÉ)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Africa	55	44	42	45	37	24	110	75	64	63	Afrique	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.7
North Africa	33	7.7	3.5	3.7	2.6	2.7	9.4	5	6.2	4.8	Afrique du Nord	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Americas	23.8	23.7	22.8	22.8	20.7	22.5	22.4	21.8	21.8	21.8	Ameriques	22.1	22.7	23.4	24.6	24.5	24.1	23.1	22.4	22.2	23.2
LAIA	1.4	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.4	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.0	ALAI	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4
CAfM	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	MCAC	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4
Asia	15.2	23.1	27.2	21.3	18.4	18.3	19.5	21.5	20.1	16.2	Asie	12.9	11.8	11.3	11.3	11.6	11.5	13.0	15.1	13.0	14.1
Middle East	7.7	17.8	22.6	16.3	12.1	12.0	11.0	13.0	11.4	10.0	Moyen-Orient	2.1	1.9	2.5	2.7	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.9	2.5	3.1
Europe	33.9	47.3	44.8	48.1	37.9	35.2	45.6	48.8	45.3	44.1	Europe	63.9	64.0	61.9	63.0	67.9	63.0	60.9	61.7	63.6	61.7
EEC (Eur)	11.2	37.3	34.7	37.7	41.6	47.6	34.6	34.6	32.8	32.1	CEE (Eur)	40.4	42.0	42.5	44.4	42.6	47.7	39.7	37.7	42.3	38.1
EEA	4.9	9.2	9.3	9.9	10.6	11.9	10.3	11.0	11.5	11.5	ARLE	17.9	16.3	15.1	14.5	16.6	17.0	15.2	16.2	17.5	16.3
Oceania	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.7	Oceanie	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
USA, Excl. Unif. d'Amér.	16.5	17.3	17.0	19.5	18.4	15.9	15.6	16.3	20.1	23.3	Canada	8.3	10.1	11.0	13.1	12.9	10.6	10.3	11.0	10.7	12.9
Germany Federal Rep.	12.3	11.0	10.5	11.9	13.3	14.4	11.6	12.0	12.5	11.6	Germany Federal Rep.	11.1	12.4	12.7	13.2	11.5	10.7	9.0	9.1	8.9	8.8
Saudi Arabia	2.4	11.8	14.9	11.9	8.4	6.3	5.7	7.2	7.3	6.1	Italy-Israe	6.6	6.5	7.2	8.2	9.6	9.7	9.0	7.5	6.1	7.0
France	7.1	6.8	5.8	6.0	6.5	6.9	5.6	6.3	5.5	5.0	USA Excl. Unif. d'Amér.	10.4	9.4	10.3	7.7	7.6	8.9	8.0	7.5	7.2	7.4
United Kingdom	4.8	4.5																			

Table 24

Imports and Exports of Furniture and Parts

SITC: 821
CCCN/HS: 9401-9404

IN THOUSAND U.S. DOLLARS

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COUNTRIES-PAYS	IMPORTS - IMPORTATIONS					COUNTRIES-PAYS	EXPORTS - EXPORTATIONS				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
World Economy	11097773	10630129	10489270	10769866	11521087	Economies de Marche	9855542	9736416	9712721	9739567	9576320
Africa	345253	463003	375023	363764	301438	Afrique	44992	39981	34916	33999	18994
North Africa	185071	304964	267431	151119	136759	Afrique du Nord	3952	6357	7844	2625	1892
Americas	1669891	1948681	1955504	2324244	3421075	Ameriques	834322	1062790	986690	995324	1139797
USA	103748	159838	110851	163600	276677	ALAI	87530	120588	58634	55026	70336
CACM	12318	11773	18624	18446	19673	MCAC	13798	7436	7893	7526	17577
Asia	1599382	1791377	1708874	1904482	1865363	Asie	542596	699733	644732	679888	742267
Middle East	1179975	1312819	1324636	1524636	1700177	Moyen Orient	806633	1002102	1047252	1098721	125334
Europe	7357939	6798555	5879245	5783383	5756147	Europe	8322153	7898244	7517397	7394165	7385887
EEC (Ten)	5765905	4908870	4545379	4369018	4369018	CEE (Dix)	6977138	6273540	6062322	6014403	6051588
EEA	1304189	1319605	1263281	1277574	1335569	AELE	1087487	669906	608222	607924	972355
Oceania	125308	158310	156872	137994	177065	Océanie	29116	31192	32966	35389	37354
USA Etats-Unis d'Am.	1219127	1390342	1523466	2043826	2882155	Italy/Italie	2170627	2276472	1981909	1974683	1976528
Germany Federal Rep.	1683049	1400438	1217709	1248363	1248363	Germany Federal Rep.	2047759	1777359	1609262	1673471	1673471
France	1308842	1193854	1260458	1166223	1086162	USA Etats-Unis d'Am.	571183	723738	648130	607645	607274
United Kingdom	626815	663484	735362	7714263	8714263	France	63278	589679	379648	384089	367130
Saudi Arabia	458091	701034	700189	743219	792919	Belgium-Luxembourg	725444	355481	561691	567930	550379
Netherlands/Pays Bas	1026012	747766	607609	601053	557922	Denmark/Danemark	437269	456373	471844	502682	578134
Switzerland/Suisse	522858	466889	460304	461053	461053	Sweden/Suède	512066	467080	400403	421394	481116
Belgium-Luxembourg	712850	541906	444199	378790	360035	United Kingdom	556317	447772	420711	390672	378071
Austria/Autriche	362476	290779	288636	303181	300549	Yugoslavia	302515	435079	368647	317511	366773
Japan	229688	234552	306306	269776	307152	Netherlands/Pays Bas	346673	296453	291227	281074	290934
Norway/Norvège	221606	225694	241413	240323	251993	Canada	91647	235665	231840	314648	187906
Canada	222257	275653	189878	236312	276065	Japan/Japon	134923	182239	176300	191316	418564
Sweden/Suède	327160	269630	222917	199832	226883	Spain/Espagne	164014	192326	167779	160578	192761
India	116268	155159	221645	119771	44746	Austria/Autriche	163576	66343	159384	164679	157690
Syrian Arab Republic	138671	234393	155581	664009	72889	Finland/Finlande	73972	148511	147071	111261	111261
UAE/UAE	147969	144046	174341	129829	125113	Switzerland/Suisse	13644	23164	116492	124944	107460
Hong Kong	105649	123882	16532	141909	143920	Hong Kong	77455	102408	95979	103041	129347
Australia/Australie	92767	128016	139241	108851	147347	Philippines	77136	87398	71598	83356	102136
United Arab Emirates	105531	112329	119623	119623	119623	Singapore/Singapour	64594	64755	74373	81816	83954
Israel	136689	119763	110004	103878	119966	Norway/Norvège	82234	65537	59792	63157	79572
Dominican Republic	149593	100350	102564	110393	133643	Costa Rica	37606	35182	34268	43468	71580
Iceland/Iceland	79947	80143	68424	39442	37826	Mexico/Mexique	456837	426237	26626	27369	35963
Singapore/Singapour	30243	39950	52376	66146	93461	Ireland/Irlande	31856	32099	38304	39351	33986
Spain/Espagne	67939	46071	52330	43922	39296	Thailand/Taïlande	29399	32876	35021	43243	43234
Mexico/Mexique	45176	47499	42387	42387	46647	Guatemala/Guatemala	33285	38144	38492	42402	42103
Nigeria/Nigeria	35450	20723	40204	174966	21281	Brazil/Brazile	27237	31070	23153	19424	28366
Oman	32245	38104	43067	53188	69370	S. Africa/Union S. Africaine	77497	22705	17539	26767	49515
Bahrain/Bahreïn	29421	37934	39276	28435	17852	New Zealand	18752	20049	19052	25013	25013
Qatar	33253	41191	49249	42808	428147	Turkey/Turquie	7724	22534	24722	19934	32567
Finland/Finlande	35816	36947	39496	49322	49435	Australia/Australie	20445	12686	12682	15961	14128
Jordan/Jordanie	30255	37538	39946	41098	38613	India/Inde	5867	19208	19666	11064	19254
Liban/Liban	20071	32080	42825	42825	42825	Malaysia/Malaisie	16878	16779	10667	11306	13376
S. Africa/Union S. Africaine	19848	21191	27847	42349	46366	Indonesia/Indonésie	4632	1032	20266	2171	3363
Israel	15799	20928	2476	42534	32660	Israel/Israël	13584	15226	10674	9484	12121
Ethiopia	12560	12593	13432	14827	15090	Portugal	14716	10961	8737	10188	10650
Algeria/Algérie	27662	19521	21179	31007	49240	Libanon/Liban	10624	6793	4642	4676	45906
Egypt/Egypte	8484	20487	17519	31287	24666	United Arab Emirates	7020	7722	7379	6370	7646
United Islands	16280	21931	21819	21133	15920	Saudi Arabia	3272	3429	3929	4240	4870
Tanzania/Tanzanie	11482	17626	13504	23941	15641	Zimbabwe	7073	7627	4725	3466	3375
Venezuela	11379	14663	128371	13225	17123	Barbados/Barbade	2642	6274	6274	6264	7266
Burkina Faso	19003	16634	18611	19498	18108	Jamaica/Jamaïque	3127	2989	5263	4419	4864
Greece/Grece	10831	15591	23483	14141	1110	Colombia/Colombie	2732	3643	5113	1874	1760
Morocco/Maroc	16662	16371	17746	17530	13663	Greece/Grece	3994	4132	3860	3840	2953
Guatemala/Guatemala	18172	14880	14765	18799	13693	Honduras	3059	3290	2676	2640	3045
Malaysia/Malaisie	9549	10374	13726	13212	17759	Macao/Macau	1993	3676	2551	2326	4709
Chad	8322	21013	10888	4445	4445	Morocco/Maroc	1870	1870	5166	11589	9894
Yemen/Yemen	16350	11055	12074	11288	11288	Indonesia/Indonésie	3111	1934	2156	4106	4940
Indonesia/Indonésie	8581	11367	12859	8760	18564	Costa Rica	2874	2857	2208	1999	2113
Netherlands/Antilles	10886	10972	12616	19041	19029	Malta/Malte	2234	3100	1466	2015	2138
Costa Rica	4516	5537	11416	15284	16756	Egypt/Egypte	2824	2602	2600	4957	1907

(VALUE AS % OF TOTAL MARKET ECONOMY) (VALEUR EN % DU TOTAL DES ECONOMIES DE MARCHÉ)

	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	
Africa	3.7	3.1	3.4	3.0	2.5	3.1	4.4	3.6	3.4	2.6	Afrique	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2
North Africa	1.8	1.4	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.7	2.9	2.0	1.4	1.4	Afrique du Nord	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Americas	16.0	17.2	15.9	16.7	16.2	15.1	18.0	18.6	22.5	29.7	Ameriques	7.4	7.9	7.2	7.4	7.7	8.3	10.9	10.7	10.9	12.0	
ALAI	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.9	1.5	1.1	1.1	ALAI	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.0	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.7	
CACM	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	MCAC	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Asia	6.4	8.0	12.0	13.8	14.4	16.8	20.1	16.2	16.1	16.1	Asie	3.4	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.5	7.9	7.0	7.4	7.8	
Middle East	2.9	4.3	6.9	9.7	10.6	12.3	14.5	12.7	10.4	10.4	Moyen Orient	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.8	
Europe	72.5	70.3	67.4	66.6	66.4	60.3	59.1	56.2	53.7	50.0	Europe	88.4	86.7	87.4	87.1	87.0	83.4	81.1	81.6	80.9	79.6	
EEC (Ten)	55.6	54.5	52.1	52.8	52.0	46.0	43.2	41.3	37.9	34.9	CEE (Dix)	72.4	71.1	72.0	72.7	72.6	69.9	66.6	66.0	65.8	63.5	
EEA	16.0	15.0	14.6	13.3	13.2	13.6	12.4	12.2	11.9	11.6	AELE	10.9	10.3	9.8	9.6	10.1	10.6	10.3	9.7	9.8	10.2	
Oceania	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.6	Océanie	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	
USA Etats-Unis d'Am.	10.7	11.8	12.3	12.7	12.1	11.0	13.0	14.5	19.0	25.0	Italy/Italie	13.6	13.4	17.7	19.9	20.0	21.8	21.3	21.3	21.6	20.7	
Germany Federal Rep.	14.8	13.6	14.2	14.7	14.6	15.7	13.1	11.6	11.8	10.8	Germany Federal Rep.	24.2	24.3	24.2	24.0	22.3	20.5	18.2	18.8	18.3	17.6	
France	13.0	13.7	11.4																			

42. Among the exporting countries of plywood listed in Table 21, main exporting countries of tropical wood plywood include Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Gabon, Hong Kong and Côte d'Ivoire . Main markets for plywood include EEC, United States, Saudi Arabia, Hong Kong, Singapore, Sweden, Canada, Australia, Japan, Nigeria, Norway, Kuwait, Oman, Yemen, Switzerland, Egypt and Algeria.

43. Among the exporting countries of wood articles (HS 4414-4416, 4418-4420, ex 4421.90), main exporting countries of tropical wood articles include Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan Province (China)² Republic of Korea, Philippines, Singapore, Brazil, Hong Kong, Cuba, India, Mexico, Indonesia and Honduras. Main markets for wood articles include EEC, United States, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland, Japan, Canada, Algeria, Iraq, Norway, Austria, Australia, Finland, Sweden, Singapore, Hong Kong, Israel, Libya, Nigeria, Bahamas and Mexico.

44. As shown in Table 24 covering furniture of all materials, a large majority of trade in furniture and parts takes place among industrialized countries. According to an ITC study¹, the bulk of furniture imports from developing countries consist of wooden furniture (primarily, living room and dining room furniture) and wooden furniture parts and components, as well as rattan and bamboo seating and other furniture. Among the exporting countries of furniture and parts listed in Table 24, main developing countries' exporters include Taiwan Province (China)², Yugoslavia, Hong Kong, Philippines, Singapore, China², Republic of Korea, Thailand, Mexico, Turkey, Brazil, Malaysia and India. The United States is by far the largest market for furniture and parts from developing countries, followed by EEC, Japan, Australia and Canada.

¹Major Import Markets for Wooden Household Furniture, International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT, Geneva 1982.

²China and Taiwan Province are not covered by Tables 19-24. Taiwan's exports of wood articles and furniture amounted to US\$451 million and US\$721 million respectively in 1984.

45. Import data for tropical wood and some of their products (sawn wood, veneers and plywood) are available for some countries in terms of cubic meter (Table 25). The table below shows the total of nine countries covered by the table.

		1981		1986	
		million m ³	%	million m ³	%
All wood	Logs	36.3	43	34.0	36
	Sawn Wood	43.8	52	56.2	59
	Veneers	0.9	1	1.0	1
	Plywood	3.3	4	4.1	4
	Total	84.3	100	95.3	100
Tropical Wood	Logs	18.5	75	14.5	67
	Sawn Wood	4.0	16	4.2	19
	Veneers	0.4	2	0.4	2
	Plywood	1.9	8	2.6	12
	Total	24.8	100	21.7	100

46. As far as these nine countries are concerned, their imports of all wood in four forms increased from 84.3 million m³ in 1981 to 95.3 million m³ in 1986. However, their imports of tropical wood decreased from 24.8 million m³ to 21.7 million in the period. With regard to tropical wood, the share of sawn wood and plywood increased at the expense of logs. However, the share of sawn wood in tropical wood trade is still much lower than that in all wood trade.

47. A major factor affecting the level of consumption and imports of wood and wood products is new housing construction, which is in turn largely influenced by the general economic situation. Another major factor which will affect the level of future trade in tropical wood would be the supply of such wood. A 1985 report called "Tropical Forests: A Call for Action" by an International Task Force convened by the World Resources Institute, the World Bank and the UNDP provides the following information on supply prospects:

"Developing countries possess nearly half the world's closed forests, but they produce only 21 per cent of its industrial timber. Many developing countries have both large natural forests and ecological conditions that are suitable for fast-growing industrial plantations. However, a decline in the area of accessible commercial forests is causing serious problems. In most of these countries current levels of forest management and reforestation fall far short of what is needed to limit imports and sustain exports. Exports to

Table 25

Imports of tropical wood and tropical wood products
by selected importing countries (1981 and 1986)

(Unit: 1,000 M³)

	USA	JAPAN	BELGIUM/ LUXEMBURG	FRANCE	GERMANY F.R.G.	ITALY	NETHER- LANDS	U.K.	AUSTRALIA	SINGAPORE	Total 9 countries
1981											
Saw + veneer logs total	459	28447	308	1593	1497	3347	269		0.9	352	36273
Coniferous	398	13481	13	91	636	1103	22		0.1	5.0	15750
Non-coniferous	61	14966	296	1502	861	2244	247		0.8	347	20523
Of which TROPICAL	7.7	14914	100	1449	556	988	126	n.a.	0.6	347	18438
Sawnwood total	21883	3811	1358	2689	4383	5026	2447		1112	1071	43780
Coniferous	21222	3396	905	2096	3664	4019	1789		814	5.8	37911
Non-coniferous	661	415	453	594	719	1006	658		298	1065	5869
Of which TROPICAL	429	375	155	374	463	329	480		289	1065	3960
Veneers total	382	29	43	130	128	64	58		20	92	945
Of which TROPICAL	134	27	22	27	56	7.2	23		10	88	394
Plywood total	1310	22	234	292	474	115	475		65	323	3310
Of which TROPICAL	1155	14	53	101	71	21	142		40	320	1917
											(Excluding U.K.)
1986											
Logs total	289.01	27772.22	326.81	1133.55	1476.45	2527.78	309.46	73.17	0.81	114.73	33,951
Coniferous	208.92	15542.59	16.52	57.47	613.31	879.87	58.43	3.55	0.16	2.35	17,378
non-coniferous	80.09	12229.63	310.29	1076.08	863.14	1644.91	251.03	69.62	0.65	112.38	16,572
Of which tropical	6.01	12166.38	97.01	1001.54	440.78	504.51	132.47			112.38	14,463
Sawnwood total	33639.47	5476.92	1391.19	2243.96	4465.14	4675.21	2794.68	7607.84	763.35	743.06	56,193
Coniferous	32884.81	4512.66	923.16	1790.09	3697.48	3603.32	2119.63	7003.72	522.59	1.61	50,055
non-coniferous	754.66	964.26	468.03	453.87	767.66	1071.89	675.05	604.12	240.76	741.45	6,138
Of which tropical	430.75	820.12	231.81	386.19	501.12	380.51	517.83	415.46	231.11	741.45	4,241
Veneers total	441.37	60.08	16.24	138.76	150.03	91.64	48.76	103.10		30.67	998
Of which tropical	137.57	53.71	15.05	22.23	75.95	28.05	14.37	28.27		26.49	374
Plywood total	1691.88	154.36	267.10	308.42	554.81	114.30	580.35	1199.49		242.90	4,114
Of which tropical	1447.59	341.76	96.24	160.64	109.12	11.61	224.62	594.04		241.91	2,633

Source: FAO Monthly Bulletin - Tropical forest products in world timber trade, December 1981 and 1986.

industrialized countries are very important for some developing countries, but the most critical problem for the future is the growing inability of many countries to meet their domestic needs for industrial forest products.

"Imports of forest products by developing countries are increasing sharply, even in such countries as Nigeria, Thailand, and Mexico which should readily be able to supply their own domestic needs. Imports have risen from about US\$6 billion in the early 1970s to almost US\$10 billion today.

"In fourteen developing countries with suitable conditions for an expanded industrial forestry programme, imports of manufactured forest products now total nearly US\$4 billion a year. Unless action is taken, this level of imports will continue to rise sharply.

"Over the past decade, exports of industrial forest products by developing countries have averaged about US\$7 billion (1984 prices) and rank fifth overall in non-oil exports. The value of exports has risen sharply during this time but it is doubtful that this rate of growth will continue unless additional investment is made to sustain the productivity of industrial forest resources.

"In a number of countries, notably Cameroon, Gabon, Ivory Coast, Malaysia and the Philippines, current rates of timber harvesting and insufficient investment in forest management and reforestation will lead to a sharp decline in exports within 10-15 years. On a smaller scale, the same trend is perceptible in many other countries. In Ghana, for example, exports have fallen from a high of 124 million cubic meters in 1973 to 11 million cubic meters in 1982.

"By the end of the century, the thirty-three developing countries that are now net exporters of forest products will be reduced to less than ten, and total developing country exports of industrial forest products are predicted to drop from their current level of more than US\$7 billion to less than US\$2 billion."

SECTION III: Activities of international organizations

48. Several international organizations undertake work which is relevant and complementary to negotiations in the GATT on tropical products. With respect to inter-governmental facilities to compensate for shortfalls in commodity export earnings, the IMF Compensatory Financing Facility and the STABEX programme for ACP countries are noteworthy as measures of financial transfers to stabilize export earnings, while the variety of development projects and financial arrangements to promote and diversify commodity exports are numerous. Certain products in this group are covered by STABEX operations: unmanufactured wood (CCCN 4403, 4404, 4405) and rubber (4001).

Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

49. The FAO Commodities and Trade Division pioneered commodity research and techniques for international co-operation in commodities, including natural rubber. This Division, whose activities are geared towards improving the functioning of international trade in agricultural commodities, monitors the world market situation and advises developing countries on the implementation of their national commodity policies. The FAO Forestry Department produces a monthly bulletin on tropical forest products in world timber trade.

50. Among regional agencies of the United Nations the ECE/FAO Agriculture and Timber Division services the ECE Timber Committee which reviews market developments and economic and technical aspects of the wood processing industry.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

51. Under United Nations auspices, UNCTAD is a major forum for international commodity action. Its principal achievements have been the Integrated Programme on Commodities (IPC), established as a result of Resolution 93(IV) at UNCTAD IV and the Agreement on the Common Fund for Commodities. Agreements on natural rubber and tropical timber have been established under the Integrated Programme.

52. A second International Agreement on Natural Rubber was formally adopted on 20 March 1987 by the United Nations Conference on Natural Rubber. Seven producers and thirty-three consumers representing about 90 per cent of world trade on natural rubber have embarked on the process to put in place a successor instrument to the 1979 INRA that expired on 22 October 1987. Ratification by countries representing at least 75 per cent of both exports and imports will be needed before the agreement is operational; until inception of the second agreement no later than 1 January 1989, buffer stock purchases will be suspended.

53. The new agreement has retained the same reference price, 201.66 Malaysia/Singapore cents (about 87 US cents) a kilo and the same intervention prices, "floor" and "ceiling" prices remaining at 150 and 270 cents respectively. The major change in the new agreement is the reference price review mechanism which will now be automatic. If the daily market indicator price is above the upper "intervention" price ("may sell") or below the lower ("may buy") for six months, the reference price is adjusted by 5 per cent unless the International National Rubber Organization decides on a higher adjustment. As a further step in tailoring the agreement more closely to market developments, price reviews take place every fifteen rather than, as previously, every eighteen months.

54. The buffer stock remains the sole price stabilization instrument; its maximum volume is unchanged at 550,000 tonnes. Financing of the buffer stock is shared equally by producers and consumers according to their respective trade shares within each of the groups. The provisions for borrowing to finance stock purchases have been eliminated.

International Tropical Timber Organization

55. Following a resolution of the United Nations Conference on Tropical Timber held in November 1983, the Secretary-General of UNCTAD convened a Preparatory Committee for the first session of the International Tropical Timber Council. Tropical timber is defined as non-coniferous tropical wood for industrial uses which is grown in the tropical zone; the term covers logs, sawnwood, veneer sheets and plywood. The International Tropical Timber Agreement established to provide an effective framework for cooperation and consultation between producing and consuming countries entered into force provisionally on 1 April 1985. The first meeting of the International Tropical Timber Organization took place in Yokohama in March 1987. Members currently numbering forty-one, represent more than 95 per cent of tropical timber trade.

56. In addition to encouraging policies to manage and conserve tropical forests the objectives of the International Tropical Timber Agreement are to (i) provide the expansion and diversification of international trade in tropical timber, (ii) encourage further processing and improve marketing and distribution activities in producing member countries and (iii) improve market intelligence.

United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

57. The Wood and Wood Products Industry is one of the industries included in consultations between developed and developing countries directed towards the industrialization of developing countries. The first consultations which took place in 1983 addressed problems and made recommendations concerning the development of processing industries and the promotion of wood and wood products.

International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT (ITC)

58. The ITC is the focal point for technical co-operation regarding the promotion of developing countries trade. With respect to rubber the ITC is in the process of implementing a project on Integrated Export Development support in natural rubber products. For tropical timber and timber products ITC is carrying out two multi-year interregional projects on builders wood work and wood-based panels. Various proposals on export development are awaiting financing.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO)

59. The ISO has been engaged in standardization work in the field of forestry, timber and wood products since 1947. Several hundred international standards cover aspects such as terminology, classification, dimension and test methods on such products as sawn timber, plywood and furniture.

International Rubber Study Group

60. This intergovernmental organization has as its principal objective, the comprehensive compilation of statistical information on production, consumption and trade in natural and synthetic rubber.