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**Imports of soluble coffee classified under
specific Harmonized System codes
Calendar years 1996 to 2004**

Background

1. At the meeting of the Statistics Committee in January 2006, the Secretariat was requested to prepare a table showing imports of soluble coffee by importing country classified under two specific Harmonized System (HS) codes (210.112.92 and 210.112.98) from 1996 to 2004, after consulting with the European Coffee Federation (ECF) on the specific products imported under these two codes. This exercise would assist the Committee in analysing possible adjustments to be made to the soluble coffee imports series held in the Organization's databases.
2. It should be noted that, in accordance with the Rules on Statistics contained in document EB-3830/02, importing Members are requested to provide information on total imports by month, by form of coffee and by origin, not by HS codes. Therefore, data presented in this document are based on information available from the Eurostat website.
3. The attached tables show data, for each calendar year from 1996 to 2004¹, on total imports of preparations and concentrates containing coffee by each EU country under the HS codes in question. Table 1 also gives the total coffee contents under these two classifications in each calendar year together with the percentage change in two consecutive years. Tables 2 and 3 show total imports of all soluble coffee by all EU countries (using ICO data) and the percentage of imports of preparations and concentrates in this total in each year. In addition, Table 3 shows ICO data for soluble imports "adjusted" to take into account only 10% of the volume of total imports of the preparations and concentrates, which is deemed to be the average coffee content in the products. A similar exercise can be carried out for the series on re-exports to all destinations on the recommendation of the Committee at this meeting.
4. It should be noted that, for the earlier years, data are not available for those EU countries that acceded to the group in May 2004. In addition, prior to 1998 information for Luxembourg was included with Belgian trade data.

Action

The Statistics Committee is requested to analyse the results presented in this document and to make the appropriate recommendations for action.

¹ Data for 2005 are not yet available for all countries.

TABLE 1

Imports of soluble coffee by EU countries from all origins (classified by HS codes 210.112.92 and 210.112.98) Calendar years 1996 to 2004 (60-kg bags GBE)									
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Austria	22 360	28 154	30 121	53 400	48 659	69 156	54 864	76 076	86 602
Belgium	48 386	141 193	58 179	46 995	47 996	50 392	55 848	64 328	69 550
Cyprus	0	0	0	446	360	485	789	1 456	5 178
Czech Republic	0	0	0	77 718	62 738	43 143	34 238	43 780	111 692
Denmark	4 182	3 055	14 222	2 223	2 323	4 476	8 095	9 902	17 814
Estonia	0	0	0	2 284	2 206	3 085	2 080	3 722	5 815
Finland	776	3 293	4 333	5 620	4 940	5 308	5 499	6 543	7 852
France	81 614	138 862	113 286	139 516	136 946	137 817	144 833	182 810	216 675
Germany	63 899	50 847	77 614	140 270	541 446	398 550	241 804	289 176	306 414
Greece	18 785	17 260	12 476	8 463	29 679	37 830	43 563	83 863	63 830
Hungary	0	0	0	81 393	116 697	114 500	108 949	99 987	119 470
Ireland	490	56	329	35	82	871	936	1 200	2 297
Italy	2 622	2 279	34 095	35 655	32 877	30 303	36 556	29 393	35 590
Latvia	0	0	0	2 799	5 824	6 673	7 198	12 021	20 622
Lithuania	0	0	0	12 879	15 110	12 307	11 613	18 885	50 501
Luxembourg	0	0	0	13 802	10 872	10 794	11 189	7 843	8 242
Malta	0	0	0	11 739	11 869	7 484	21 476	25 822	19 344
Netherlands	56 533	61 308	57 963	68 233	87 338	89 249	115 167	136 569	181 740
Poland	16 318	22 767	12 904	11 448	18 722	14 401	19 809	125 833	192 090
Portugal	14 252	20 384	22 048	68 003	38 389	26 199	21 987	25 250	22 711
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40 677
Slovenia	0	0	0	4 177	5 841	11 085	14 222	18 087	20 172
Spain	26 615	46 566	66 586	49 149	57 538	75 712	68 228	85 033	84 301
Sweden	10 643	18 105	12 588	14 807	16 189	16 514	19 556	17 069	20 146
United Kingdom	62 331	82 650	93 990	51 090	92 616	48 165	57 187	102 353	102 856
Total	429 805	636 779	610 735	902 144	1 387 259	1 214 500	1 105 686	1 467 004	1 812 180
% change from previous year		48.16	-4.09	47.71	53.77	-12.45	-8.96	32.68	23.53
Coffee content in the preparation or concentrate	42 980	63 678	61 073	90 214	138 726	121 450	110 569	146 700	181 218

TABLE 2

Total imports of soluble coffee 1/	3 498 004	4 208 647	4 688 724	4 671 833	5 138 867	5 580 567	5 951 257	6 484 766	7 128 577
% of soluble as classified in the two HS codes in total soluble imports	12.29	15.13	13.03	19.31	27.00	21.76	18.58	22.62	25.42

1/ Based on ICO data

TABLE 3

Total imports of soluble coffee 2/	3 111 180	3 635 546	4 139 063	3 859 903	3 890 334	4 487 517	4 956 140	5 164 463	5 497 615
% of coffee content in the preparation as classified in the two HS codes in total soluble imports	1.38	1.75	1.48	2.34	3.57	2.71	2.23	2.84	3.30

2/ ICO data adjusted to take into account only 10% of the volume of coffee classified under the two HS codes