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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
SPAIN

**Memorandum of Understanding with respect to action by the United States on porcelain-on-steel cookware pursuant to article XIX of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (with annex and related letters). Signed at Geneva on 29 July 1983**

*Authentic texts of the Memorandum and the related letters: English and Spanish.*

*Authentic text of the annex: English.*

*Registered by the United States of America on 15 August 1990.*

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ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
et  
ESPAGNE

**Mémorandum d'accord relatif aux mesures prises par les États-Unis concernant les ustensiles de cuisine en fonte émaillée ou vitrifiée en conformité avec l'article XIX de l'Accord général sur les tarifs douaniers et le commerce (avec annexe et lettres connexes). Signé à Genève le 29 juillet 1983**

*Textes authentiques du Mémorandum et des lettres connexes : anglais et espagnol.*

*Texte authentique de l'annexe : anglais.*

*Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 15 août 1990.*

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING<sup>1</sup> WITH RESPECT TO ACTION BY THE UNITED STATES ON PORCELAIN-ON-STEEL COOKWARE PURSUANT TO GATT ARTICLE XIX\*

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GATT documents L/4889 and L/4889/Add.1 contain communications from the Permanent Mission of the United States concerning action under GATT<sup>2</sup> Article XIX in respect of porcelain-on-steel cooking ware. The United States and Spain have held consultations pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XIX and have agreed as follows:

1. The United States will implement, beginning January 1, 1984, the compensatory duty rates shown in the attached annex. These rates are based on a compensation period beginning January 1, 1984, and ending December 31, 1987. On January 1, 1988 the rates will return to the level currently scheduled for the date. For the four items (TSUS 152.05, 425.94, 426.76 and 426.82) on which the United States Congress has temporarily suspended tariffs, the congressionally mandated rates will apply. When those suspensions lapse the rates will increase to the level indicated in the attached Annex.

DONE at Geneva this day 29 July 1983.

For the Delegation  
of Spain:

[Signed]

ALFONSO DE LA SERNA  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

For the Delegation  
of the United States:

[Signed]

PETER O. MURPHY  
Ambassador  
Deputy United States  
Trade Representative

\* This document has been prepared in the English and Spanish languages. The English and Spanish copies are equally valid.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 29 July 1983 by signature, with effect from 1 January 1984, in accordance with paragraph 1.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 55, p. 187.

## ANNEX

TSUS	Short Description	Currently Scheduled Rates*					Compensatory Rates*		
		1984	1985	1986	1987	1984	1985	1986	1987
111.56	Other Pickled Fish	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
112.03	Anchovies not in oil over 15 lbs	0.8	0.6	0.3	FREE	0.6	0.4	0.2	FREE
112.40	Anchovies in oil	6	6	6	6	4.2	4.2	4.7	5.1
112.94	Other Fish in oil	8.8	8	7.3	6.5	6.2	5.6	5.7	5.5
124.30	Rabbit skins	4.2	4	3.9	3.7	2.9	2.8	3	3.1
124.40	Other furs dressed	5	5	5	5	3.5	3.5	3.9	4.3
124.80	Other furs dressed and dyed	3.8	3.3	2.9	2.4	2.7	2.3	2.2	2
145.52	Pignolia nuts shelled	1c/LB	1c/LB	1c/LB	1c/LB	0.7c/LB	0.7c/LB	0.8c/LB	0.9c/LB
152.05	Carob Flour	15	15	15	15	10.5	10.5	11.6	12.8
154.50	Candied Nuts	7	7	7	7	4.9	4.9	5.4	6
161.06	Capers in containers over 7.5 pounds	16	16	16	16	11.2	11.2	12.4	13.6
161.08	Other capers	16	16	16	16	11.2	11.2	12.4	13.6
161.71	Paprika	3.1c/LB	2.7c/LB	2.4c/LB	2c/LB	2.2c/LB	1.9c/LB	1.9c/LB	1.7c/LB
220.20	Natural cork	3c/LB	2.8c/LB	2.7c/LB	2.5c/LB	2.1c/LB	2c/LB	2.1c/LB	2.1c/LB
220.36	Tapered Cork Stoppers	10c/LB	9.5c/LB	9c/LB	8.5c/LB	7c/LB	6.7c/LB	7c/LB	7.2c/LB
220.47	Cork Stoppers/not tapered	10c/LB	10c/LB	10c/LB	10c/LB	7c/LB	7c/LB	7.8c/LB	8.5c/LB
220.48	Cork Discs	8.1c/LB	7.7c/LB	7.4c/LB	7c/LB	5.7c/LB	5.4c/LB	5.7c/LB	6c/LB
220.50	Other mfgs cork	18	18	18	18	12.6	12.6	14	15.3
222.20	Prepared willow	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	6	6	6.6	7.2
222.25	Other willow	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.1
420.06	Potassium Chlorate	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.3	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.8
425.94	Tartaric Acid	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.3	3.6	3.4	3.6	3.7
426.76	Cream of Tartar	5.5	5.2	4.9	4.6	3.9	3.6	3.8	3.9

TSUS	Short Description	Currently Scheduled Rates*				Compensatory Rates*		
		1984	1985	1986	1987	1984	1985	1986
426.82	Potassium Sodium Tartrate	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.1	3.3	3.2	3.3
437.70	Terpin Hydrate	9.6	8.8	7.9	7	6.7	6.2	6.1
455.02	Agar Agar	4.7	4.1	3.6	3	3.3	2.9	2.8
460.15	Anethol	8.5	7.8	7.1	6.4	6	5.5	5.5
466.15	Toilet Soap	0.6c/LB +4.1	0.5c/LB +4	0.5c/LB +3.8	0.5c/LB +3.6	0.4c/LB +2.9	0.4c/LB +2.8	0.4c/LB +2.9
473.40	Natural Pigments of Iron oxide	10	10	10	10	7	7	7.8
512.41	Plaster of Paris Statues	5	5	5	5	3.5	3.5	3.9
534.11	Ceramic Statues	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.4	2.3	2.5
632.34	Unwrought Mercury	9.4c/LB	8.8c/LB	8.1c/LB	7.5c/LB	6.6c/LB	6.2c/LB	6.3c/LB
649.83	Pen and Pocket Knives	5c/e** +8.4	4c/e +7.4	3.5c/e +6.4	3c/LB +5.4	3.5c/e +5.9	2.8c/e +5.2	2.7c/e +5
653.37	Brass lamps and Parts	7.1	6.7	6.2	5.7	5	4.7	4.8
656.25	Gold plated Base Metal Articles	15.6	13.8	11.9	10	10.9	9.7	9.2
656.30	Silver-on-copper plated Articles	10	10	10	10	7	7	7.8
692.3207	Axle Spindles	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.4	2.3	2.5
692.3282	Shock Absorbers	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.4	2.3	2.5
723.32	Photographic Paper not Silver halide	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.4	2.3	2.5
730.05	Swords and Bayonets	6.5	6.1	5.7	5.3	4.6	4.3	4.4
745.45	Buckles	7.1	6.7	6.2	5.7	5	4.7	4.8
773.05	Pet Toys rubber or plastic	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	6	6	6.6
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\* Unless otherwise specified, all rates are percent ad valorem.

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## RELATED LETTERS

## I

UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

July 29, 1983

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to refer to the Memorandum of Understanding with Respect to Action by the United States on Porcelain-on-Steel Cookware Pursuant to GATT Article XIX, dated 29 July, 1983, which embodies the satisfactory conclusion of discussions between our governments on that matter. With your concurrence I will provide a copy to the GATT Secretariat for their information.

Sincerely,

[*Signed*]

PETER O. MURPHY  
Ambassador

His Excellency Alfonso de la Serna  
Ambassador  
Permanent Mission of Spain  
Geneva

[SPANISH TEXT — TEXTE ESPAGNOL]

DELEGACIÓN PERMANENTE DE ESPAÑA  
CERCA DE LAS ORGANIZACIONES INTERNACIONALES  
GINEBRA

Ginebra, 29 de julio de 1983

Señor Embajador:

Tengo el honor de referirme al Memorandum de Acuerdo, de fecha 29 de julio de 1983 concerniente a las medidas tomadas por los Estados Unidos de América de conformidad con el artículo XIX del GATT, en relación con los utensilios de cocina de acero esmaltado o vitrificado y que recoge la satisfactoria conclusión de las conversaciones celebradas entre nuestros gobiernos acerca del asunto mencionado.

Con su conformidad remitiré una copia del citado Memorandum a la Secretaría del GATT, para su información.

Le saluda atentamente,

El Embajador  
Representante Permanente  
de España  
[*Signed — Signé*]  
ALFONSO DE LA SERNA

Mr. Peter O. Murphy  
Embajador de EUA  
Representante Adjunto para Comercio en Ginebra  
Ginebra

[TRANSLATION<sup>1</sup> — TRADUCTION<sup>2</sup>]

PERMANENT DELEGATION OF SPAIN  
TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS  
GENEVA

Geneva, July 29, 1983

Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to refer to the Memorandum of Understanding dated July 29, 1983, regarding action by the United States of America pursuant to GATT Article XIX with respect to porcelain-on-steel cookware, which embodies the satisfactory conclusion of discussions between our governments on that matter. With your concurrence, I will send a copy of the above-mentioned memorandum to the GATT Secretariat for their information.

Sincerely,

[*Signed*]  
ALFONSO DE LA SERNA  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative of Spain

Mr. Peter O. Murphy  
Ambassador  
Deputy United States Trade Representative  
in Geneva

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<sup>1</sup> Translation supplied by the Government of the United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> Traduction fournie par le Gouvernement des Etats-Unis d'Amérique.