

Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 175—Public Inquiry into Import Duties and Import Licensing Affecting the Various Measuring, Checking, Regulating, Controlling, Recording, and Analysing Instruments and Apparatus of Tariff Items 90.23.00, 90.24.01, 90.24.09, 90.25.00, 90.28.00 and Parts or Accessories of such Instruments and Apparatus Classified in Tariff Item 90.29.00.

1. In its report No. 108 to the Minister of Industries and Commerce, arising from an inquiry concerning duty and import licensing in respect of certain chart temperature recorders (Ex T.I. 90.23.00), the Board recommended continuation of import control on these goods until such time as there could be a review of the wider field of related instruments and apparatus.

2. This recommendation was accepted by Government, and the Board has now been requested by the Minister of Customs to inquire into and report on what form of protection, if any, by way of customs duties and/or import licensing should be accorded to the manufacture in New Zealand of the various instruments, apparatus, and parts and accessories enumerated in the Schedule to this Notice.

3. The Board will, in accordance with its normal procedures, conduct a public inquiry in the Boardroom, First Floor, Law Society Building, 26 Waring Taylor Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 13 October 1970, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

4. Any person who wishes to tender evidence should lodge 12 copies of a typewritten statement of the evidence, to be presented under oath at the public inquiry, at the Board's office no later than Friday, 25 September 1970. In preparing this evidence the "Notes for Guidance of Witnesses" prepared by the Board may be of assistance. Copies of these "Notes" may be obtained from the Board's office.

Dated at Wellington this 7th day of July 1970.

O. A. BLACK,
Secretary, Tariff and Development Board.

SCHEDULE

Number	Description	Rates of Duty		
		B.P.	MFN.	Gen.
90.23.00	Hydrometers and similar instruments; thermometers, pyrometers, barometers, hygrometers, psychrometers, recording or not; any combination of these instruments	Free	12½%*	25%
90.24	Instruments and apparatus for measuring, checking, or automatically controlling the flow, depth, pressure, or other variables of liquids or gases, or for automatically controlling temperature (for example, pressure gauges, thermostats, level gauges, flow meters, heat meters, automatic oven-draught regulators), not being articles falling within heading No. 90.14	Free	15%	25%
90.24.01	Temperature controllers peculiar to use with refrigerating apparatus	Free	15%	25%
90.24.09	Other	Free	20%	25%
90.25.00	Instruments and apparatus for physical or chemical analysis (such as polarimeters, refractometers, spectrometers, gas analysis apparatus); instruments and apparatus for measuring or checking viscosity, porosity, expansion, surface tension or the like (such as viscometers, porosimeters, expansion meters); instruments and apparatus for measuring or checking quantities of heat, light or sound (such as photometers including exposure meters, calorimeters); microtomes	Free	20%	25%
90.28.00	Electrical measuring, checking, analysing, or automatically controlling instruments and apparatus	Free	20%	25%
Ex 90.29.00	Parts or accessories suitable for use solely or principally with one or more of the articles falling within heading No. 90.23, 90.24, or 90.28.	The rates applicable to the articles for which the parts or accessories have been designed		

*Pursuant to GATT "Kennedy Round" negotiations this rate is to be progressively reduced to 7½ percent.

Ministry of Works—Schedule of Civil Engineering, Building, and Housing Contracts of \$20,000 or More in Value

Name of Works	Successful Tenderer	Amount of Tender Accepted \$
Civil Engineering—		
Kaimai Railway Deviation: ventilation ducting for Kaimai tunnel	Hume Industries (New Zealand) Ltd.	111,300.00
S.H.6: Eight Mile Creek-Iron Bridge section: formation, metalling, and sealing: R.M. 175.60M–R.M.176.83M	Avery Bros Ltd	61,094.77
S.H.1: Edendale-Morton Mains section: part II: reconstruction to first-coat seal: R.M. 559.70M–R.M. 562.06M	Bitumen Distributors (Southland) Ltd.	53,958.63
Building—		
New Zealand Electricity Department: Twizel control station: construction of control building	Naylor Love Construction Ltd. ..	82,398.00
Housing—		
Contract No. 168/22/55: one single (special) unit at Tauranga	Todd and Pollack Ltd.	21,728.00
Contract No. 168/22/57: one single (special) unit at Paeroa	D. H. Jennings	24,092.00

F. R. ASKIN, Commissioner of Works.