

Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 324—Inquiries Concerning Protection for Various Goods

1. The Minister of Customs has referred to the Tariff and Development Board for inquiry and report the question of the nature and extent of the protection, if any, which it considers appropriate for New Zealand industry in respect of the importation of the goods listed in the attached Schedules. This reference arises from the publication, in a *Supplement to the New Zealand Gazette*, dated 7 October 1971, of a Notice of Proposed Exemptions from Import Licensing and from representations received in response to that notice.

2. For the purpose of taking evidence the Board will hold public hearings commencing at 10.30 a.m. on the dates shown below in the Committee Room, Seventh Floor, Cumberland House, Upper Willis Street, Wellington.

Goods	Date of Public Hearing	Closing Date for Receipt of Representations	Tariff Provisions Item under Reference
Articles of cement	Thursday, 7 June 1973	Thursday, 17 May 1973	Schedule A
Nuts of Tariff headings 08.01, 08.05, 12.01 and 20.06	Wednesday, 13 June 1973	Wednesday, 23 May 1973	Schedule B
Rice	Thursday, 14 June 1973	Thursday, 24 May 1973	Schedule C

3. Parties intending to make representations or requests about appropriate rates of customs duty are asked to take into account the statement by the Minister of Overseas Trade of 6 September 1972 about changes in the New Zealand Customs Tariff. Copies of this statement can be obtained from the undersigned. Parties intending to make representations or requests about the exemption from import licensing of goods at present not so exempt are asked to take into account the statement in the 1972 Financial Statement (page 19) that "the Government has also decided that where the industry is to be exempted from import licensing there should be provision in appropriate cases for a phase-out period which in general will be for up to three years".

4. Any person who intends to tender evidence should lodge, in typewritten form, 14 copies of public evidence and 12 copies of confidential evidence, to be presented under oath at the public hearing at the Board's office no later than the dates shown above. In preparing this evidence the "Notes for Information and Guidance of Interested Parties" prepared by the Board may be of assistance. Copies of these notes may be obtained from the Board's office.

Dated at Wellington this 5th day of December 1972.

C. H. S. RODDEN, Secretary, Tariff and Development Board.

P.O. Box 27046, Wellington.

SCHEDULE A

Number	Description	BP	Rates of Duty MFN	GEN
68.11	Articles of cement (including slag cement), of concrete or of artificial stone (including granulated marble agglomerated with cement), reinforced or not:			
68.11.029	Roofing tiles, ridging and finials	Free	..	15%
68.11.039	Bricks, blocks, or slabs that do not exceed 24 in. in length 8 in. in width and 8 in. in thickness (but not including goods composed of chips of marble set irregularly in cement, whether polished or not)	20% Aul 12%	40%	50%

SCHEDULE B

Number	Description	BP	Rates of Duty MFN	GEN
08.01	Dates, bananas, coconuts, Brazil nuts, cashew nuts, pineapples, avocados, mangoes, guavas and mangosteens, fresh or dried, shelled or not:			
	Coconuts, Brazil nuts and cashew nuts, fresh or dried:			
	Other kinds:			
Ex 08.01.203	Brazil nuts in retail packs	Free	Free	Free
Ex 08.01.209	Cashew nuts in retail packs	Free	Free	Free
08.05	Nuts other than those falling within heading No. 08.01, fresh or dried, shelled or not:			
Ex 08.05.001	Almonds, packed for retail sale	Free	Free	Free
Ex 08.05.002	Hazel nuts (filberts), packed for retail sale	Free	Free	Free
	Walnuts:			
08.05.003	Packed for retail sale	per 100 lb	\$1.66	\$1.66
Ex 08.05.019	Other, packed for retail sale	Free	Free	Free
12.01	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit, whole or broken:			
	Ground-nuts (peanuts):			
Ex 12.01.101	In shell, in retail packages	Free	Free	Free
Ex 12.01.109	Shelled, in retail packages	Free	Free	Free
12.01.200	Copra	Free	Free	Free
12.01.300	Palm nuts and kernels	Free	Free	Free
20.06	Fruit otherwise prepared or preserved, whether or not containing added sugar or spirit:			
20.06.002	Almonds, ground-nuts and other nuts, roasted	32½%	..	55%
20.06.003	Cashews	10%	30%	50%

SCHEDULE C

Number	Description	BP	Rates of Duty MFN	GEN
10.06	Rice:			
Ex 10.06.100	In the husk, or husked but not further prepared, in retail packages	Free	..	Free
	Other kinds:			
Ex 10.06.201	Broken, in retail packages	Free	..	Free
Ex 10.06.209	Other, in retail packages	Free	..	Free