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2005-2007 NAFTA TRQ'S For the Import of U.S. Dry Beans

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Report Highlights:

On December 29, 2004, the Secretariat of Economy published TRQs and information on Mexico's administration of bids for the importation of dry beans during the 2005-2007 period. This is a NAFTA TRQ, which is available to United States and Canada, with a zero import duty.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Introduction: This report summarizes an announcement published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" (Federal Register) on December 29, 2004.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: The Secretariat of Economy (SE) announced on December 29, 2004 the NAFTA Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) for dry edible beans for the 2005-2007 period. This announcement includes information on Mexico's administration of bids for the importation of dry beans, according to the understanding reached between the U.S. and Mexico. Consequently, Mexico is allocating one-third of the NAFTA quota on March 1st, 2005 and on February 28, 2006 & 2007. SE will allocate the remaining two thirds of the NAFTA TRQ on June 1st of 2005 and on May 31, 2006 & 2007. Both allocations will be through public auctions.

The announcement also indicates that SE will announce in the *Diario Oficial* the conduction of the auctions 20 business days before they take place. Participation in the auction is limited to people or companies established in Mexico.

The following are some details as contained in the *Diario Oficial* announcement:

Tariff Number	Description	Country of Origin	Year	Minimum TRQ (MT)
0713.33.02 0713.33.03 0713.33.99	Beans, except for planting	United States	2005 2006 2007	69,212.126 71,288.490 73,427.145
0713.33.02 0713.33.03 0713.33.99	Beans, except for planting	Canada	2005 2006 2007	2,076.181 2,138.466 2,202.620

Lastly, the announcement indicates that the import permits for the first auction will be valid from March 1st to May 31st of each year, while the validity for permits from the second auction will be from July 1st until September 30 of each year.

Important Dates

- 1. Publication Date:** December 29, 2004.
- 2. Effective Date:** January 1st, 2005.
- 3. Expiration Date:** December 31, 2007.

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