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Results of the First SBS Rice Tender

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Report Highlights:

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On May 28th, the Food Agency of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries conducted its first Simultaneous Buy and Sell (SBS) rice tender under the Uruguay Round minimum access agreement for the Japanese Fiscal Year 1999 (April 1999 - March 2000). A total of 25,000 metric tons of foreign rice was contracted (22,175 tons for table rice and 2,825 tons of broken rice for processing). Australia, offering its 1999 crop, accounted for 9,969 metric tons, or 39.9 percent of the total. China followed with 9,029 metric tons, or 36.1 percent market share. The United States accounted for 4,408 metric tons, or 17.6 percent market share.

Overall, the results were, in metric tons (percent): U.S. - 4,408 (17.6); Australia - 9,969 (39.9); China - 9,029 (36.1); Thailand - 868 (3.5); Vietnam - 438 (1.8); Uruguay - 162 (0.6); Pakistan - 72 (0.3), and India - 54 (0.2).

Country	Quantity Applied (MT)	Туре	Quantity Awarded (MT)	Food Agency's Purchase Price (YEN/MT)	Food Agency's Selling Price (YEN/MT)
U.S.A.	2,790 4,302 304 3,918 720 12,034	Short/Brown Short/Milled Medium/Milled Glut./Short/Milled Broken/Milled TOTAL	1,620 666 286 1,674 162 4,408	95,360 105,891 94,889 92,702 74,635	282,928 287,881 275,490 274,500 127,523
China	$1,078 \\ 55,102 \\ 1,206 \\ 4,610 \\ 61,996$	Short/Brown Short/Milled Glut./Short/Milled Broken/Milled TOTAL	180 7,280 279 1,290 9,029	67,500 74,827 86,729 61,616	248,500 255,942 267,158 112,881
Australia	10,249 4,684 18 2,684 17,635	Short/Brown Short/Milled Medium/Milled Broken/Milled TOTAL	6,813 2,466 18 672 9,969	101,430 107,047 87,000 70,622	285,125 290,063 267,000 121,398
Thailand	363 20 2,227 2,610	Long/Milled Glut./Long/Milled Broken/Milled TOTAL	291 20 557 868	73,801 76,000 37,869	265,335 264,000 87,819 -
Uruguay	1,746	Short/brown	162	91,800	275,000

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Vietnam	267 144 774 1,185	Short/Brown Short/Milled Broken/Milled TOTAL	150 144 144 438	100,000 94,000 44,000	288,333 279,000 92,500
Pakistan	72	Long/Milled	72	141,500	329,000
India	54 18 72	Long/Milled Broken/Milled TOTAL	54 0 54	190,000 - -	381,333 - -
Italy	34	Medium/Milled	0	-	-
GRAND TOTAL	97,384	-	25,000	-	-