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Special Safeguard Trigger Volumes for 2002 Released 2002

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Report Highlights:

The Philippine Department of Agriculture (DA) recently released the list of trigger volumes for agricultural products eligible for special safeguard (SSG) duty. Based on import data for the first six months of 2002, the DA likewise released information on products that have breached benchmark import volumes and as such may be subject to an additional SSG duty for the remaining months of this year. As yet, the DA has not invoked the SSG for products other than chicken meat and onions.

Includes PSD changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Manila [RP1], RP Two months after publishing the list of trigger prices (refer to GAIN RP#2067) for agricultural products eligible for special safeguards (SSG), the Department of Agriculture released in October, a list of trigger volumes (see Annex 1) for the same. These trigger volumes are the benchmark import volumes of the specified products applicable for 2002.

The trigger volume¹ of an agricultural product is determined by adding the change in the annual domestic consumption for the two preceding years, to:

- a. 125 percent of the average annual import volume for the three preceding years, if market access opportunity² is at most ten percent or;
- b. 110 percent of the average annual import volume, if market access opportunity exceeds 10 percent but is not more than 30 percent or;
- c. 105 percent of the average annual import volume, if market access opportunity exceeds thirty percent.

Under the Philippine Safeguards Law, an additional SSG duty may be imposed on an agricultural product, if the cumulative import volume in a given year exceeds its trigger volume or if its actual import price (c.i.f.) drops below its trigger price. Only agricultural products with the SSG notation in the Philippines' WTO tariff schedule are eligible for SSG duty. The maximum SSG duty that may be imposed is one-third of the regular customs duty.

Based on computations of the Department of Agriculture, the products noted in the table below have already breached their trigger volume for 2002 and thus an additional SSG duty may initiated on the same at anytime. As a point of fact, except for prepared and preserved chicken meat, these SSG duties have not been applied to these products at this time.

	Philippine SSG Trigger Volumes and Imports				
H.S. CODE	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	TRIGGER VOLUME (kg/ head)	IMPORT VOLUME Jan-Jun 2002 (kg/ head)		
0105.92.10	Chicken for breeding weighing not more than 185 g. but not exceeding 2000g.	278 head	3,284 head		
0201.30.00	Meat of bovine animals, boneless, fresh or chilled	981,123 kg	1,644,777 kg		
0202.10.00	Carcasses and half-carcasses, of bovine animals, frozen	464,334 kg	502,505 kg		
0204.23.00	Meat of sheep, fresh or chilled	720 kg	4,088 kg		
0206.80.00	Edible offal of sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh or chilled	81,026 kg	153,291 kg		
0207.32.12	Meat of ducks, not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled	138,958 kg	260,976 kg		
0701.90.20	Potatoes, fresh or chilled	1,723,293 kg	2,706,835 kg		

1008.90.00	Other cereals	163,491 kg	183,875 kg
1602.20.00	Liver of any animals	76,370 kg	202,037 kg
1602.32.10	Meat and offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, prepared or preserved in airtight containers	25,672 kg	83,160 kg
1602.42.00	Shoulders and cuts thereof, of swine prepared or preserved	19,155 kg	23,670 kg
2101.12.20	Preparations with a basis of extracts, essences or concentrates or with a basis of coffee	4,537,534 kg	5,454,831 kg
2303.10.00	Residues of starch manufacture and similar residues	739,055 kg	2,096,190 kg

The DA has ordered the imposition of an additional volume-based SSG duty of 15 percent on meat and offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, prepared of preserved in airtight containers (1602.32.10) until the end of the year. According to data provided by the Bureau of Customs, the recorded import volume of the said product for the first six months of the year has already breached the set volume trigger of 83,160 kilograms (refer to GAIN RP#2073). As yet, the DA has not added other products for imposition of the volume-based SSG duty.

 $1.TV = (C_{2001}\text{-}C_{2000}) + BTL \ [\underline{I_{2001} + I_{2000} + I_{1999}} / 3]$

where: TV = Trigger Volume C = Consumption I = Imports BTL = Base Trigger Level (could be equal to 125%, 110% or 105% depending on Market Access Opportunity) MAO = Market Access Opportunity

2. MAO = $\begin{bmatrix} \underline{I}_{2001} + \underline{I}_{2000} + \underline{I}_{1999} \end{bmatrix}$ $C_{2001} + C_{2000} + C_{1999}$

based on the value of the MAO, the BTL is as follows:

If MAO #10%, BTL = 125% If 10% + MAO #30%, BTL = 110% If MAO , 30%, BTL = 105%

Annex 1

H.S. CODE	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	TRIGGER VOLU	JME
0101.11 00	Pure-bred breeding horses	119,703	heads
0101.19 00	Other live horses	2,664	heads
0101.20 00	Asses, mules and hinnies		
0102.10 00	Pure-bred breeding bovine animals	1,255,878	heads
0102.90 00	Other live bovine animals	66,435,724	heads
0103.91 20	Live swine weighing less than 50 kg	183	heads
0103.92 20	Live swine weighing 50 kg or more	138	heads
0104.20 92	Other live goats	4	heads
0105.11 10	Chicks for breeding weighing not more than 185 g	6,655	heads
0105.11 92	Fowls of the species Gallus domesticus weighing not more than 185 grams, other than those of sub-heading No. 0105.1110		
0105.12 10	Turkeys for breeding weighing not more than 185 g		
0105.12 92	Other turkeys weighing not more than 185 g		
0105.19 10	Ducks and geese for breeding, weighing not more than 185 g		
0105.19 92	Other live poultry weighing not more than 185 g		
0105.92 10	Chicken for breeding, weighing more than 185 g but not exceeding	278	heads
0105.92 20	Game cock or any male chicken for cockfighting weighing more than 185 g but not exceeding 2000 g	186	heads
0105.92 92	Other fowls of the species Gallus domesticus weighing more than 185 g but not exceeding 2000 g		
0105.93 10	Chicken for breeding, weighing more than 2000 g	102	heads
0105.93 20	Game cock or any male chicken for cockfighting weighing more than 2000 g	60	heads
0105.93 92	Other fowls of the species Gallus domesticus weighing more than		
0105.99 12	Ducks, geese and turkeys, weighing more than 185 g		
0105.99 92	Other live poultry, weighing more than 185 g, n.e.s.		
0106.00 00	Other live animals, n.e.s.		
0201.10 00	Carcasses and half-carcasses, of bovine animals, fresh or chilled	7,621	kilos
0201.20 00	Other cuts with bone in, of bovine animals, fresh or chilled	307,562	kilos
0201.30 00	Meat of bovine animals, boneless, fresh or chilled	981,123	kilos
0202.10 00	Carcasses and half-carcasses, of bovine animals, frozen	464,334	kilos
0202.20 00	Other cuts with bone in, of bovine animals, frozen	6,223,726	kilos
0202.30 00	Meat of bovine animals, boneless, frozen	112,416,273	kilos
0203.11 20	Carcasses and half-carcasses ,of swine, fresh or chilled	21,064,464	kilos
0203.12 20	Hams, shoulders and cuts thereof with bone in, of swine, fresh or	27,450,877	kilos
0203.19 12	Pork bellies, fresh or chilled	14,607,789	kilos
0203.19 22	Fore-ends and cuts thereof, of swine, fresh or chilled	4,805,655	kilos
0203.19 92	Other meat of swine other than pork bellies and fore-ends and cuts thereof, fresh or chilled	3,847,362	kilos

0203.21 20	Carcasses and half-carcasses of swine, frozen	3,678,902	kilos
0203.22 20	Hams, shoulders and cuts thereof with bone in, of swine, frozen	187,956,684	kilos
0203.29 12	Pork bellies, frozen	202,648,790	kilos
0203.29 22	Fore-ends and cuts thereof, of swine, frozen	1,362,368	kilos
0203.29 92	Other meat of swine other than pork bellies and fore-ends and cuts thereof, frozen	74,883,950	kilos
0204.10 00	Carcasses and half-carcasses, of lamb, fresh or chilled	27,443	kilos
0204.21 00	Carcasses and half-carcasses, of sheep, fresh or chilled		
0204.22 00	Other cuts with bone in of sheep, fresh or chilled	1,110,881	kilos
0204.23 00	Meat of sheep, boneless, fresh or chilled	720	kilos
0204.30 00	Carcasses and half-carcasses, of lamb, frozen	95,432	kilos
0204.41 00	Carcasses and half-carcasses, of sheep, frozen	9,683	kilos
0204.42 00	Other cuts with bone in of sheep, frozen	1,087,932	kilos
0204.43 00	Meat of sheep, boneless, frozen	91,083	kilos
0204.50 20	Meat of goats, fresh, chilled or frozen		
0205.00 00	Meat of horses, asses and mules of hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen	21,073	kilos
0206.10 00	Edible offal of bovine animals, fresh or chilled	643,216	kilos
0206.21 00	Tongues of bovine animals, frozen	283,256	kilos
0206.22 00	Livers of bovine animals, frozen	8,407,728	kilos
0206.29 00	Other edible offal of bovine animals, frozen	10,939,014	kilos
0206.30 00	Edible offal of swine, fresh or chilled	2,065,161	kilos
0206.41 00	Livers of swine, frozen	7,955,877	kilos
0206.49 00	Other edible offal of swine, frozen	19,407,356	kilos
0206.80 00	Edible offal of sheep, goats, horses, assess, mules or hinnies, fresh or chilled	81,026	kilos
0206.90 00	Edible offal of sheep, goats, horses, assess, mules or hinnies, frozen	1,233,492	kilos
0207.11 20	Meat offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled	260,832,804	kilos
0207.12 20	Meat of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, not cut in pieces,	211,707,206	kilos
0207.13 20	Cuts and offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, cut in pieces, fresh or chilled	425,661	kilos
0207.14 12	Livers of the species Gallus domesticus, frozen	326,818	kilos
0207.1492	Other cuts and offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, frozen	131,006,195	kilos
0207.24 20	Meat of turkey, not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled	155,899	kilos
0207.26 20	Cuts and offal of turkeys, fresh or chilled	58,914	kilos
0207.27 12	Livers of turkey, frozen	25,138	kilos
0207.32 12	Meat of ducks, not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled	138,958	kilos
0207.32 22	Meat of geese or guinea fowls, not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled		
0207.33 20	Meat of ducks, geese or guinea fowls, not cut in pieces, frozen	541,265	kilos
0207.34 20	Fatty livers of ducks, geese or guinea fowls, fresh or chilled	112,904	kilos
0207.35 20	Cuts and offal of ducks, geese or guinea fowls, cut in pieces, fresh or chilled	129,645	kilos

0207.36 12	Livers of ducks, geese or guinea fowls, frozen	47,932	kilos
0207.36 92	Cuts and offal, other than liver of ducks, geese or guinea fowls,	418,967	kilos
0208.1000	Meat and edible meat offal of rabbits or hares, fresh, chilled or frozen	2,680	kilos
0208.20 00	Frogs' legs, fresh, chilled or frozen	833	kilos
0208.90 00	Other meat and edible meat offal, fresh, chilled or frozen	736,596	kilos
0210.11 20	Hams, shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone-in, of swine, salted, in brine, dried or smoked	371,636	kilos
0210.12 20	Bellies (streaky) and cuts thereof of swine, salted, in brine, dried or smoked	2,262,622	kilos
0210.19 20	Other meat and edible meat offal of swine, salted, in brine, dried, or smoked	2,748,430	kilos
0210.20 00	Meat of bovine animals, salted, in brine, dried or smoked	1,523,605	kilos
0210.90 10	Freeze-dried chicken dice	260,151	kilos
0210.90 92	Meat and edible meat offal of other animals including edible flours and meals of meat or meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked	1,525,149	kilos
0701.10 00	Seed potatoes (not including sweet potatoes)	205,275	kilos
0701.90 20	Potatoes, fresh or chilled, other than seed potatoes	1,723,293	kilos
0703.10 00	Onions and shallots, fresh or chilled	21,369,552	kilos
0703.20 00	Garlic, fresh or chilled	18,561,253	kilos
0704.90 10	Cabbages, fresh or chilled	2,005,077	kilos
0704.90 90	Kohlrabe, kale and similar edible brassicas, fresh or chilled	30,102	kilos
0714.10 00	Manioc (cassava) fresh or dried, whether or not sliced or in the form of pellets		
0714.20 00	Sweet potatoes, fresh or dried	8,610,265	kilos
0901.11 20	Coffee, not roasted, not decaffeinated	23,452,701	kilos
0901.12 20	Coffee, not roasted, decaffeinated	11,771,784	kilos
0901.21 20	Coffee, roasted, not decaffeinated	4,646,886	kilos
0901.22 20	Coffee, roasted, decaffeinated	2,886,218	kilos
0901.90 20	Coffee husks and skins; coffee substitutes containing coffee in any preparation	1,055,247	kilos
1001.90 10	Wheat used as feed	196,576,532	kilos
1002.00 00	Rye	4,307	kilos
1003.00 00	Barley	7,475,002	kilos
1004.00 00	Oats	9,714,715	kilos
1005.10 00	Maize (corn) seed	6,610,424	kilos
1005.90 10	Popcorn	5,960,982	kilos
1005.90 92	Maize (corn), other than seed	581,788,341	kilos
1007.00 00	Grain sorghum	33,181,024	kilos
1008.90 00	Other cereals	163,491	kilos
1103.11 00	Groats and meal of wheat	12,852,256	kilos
1103.13 00	Groats and meal of maize (corn)	284,817	kilos
1103.21 00	Pellets of wheat	5,894,830	kilos

1104.22 00	Other worked oats	189,219	kilos
1104.23 00	Other worked grains of maize (corn)	290,610	kilos
1109.00 00	Wheat gluten, whether or not dried	1,081,945	kilos
1601.00 00	Sausages and similar products, of meat, meat offal or blood; food preparations based on these products.	1,286,800	kilos
1602.10 00	Homogenised preparations of meat and edible meat offal	43,302	kilos
1602.20 00	Liver of any animal, prepared or preserved	76,370	kilos
1602.31 10	Turkey meat or offal, prepared or preserved, in airtight containers	64,474	kilos
1602.31 90	Turkey meat or offal, prepared or preserved, other than in airtight containers	50,323	kilos
1602.32 10	Meat and offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, prepared or preserved in airtight containers	25,672	kilos
1602.32 90	Meat or offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, prepared or preserved other than in airtight containers	72,569	kilos
1602.39 10	Poultry meat or offal, other than of turkey and of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, prepared or preserved in airtight containers	58,782	kilos
1602.39 90	Poultry meat or offal, other than turkey and of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, prepared or preserved, other than in airtight	92,419	kilos
1602.41 10	Hams and cuts thereof of swine, prepared or preserved, in airtight containers	4,904,333	kilos
1602.41 90	Hams and cuts thereof of swine, prepared or pre< served, other than in airtight contai	1,086,773	kilos
1602.42 00	Shoulders and cuts thereof, of swine, prepared or preserved	19,155	kilos
1602.49 00	Other prepared or preserved meat and offal of swine, including	6,069,578	kilos
1602.50 00	Meat and meat offal of bovine animals, prepared or preserved	2,335,937	kilos
1602.90 10	Other prepared or preserved meat and offal including preparations of blood of any animal, in airtight containers, n.e.s.	189,100	kilos
1602.9090	Other prepared or preserved meat and offal including preparations of blood of any animal, other than in airtight containers, n.e.s.	91,891	kilos
1701.11 20	Cane sugar, raw, not containing added flavoring or coloring matter	38,315,980	kilos
1701.12 20	Beet sugar, raw, not containing added flavoring or coloring matter	29,696,443	kilos
2101.11 20	Extracts, essences and concentrates of coffee	1,589,012	kilos
2101.1220	Preparations with a basis of extracts, essences or concentrates or with a basis of coffee	4,537,534	kilos
2302.10 00	Bran, sharps and other residues, whether or not in the form of pellets, derived from the sifting, milling or other working of maize (corn)	910,033	kilos
2303.10 00	Residues of starch manufacture and similar residues	739,055	kilos