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VI Supply Plan

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Report Highlights:

The Venezuelan Government is putting into force their so-called "VI Supply Plan" with an investment of five billion Bolivars on basic food basket products, raw materials for the elaboration of "first need" foods, and others. The Ministry of Agriculture will handle the VI Supply Plan.

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Government will spend 5.11 billion Bolivars in food purchases (VI Supply Plan)

Official Gazette #39027 published on September 30, 2008 included a new decree that authorizes the Corporation of Provision and Agricultural Services (CASA) to purchase 5.11 billion Bolivars (about USD 2.4 billion at the official rate) of the following products within 180 days: rice, pastas, corn flour, oil, margarine, coffee, beef, chicken, canned sardine, mayonnaise, tomato sauce, canned jurel, canned tuna, whole and low-fat milk, vegetables, fruits, cereals and the ingredients to prepare the Venezuelan Christmas dish called "hallacas", and other typical dishes as turkey, grapes, haunch, olives, capers, pickles, jam, cakes, nuts, and almonds. The resolution establishes that purchases may be imported when a deficit of these food products exists.