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Wheat Voluntary Updates

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Report Highlights:

Estimates for Egyptian wheat imports and consumption estimate for MY 1999/2000 are revised downward due to increased amount of locally purchased wheat and reduced imports.

Includes PSD changes: Yes

Includes Trade Matrix: No

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PSD Table						
Country:	Egypt					
Commodity:	Wheat					
		1998		1999		2000
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/98		07/99		07/2000
Area Harvested	1050	1017	1030	1000	0	1008
Beginning Stocks	3000	2800	1978	1989	0	1989
Production	6000	6104	6300	6550	0	6600
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Imports	7300	5935	6500	5500	0	6200
Jul-Jun Imports	7200	5935	6500	5500	0	6200
Jul-Jun Import U.S.	4000	3783	4000	4000	0	4300
TOTAL SUPPLY	16300	14839	14778	14039	0	14789
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-Jun Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Dom. Consumption	60	60	60	60	0	60
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	13100	12850	12778	12050	0	12789
Ending Stocks	3200	1989	2000	1989	0	2000
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	16300	14839	14778	14039	0	14789

Since the beginning of the Egyptian marketing year 1999/2000 (July) Egypt has purchased a total of 5,090,046 MT of wheat as follows:

GASC: 2,385,000 MT
 FICH: 1,305,046 MT
 Private sector: 1,400,000 MT (estimated)

The latest wheat purchased by GASC was a contract of 120,000 MT of HRWW from the U.S.A. at a price of \$ 94.49/MT/FOB. In addition, FIHC purchased two shipments of HRW (60,000 MT and 55,000 MT) from the U.S. during May, 2000 at price of \$128.34 and \$126.50/MT/FOB respectively.

While purchases for both GASC and FIHC are actual contracts, private sector imports are estimates based on information on shipments arrival obtained from several sources. According to trade contacts, about 55% of private sector wheat imports are from the U.S., and about 20% from Australia, 15% from Argentina, 5% from Turkey and the balance is small shipments from Canada and France.

PS&D estimates for MY 1999 and MY 2000 have been revised to reflect the information we have at present. The estimate total imports in MY 1999/2000 was revised downward from 6 MMT to 5.5 MMT and total consumption from 12.35 M MT to 12.05 M MT respectively.