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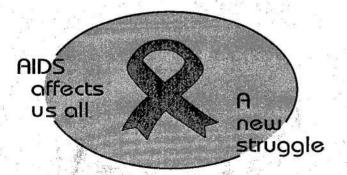
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### NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

## TRADE, DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION AGREEMENT (TDCA) BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) AND THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

### MANAGEMENT OF TARIFF QUOTA FOR IMPORTS INTO SOUTH AFRICA OF PRODUCTS FALLING UNDER HS CODE 0406 (CHEESE)

A Trade, Development and Co-operation Agreement (TDCA) between the European Community (EC) and the Republic of South Africa has been established and will enter into force on 1 January 2000. This agreement provides for the establishment of a bilateral free trade area between the EC and South Africa in accordance with the World Trade Organisation (WTO) rules.

As part of the agreement, reciprocal tariff quotas for the importation of cheese falling under HS Code 0406 have been established. In this regard, the EC granted South Africa a quota of 5000 tonnes to enter EC markets at duty-free levels, with an annual, non-cumulative growth factor of 5 percent. In return, South Africa granted the EC a quota of 5000 tonnes to enter South African markets at a duty equal to 50 percent of the applicable Most-Favoured-Nation (MFN) rate, with an annual, non-cumulative growth factor of 3 percent. The quota was granted on the condition that no export subsidies are payable on products entering the South African markets under this quota.

Notice is herewith given that South Africa will only grant the preferences established under the tariff quota for cheese (HS Code 0406) to an importer on a first-come-first-served basis and subject to a declaration on the EUR1 form (certificate of origin) accompanying a consignment that the goods in question have not benefited from export refunds extended by any European Commission or EC member state scheme.

The products in question (falling under HS Code 0406) are listed under the column entitled HS Code 96 of Annex VI, List 4, of the Agreement on Trade, Development and Cooperation between the Republic of South Africa on the one part, and the European Community and its Member States of the other part.

This notice comes into effect at the entry into force of the TDCA on 1 January 2000.

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