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Committee on Market Access

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**NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO THE DECISION ON NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES
FOR QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS (G/L/59/REV.1)**

THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Addendum

The following communication, dated 29 January 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Republic of Moldova.

A. Notifying Member: Republic of Moldova
B. Date of notification: 26 January 2024
C. First time notification: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No, last notification was made in (doc. symbol): G/MA/QR/N/MDA/2/Add.3
D. Type of notification: <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Complete (i.e. notification of all quantitative restrictions in force) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Changes to a notification previously made in G/MA/QR/N/MDA/2 which are of the following nature: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2.1 Introduction of new restrictions, as listed in Section 1. <input type="checkbox"/> 2.2 Elimination of restrictions, as described in G and Section 1. below. <input type="checkbox"/> 2.3 Modification of a previously notified restriction, as described in Section 1. <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Reverse notification of restrictions maintained by (Member):
E. The notification provides information for the following biennial period <u>2022-2024</u> and relates to restrictions in force as of <u>10 January 2024</u>
F. This notification contains information* relating to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 1: List of quantitative restrictions that are currently in force. <input type="checkbox"/> Section 2: Cross-reference to other WTO notifications with information on quantitative restrictions that are currently in force and additional information.

* In English only.

G. Comments of a general nature, including a description of the elimination of restrictions notified under D.2.2 and the date they ceased to be in force.

In order to maintain an economically sustainable price on the internal market for domestic products such as wheat, maize and sunflower, the Commission for Exceptional Situations of the Republic of Moldova imposed the temporary measure on the licensing imports for certain products for a period of three months (Disposition no. 98 of December 27, 2023, website link of the new regulation:

https://gov.md/sites/default/files/document/attachments/98_dispozitia_cse_rm_nr_97_27.12.2023.pdf

The regulation on the establishing and functioning of the Import Licensing Commission for some cereal products and oilseeds was approved by the Order of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, no. 4 of January 5, 2024, website link of the new regulation:

https://www.legis.md/cautare/getResults?doc_id=141144&lang=ro

Section 1: List of quantitative restrictions that have been eliminated

QR No.	General description of the restriction	Type of restriction	Tariff line code(s) affected, based on HS (2017)	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification and Grounds for Restriction, e.g., Other International Commitments	National legal basis and entry into force	Administration, modification of previously notified measures, and other comments
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Temporary measure on the licensing of imports for certain products	NAL	1001 1005 1206	Wheat Maize Sunflower seeds whether or not broken The following subheadings from the CN are exempted: 1001 11 - Durum wheat intended for sowing; 1001 19 - Other, intended for sowing; 1001 91 - Triticum spelta, common wheat, meslin and others, intended for sowing; 1005 10 - Maize, intended for sowing; 1206 00 100 - Sunflower seeds, intended for sowing; 1206 00 910 - Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken, shelled or in grey and white striped shell.	Article XX of the GATT 1994;	Disposition no. 98 of 27 December 2023 (https://gov.md/sites/default/files/document/attachments/98_disp_ozitia_cse_rm_nr_97_27.12.2023.pdf) The regulation on the establishing and functioning of the Import Licensing Commission for some cereal products and oilseeds was approved by the Order of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, no. 4 of 5 January 2024 and entered into force on 10 January 2024 for a period of three months (https://www.legis.md/cautare/getResults?doc_id=141144&lang=ro).	Administered by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry

Section 2: Cross-reference to other WTO notifications with information on quantitative restrictions that are currently in force

This section shall be filled by Members in case a notification made pursuant to another notification requirement (e.g., set in the Agreement on Agriculture, Agreement on Balance of Payments, Agreement on Safeguards, and the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, etc.) contains information on a quantitative restriction in force and which is not listed in Section 1.

1. Agreement on Agriculture

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☐ No ☒
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

Document symbol of notification	General description	Type of restriction	Tariff line code(s) affected, based on HS()	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification and Grounds for Restriction, e.g., Other International Commitments	National legal basis and entry into force	Administration; modification of prev. notified measures; and other comments
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
G/AG/N/							

2. Agreement on Balance of Payments

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☐ No ☒
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

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WT/BOP/N/							

3. Agreement on Safeguards

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☐ No ☒
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
G/SG/N/							

4. Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures (non-automatic licences)

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☒ No ☐
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

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5. Other notifications

A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction in other notifications? Yes ☐ No ☒

B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

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