

Negotiations for the Accession of the People's Republic of China to the WTO

The Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Republic of Argentina hereby inform the Director-General of the World Trade Organization that they have concluded their bilateral market access negotiations in the context of the accession of the People's Republic of China to the WTO, in accordance with the three attached Annexes (Annex 1—List of Concessions, Tariffs; Annex 2—List of Concessions, Tariff Quotas; and Annex 3—SPS Issues) which are an integral part of their bilateral agreement.

They accordingly attach hereto the original of the list of concessions on goods which the People's Republic of China grants to the Republic of Argentina.

The People's Republic of China also grants to the Republic of Argentina Initial Negotiating Rights for goods negotiated with the Republic of Argentina as identified in the attached list of concessions at the rate which the People's Republic of China binds in its final schedule.

The People's Republic of China shall ensure that the bound rates of duties upon its accession to the WTO shall be, at any time, no less favorable than that agreed on March 11, 2000.

For the Republic of Argentina



Secretary of Foreign International
Economic Relations and
Consular Affairs

For the People's Republic of China



Vice Minister
Ministry of Foreign Trade and
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Annex 1

List of Concessions Granted by the People's Republic of China to the Republic of Argentina

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NO	Tariff Item Number	Description of Products	Base Rate of Duty	Bound Rate of Duty	Implementation Period	Initial Negotiating Right
1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	2012000	Fresh or chilled unboned bovine meat (excl. carcasses)	45.0	12.0	2004	AR
2	2013000	Fresh or chilled boneless bovine meat	45.0	12.0	2004	AR
3	2022000	Frozen unboned bovine meat (excl. carcasses)	45.0	12.0	2004	AR
4	2023000	Frozen boneless bovine meat	45.0	12.0	2004	AR
5	2061000	Fresh or chilled edible bovine offal	20.0	12.0	2004	AR
6	2062100	Frozen bovine tongues	20.0	12.0	2004	AR
7	2062200	Frozen bovine livers	20.0	12.0	2004	AR
8	2062900	Frozen edible bovine offal (excl. tongues & livers)	20.0	12.0	2004	AR
9	3037900	Frozen fish, nes	20.0	10.0	2004	
10	3074190	Cuttle fish&squid, live, fresh or chilled, o/t cultivation	25.0	15.0	2003	
11	3074900	Cuttle fish & squid, frozen, dried, saltd or in brine	25.0	15.0	2003	
12	5119100	Products of fish, etc; dead animals of Chapter 3	12.0	12.0	2000	
13	6011010	Dormant stigma croci corms	4.0	4.0	2000	
14	6011090	Dormant bulbs, tubers, corms, rhizomes, nes	15.0	5.0	2004	
15	6012000	Bulbs/tubers/rhizomes...in growth/flower; chicory plants & roots	15.0	15.0	2000	
16	6022090	Edible fruit or nut trees, shrubs & bushes, o/t seedlings	10.0	10.0	2000	
17	6023000	Rhododendrons & azaleas	15.0	15.0	2000	
18	6024000	Roses	15.0	15.0	2000	
19	6029099	Other live plants, nes, not for breeding	10.0	10.0	2000	
20	8051000	Oranges, fresh or dried	40.0	11.0	2004	AR
21	8053000	Lemons & limes, fresh or dried	40.0	11.0	2004	AR
22	8081000	Apples, fresh	30.0	10.0	2004	
23	8082011	Ya pears, Hsueh pears or Xiang pears, fresh	30.0	12.0	2004	
24	8082019	Other pears, fresh, nes	30.0	10.0	2004	
25	9030000	Mate	30.0	10.0	2004	AR
26	10011000	Durum wheat	80.0	65.0	2004	
27	10019000	Spelt, common wheat & meslin	80.0	65.0	2004	
28	10054000	Maize seed	80.0	65.0	2004	
29	10059000	Maize (excl. seed)	80.0	65.0	2004	
30	11010000	Wheat or meslin flour	80.0	65.0	2004	

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1	2		3	4	5	6
31	11022000	Maize (corn) flour	80.0	65.0	2004	
32	11031100	Groats & meal of wheat	80.0	65.0	2004	
33	11031300	Groats & meal of maize (corn)	80.0	65.0	2004	
34	11032100	Wheat pellets	80.0	65.0	2004	
35	11042300	Other worked grains of maize (corn), nes	80.0	65.0	2004	
36	12081000	Soya bean flour & meal	9.0	9.0	2000	
37	15071000	Crude soya-bean oil	85.0	9.0	2006	AR
38	15079000	Soya-bean oil (excl. crude) & fractions	85.0	9.0	2006	AR
39	15121100	Crude sunflower-seed & safflower oil & fractions thereof	10.0	10.0/2000, 9.0/2006	2006	
40	15121900	Sunflower-seed & safflower oil (excl. crude) & fractions thereof	10.0	10.0/2000, 9.0/2006	2006	
41	15179000	Edible prep.s of fats & oils, nes	40.0	25.0	2004	
42	16025010	Preparations of bovine animals, in airtight containers	25.0	12.0	2004	AR
43	16025090	Preparations of bovine animals, nes	25.0	12.0	2004	AR
44	19012000	Mixes & doughs for prep. of bakers' wares of 19.05	25.0	25.0	2000	
45	23023000	Brans, sharps & other residues of wheat	5.0	3.0	2004	
46	27090000	Petroleum oils & oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude	1.5	1.5	2000	
47	27100031	Light diesel oil	6.0	6.0	2000	
48	32011000	Quebracho extract	8.0	5.0	2000	
49	32029000	Inorganic tanning substances; tanning prep.s..., nes	10.0	7.0	2001	
50	38083099	Anti-sproutng prod/plant growth regulators, not for retail sale	6.0	6.0	2000	
51	38099100	Finishing agents, etc, of a kind used in the textile or like industry	10.0	7.0	2001	
52	40169990	Other articles of vulcanized rubber, nes	18.0	10.0	2003	
53	51011100	Greasy shorn wool, not carded or combed	38.0	38.0	2000	
54	51011900	Greasy wool (excl. shorn), not carded or combed	38.0	38.0	2000	
55	51012100	Degreased shorn wool, not carbonised, not carded or combed	38.0	38.0	2000	
56	51012900	Degreased wool (excl. shorn), not carbonised, not carded or combed	38.0	38.0	2000	
57	51013000	Carbonised wool, not carded or combed	38.0	38.0	2000	
58	51031010	Noils of wool, not garnetted stock	38.0	38.0	2000	
59	51051000	Carded wool	38.0	38.0	2000	
60	51052100	Combed wool in fragments	38.0	38.0	2000	
61	51052900	Wool tops & combed wool (excl. in fragments)	38.0	38.0	2000	
62	72081000	Flat rlld prod, i/nas, in coil, hr,w \geq 600mm, patterns in relief	6.0	5.0	2000	
63	72082500	Flat rlld prod, i/nas, in coil, hr,w \geq 600mm, pickled, thk \geq 4.75mm	6.0	5.0	2000	
64	72082600	Flat rlld prod, i/nas, in coil, hr,w \geq 600mm, pickld, 3mm \leq thk<4.75n	6.0	5.0	2000	

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1	2	3	4	5	6	
65	72082700	Flat rlld prod, i/nas, in coil, hr,w \geq 600mm, pickled, thick< 3mm	6.0	5.0	2000	
66	72083700	Flat rlld prod, i/nas, in coil, hr,w \geq 600mm, 4.75mm \leq thk <10mm	6.0	5.0	2000	
67	72083800	Flat rlld prod, i/nas,in coil, hr,w \geq 600mm, 3mm \leq thk <4.75mm	6.0	5.0	2000	
68	72083900	Flat rlld prod, i/nas, in coil, hr,w \geq 600mm,thick <3mm	6.0	3.0	2001	
69	72139100	Bars/rods,i/nas,hr,in irreg wnd coils of circ cross sect,dia<14mm	12.0	5.0	2002	
70	72139900	Bars/rods,i/nas,hr,in irreg wound coils of circular cross sect, nes	12.0	5.0	2002	
71	73041000	Pipes, line, i/s, smls, of a kind used for oil' gas pipelines	10.0	5.0	2001	
72	73042100	Drill pipe,i/s,smls,for use in drilling for oil' gas	10.0	4.0	2002	
73	73042900	Casings/tubing pipe,i/s,smls,for use in drilling for oil' gas	10.0	4.0	2002	
74	73043910	Boiler tube/pipe, i/non alloy s, smls, circular cs, not cld dr/rl	10.0	4.0	2002	
75	73043920	Geo casin/drill pipe, i/non alloy s, smls, circ cs, not cld dr/rl	10.0	5.0	2001	
76	73043990	Tubes, pipe..., i/non alloy s, smls, circular cs, not cld dr/rl,nes	10.0	4.0	2002	
77	73089000	Structure/parts nes, prepd plate,rods etc for struct, i/s	15.0	4.0	2004	
78	84818090	Taps, cocks & similar appliances, nes	12.0	5.0	2002	



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**List of Concessions Granted by the People's Republic of China to the Republic of Argentina
(Tariff Quotas)**

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unit:1000 tons

Description of products	Tariff item number(s)	Initial quota quantity	Final quota quantity	In-quota tariff rate	Out-quota tariff rate	Implementation period from/to	Initial negotiating right
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Wheat	10011000	7300	9636	1	80/65	2000-2004	
	10019000			1	80/65		
	11010000			6	80/65		
	11031100			9	80/65		
	11032100			10	80/65		
Corn	10051000	4500	7200	1	80/65	2000-2004	AR
	10059000			1	80/65		
	11022000			9	80/65		
	11031300			9	80/65		
	11042300			10	80/65		
Soybean oil	15071000	1718, 1_/	3261, 1_/	9	85/9	2000-2005	AR
	15079000			9	85/9		
Wool	51011100	242	287	1	38	2000-2004	
	51111900			1	38		
	51012100			1	38		
	51012900			1	38		
	51013000			1	38		
	51031010			1	38		
	51051000			3	38		
Wool top	51052100	65	80	3	38	2000-2004	
	51052900			3	38		
	51052900			3	38		

1_/ Staging of TRQ for soybean oil:

<u>Year</u>	<u>TRQ quota quantity</u>
Upon accession:	1,718,000 tons
2001:	2,118,000 tons
2002:	2,518,000 tons
2003:	2,818,000 tons
2004:	3,118,000 tons
2005:	3,261,000 tons

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SPS ISSUES

China and Argentina agreed to ensure the health and safety of argentine meat exports to China. Both sides agreed that China maintains the right to send a team of experts to review the system of inspection and quarantine and to inspect meat processing plants.

Deboned beef from the plants approved by Argentina according to the requirements of China is allowed to be exported to China and sold in Chinese market.

As soon as Argentina is admitted as a country free of foot and mouth disease without vaccination by OIE, all beef and ovine products from Argentina will be allowed to be exported to China.

China agreed to import dairy and poultry products from processing plants registered by Argentina in accordance with the Chinese requirements and those products are allowed to be sold in the Chinese market, as long as the Chinese requirements of inspection and quarantine are met. China agreed to discuss and sign the protocol on dairy and poultry products which will establish the quarantine requirements on the products concerned no later than October 31, 2000.

China maintains the right to make random inspection of the plants in Argentina and inspect the shipments as they arrive in China in accordance with Chinese laws and regulations. Should China determine, based on scientific inspection, that a particular shipment is not wholesome, China will refuse to accept shipments from the originating plant until the problem is resolved and notify the argentine authorities.

China has informed that it has already sent the information required by Argentina and a draft protocol on pork products to be exported from China to Argentina. China requested that Argentina analyses the quarantine issue of the pork product exports from China to Argentina as soon as possible. Any additional information that may be required by Argentina will be provided by China. Argentina agreed to consider the request.

According to internationally accepted standards and principles of pest risk assessment (PRA), China will start the PRA work on apples, pears and citrus that Argentina requested to export to China. If required by the Chinese expert panel in order to facilitate the process, Argentina will cooperate to provide additional information. Both sides will consult each other on the PRA results, and sign the protocol on exportation of apples, pears and citrus from Argentina to China once the agreement has been reached. The implementation of the protocol shall take place no later than October 31, 2000.

