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Mexico Announces Import Permits (cupos) for Selected Coffee Products

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Report Highlights:

On April 25, 2003, Mexico's Secretariat of Economy published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" the 2003 quota for imports of selected coffee products.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Introduction: This report summarizes an official announcement published in Mexico's "Diario Oficial" (Federal Register) on April 25, 2003.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: On April 25, 2003, the Secretariat of Economy (SE) published in Mexico's "Diario Oficial" (Federal Register) the 2003 quota for the supply of selected coffee products.

Tariff Classification	Description	Amount of TRQ (MT)
2101.11.01	Instant Coffee without aroma	
2101.11.02	Coffee extract liquid concentrate, including frozen	
2101.11.99	Others, (extracts, essence and concentrates)	
2101.12.01	Preparations based on extracts, essence, and concentrates or coffee based	
		372.4

The mechanism through which the TRQ will be allocated is:

Direct allocation to authorized companies who use of coffee products in their productive processes, and in conformance to the requirements to satisfy domestic demand but not to exceed the each individual company's annual consumption of coffee products. The certificates (*cupos*) for this allocation will be valid until December 31, 2003.

The applications for the request of allocation of the *cupos* must be submitted in form SE-03-011-1 at the General Directorate of Foreign Trade of SE.

Once the quantity to be imported is allocated under TRQ, SE will issue the respective *cupos* to the authorized companies. The *cupo* certificate must be used to import the product concerned or must be returned to the issuing office within 15 days following the expiration date of its validity period.

FAS/Mexico Note: This is NOT an invitation for bids to purchase selected coffee products. Rather, it is an auction of the right to import the listed product duty free. Thus, the auction is limited to Mexican companies within the coffee products industry that use coffee products in their production process. That fact notwithstanding, it impacts U.S. coffee product exporters in that those Mexican importers who are granted the *cupos* will be looking for product to fill the permit shortly after the auction, if not earlier.

Important Dates

1. **Publication Date:** April 25, 2003
2. **Expiration Date:** December 31, 2003

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