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TARIFF-RATE-QUOTA UPDATE
September 13,1999 through November 15,1999
 U.S. Tobacco Imports Subject to Tariff-Rate-Quota 1/

<i>Quota Recipients</i>	<i>1999/2000 Quota, Metric Tons</i>	<i>1999/2000 Imports, Metric Tons</i>	<i>Percent of TRQ Used</i>
Argentina	10,750	1,207	11.2%
Brazil	80,200	4,596	5.7%
Chile	2,750	0	0.0%
European Union	10,000	951	9.5%
Guatemala	9,625	783	8.1%
Malawi	12,000	391	3.3%
Philippines	3,000	143	4.8%
Thailand	7,000	0	0.0%
Zimbabwe	12,000	236	2.0%
Residual 2/	3,000	1,248	41.6%
Total	150,325	9,555	6.4%

1/ U.S. Tariff Schedule line items subject to the tariff-rate quota (TRQ) include flue-cured and light air-cured tobacco, including burley, which are used in the manufacture of cigarettes for consumption in the United States.

2/ A TRQ of 3,000 metric tons is available to all countries, other than the 9 designated quota recipient countries, and is allocated on a first- come/first- served basis.

NOTE: The TRQ is administered on a September 13 - September 12 trade year.

SOURCE: U.S. Customs Service.

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