

**Table 17**

**TARIFF-RATE-QUOTA UPDATE**  
**September 13,1999 through December 13,1999**  
 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	1,385	12.9%
Brazil	80,200	6,125	7.6%
Chile	2,750	0	0.0%
European Union	10,000	1,116	11.2%
Guatemala	10,000	783	7.8%
Malawi	12,000	1,347	11.2%
Philippines	3,000	142	4.7%
Thailand	7,000	0	0.0%
Zimbabwe	12,000	236	2.0%
Residual 2/	3,000	1,248	41.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>150,700</b>	<b>12,382</b>	<b>8.2%</b>

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.

December 1999