(L) 12,900 tonnes for the 12th year;

(M) 13,700 tonnes for the 13th year;

(N) 14,500 tonnes for the 14th year;

(O) 15,300 tonnes for the 15th year;

(P) 16,100 tonnes for the 16th year;

(Q) 16,800 tonnes for the 17th year;

(R) 17,600 tonnes for the 18th year;

(S) 18,400 tonnes for the 19th year;

(T) 19,200 tonnes for the 20th year; and

(U) 20,000 tonnes for the 21th year and for each subsequent year;

(ii) the in-quota rate of customs duty on the originating goods shall be free, provided that the quota quantity to be allocated for each application made by an importer shall not exceed the limit of 3.5 multiplied by the quantity of the natural cheese, specified in the application, produced from domestic milk and used by the importer for the production of processed cheese in Japan. Japan may increase the limit at any time on its own initiative;

(iii) for the purposes of subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the tariff rate quota shall be implemented through a certificate of tariff rate quota issued by the importing Party. The tariff rate quota shall be administered by the importing Party, and the aggregate quota quantity shall be allocated by the importing Party.

(b) The originating goods classified under the tariff lines indicated with "(39)" other than those imported under the tariff rate quota shall be excluded from any tariff commitment referred to in subparagraphs 1(a) to 1(u).

(40) (a) A tariff rate quota shall be applied in accordance with the following:

(i) the aggregate quota quantity shall be as follows:

(A) 200 tonnes for the first year;

(B) 280 tonnes for the second year;

(C) 360 tonnes for the third year;

(D) 440 tonnes for the fourth year;

(E) 520 tonnes for the fifth year;

(F) 600 tonnes for the sixth year;

(G) 680 tonnes for the seventh year;

(H) 760 tonnes for the eighth year;