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TRADE REPORT - QUARTERLY IMPORTS

Rice Imports First Quarter 2009

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Report Highlights:

Rice imports in the first quarter of 2009 increased slightly compared to the last quarter of 2008 (154,183 MT vs. 160,220 MT). Thailand remains the largest supplier with a market share of 77% followed by Vietnam (13%). There were no arrivals from the U.S. this quarter.

Post:

Dakar

Commodities:

Rice, Milled

Executive Summary:

Rice imports in the first quarter of 2009 reached just over 160,000 tons compared to just over 154,000 tons in the last quarter of 2008. Rice imports in the first quarter of 2009 declined slightly when compared to the first quarter of 2008. The decline is attributed in part to an increase in local rice production due to the national program to promote rice self sufficiency in Senegal (PNAR).

There are no arrivals this quarter of paddy rice compared to the previous one (Oct-Dec 2008). However, a small quantity of brown rice was imported representing approximately 4% of the total quantity of rice imported this quarter. Most of the shipment to Senegal was made of broken rice for a market share of 99.8% (see table 3).

Thailand remains the main supplier in Senegal (77%) followed by Vietnam (13%), Brazil (5%), Argentina (4%), Pakistan (1%) and the Republic of China (1%) (See table 2).

Table1: Imported data by origins and Grades

Note: The dollar value reflects the average exchange rate of the period. 1 US\$= 502 F CFA.

Export Country	TOTAL Value CAF \$ U.S.	Net Weight (Kg)
Brown rice	36,017	100,000
REPUBLIC OF CHINA	36,017	100,000
Semi or Whole Milled in 5 KG bags	15,995	11,201
LEBANON	491	55
PAKISTAN	15,105	11,000
REPUBLIC OF CHINA	398	146
Semi or Whole Milled in 5 KG bags or less	138,616	190,256
FRANCE	8,424	4,056
THAILAND	129,979	186,100
REPUBLIC OF CHINA	214	100
Broken Rice	90,856,672	159,918,752
BRAZIL	4,129,746	7,134,137
ARGENTINA	3,507,546	8,344,790
LEBANON	312	550
PAKISTAN	484,728	1,145,698
THAILAND	69,912,546	118,405,382
VIETNAM	12,167,097	23,498,999
REPUBLIC OF CHINA	654,697	1,389,196
TOTAL	91,047,300	160,220,209

Table2: Ranking by countries

Export Country	% market share	Total value CIF \$ U.S.
THAILAND	77	70,042,525
VIETNAM	13	12,167,097
BRAZIL	5	4,129,746
ARGENTINA	4	3,507,546
REPUBLIC OF CHINA	1	691,326
PAKISTAN	1	499,833
FRANCE	0	8,424
LEBANON	0	803
TOTAL	100	91,047,300

Table3: Ranking by Rice grades

Rice Grades	% market share
Broken Rice	99.79
Semi or Whole Milled in 5 KG bags or less	0.15
Brown rice	0.04
Semi or Whole Milled in more than 5 KG bags	0.02
TOTAL	100.00