

**TRADE AGREEMENT UNITED KINGDOM - COLOMBIA, PERU AND
ECUADOR
II SUBCOMMITTE ON AGRICULTURE
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Online
Host: Ecuador**

Delegates from Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and the United Kingdom met virtually to hold the II Subcommittee on Agriculture within the framework of the Trade Agreement to which they are a Party. The list of participants is included in Annex I.

RECORDS OF DISCUSSION ON II MARKET ACCESS SUBCOMMITTE

I. General review of the implementation of the Trade Agreement

The Parties proceeded to give a brief presentation by each delegation to this II Subcommittee on Agriculture.

The **United Kingdom** has a very important commercial relationship with the Andean countries regarding the import and export of agricultural goods. The UK noted that total exports of agricultural goods from the UK to Andean countries amounted to £187 million in 2022, which increased from £118 million in 2021.

Also, the United Kingdom established that there has been no use of TRQs by Colombia, with the exception of sugar cane; on Ecuador's side there has not been any use of TRQs and in the case of Peru a use of TRQs is indicated for a garlic and sweetcorn quota.

Colombia established that the agricultural and agro-industrial trade balance with the United Kingdom for 2022 was in surplus at USD 249.8 million tons, presenting a variation of 9.0 compared to 2021. The main agricultural and livestock products were bananas, coffee, avocado, flowers and plantains. In terms of deforestation, Colombia requested more information regarding the regulation that the UK is advancing to the extent that this may affect exports.

Ecuador indicated that, in terms of agricultural trade, 33% of Ecuador's exports to the United Kingdom correspond to agricultural products. Also mentioned that bananas are the main export product to the United Kingdom and the fastest growing products since the entry into force of the Agreement are: coffee, grapes, roses, banana puree and paste.

Peru indicated that its exports of agricultural products to the United Kingdom reached USD 402 million in 2022. The main exported goods were fruits, coffee, asparagus and quinoa. Also highlighted the uses of the TRQs in 2022 mainly milk and high-sugar content products.

II. Conclusions

The Andean countries highlighted the importance of diversifying Andean exports, as well as the important of a jointly work in order to recover the main products that have a reduction in exports such as bananas, in order to guarantee the benefits and commitments of the Trade Agreement.

The United Kingdom confirmed and reiterated its commitment in the discussions between the Parties in the next Agriculture Subcommittees to improve the effective application of the Trade Agreement.

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ANNEX I

SUBCOMITTE ON AGRICULTURE PARTICIPANTS

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