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Product	Type of Restriction	Estimated Impact on U.S. Trade	Trade Agreement Status
<u>Non-Agricultural Quantitative Restrictions</u>			
All imports	Government monopoly of imports	Impact varies for different commodities, but total impact not significant. 1965 imports from U.S.-\$17million.	Legal under GATT Article XVIII and affects bound items
			Government is the sole importer, procuring most requirements on open international tenders. Allocations for imports determined on basis of exchange availability and economic needs, with priority to essential development and consumer goods.
<u>Valuation and Taxes</u>			
All goods imported for sale	Sales tax:	Not significant	A 20 percent discount is granted if tax is paid within 3 months of customs clearance. Presently not clear whether tax is being collected with Government the only importer.
	(a) Luxury goods-		
	18.75%		
	(b) Standard goods-		
	12.50%		
	(c) Privileged goods-		
	6.25%		
			Legal and negotiable. Affects bound items.

1/ Burma's current tariff is being held confidential by the Government and is not available to the U.S. Embassy. This would appear to be inconsistent with the obligations of a contracting party.