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Product	Type of Restriction	Estimated Impact on U. S. Trade	Trade Agreement Status	Remarks
<u>Non-Agricultural Quantitative Restrictions</u>				
Firearms, munitions, poisons, pork and alcoholic beverages	Import Licensing	Not significant	Items not bound 1/	These items require an import license. These are issued on a nondiscriminatory basis. All other imports enter freely.
<u>Other Restrictions</u>				
All imports	Arab boycott of Israel	Impact significant for affected companies, but impact on total U. S. exports not believed to be substantial	Legal only if Kuwait has invoked Article XXIV against Israel.	An exporter is required to guarantee that goods will not be shipped on black-listed ships or ships that stop at Israeli ports. The importer may sue the exporter for losses if the guarantee is not met and the goods are held up in customs. The guarantee should be included as part of the certificate of origin. Kuwait also boycotts products of certain U.S. companies with business interests in Israel.
All imports	Agency requirements	Not significant	Legal	To sell in Kuwait one must appoint a Kuwaiti agent, or if one wishes to sell through one's own outlets, one must form a partnership with a Kuwaiti individual or firm.

1/ Legality is questionable since Kuwait has not as yet justified these QR's.