TABLE 2. PHILIPPINE IMPORTS FROM ALL COUNTRIES

JANUARY 1998, DECEMBER AND JANUARY 1997

(F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

====		1998	 1	1997		GROWTH RATES (%)	
	COMMODITY	JANUARY	 DECEMBER	JANUARY	 MONTHLY 	ANNUAL	
	TOTAL	2,832.07	2,794.59	2,837.89	1.3	-0.2	
1.	Electronics and components 1/	566.28	554.43	411.71	2.1	37.5	
2.	Telecommunication Equipment						
	Electrical Machinery 2/	281.10	263.52	342.62	6.7	-18.0	
3.	Industrial Machinery and Equipment	257.44	268.25	279.44	-4. 0	- 7.9	
4.	Mineral fuels, lubricants and						
	related materials	208.02	235.60	316.63	-11.7	-34.3	
5.	Transport equipment	186.25	148.27	176.24	25.6	5.7	
6.	Materials/accessories imported on						
	consignment basis for the						
	manufacture of oth electrical &						
	electronic machinery & eqpt.	176.42	218.04	161.98	-19.1	8.9	
7.	Office and EDP Machines	159.39	140.24	85.47	13.7	86.5	
8.	Textile yarn, fabrics, made up						
	articles and releated products 1/	94.52	83.51	104.31	13.2	-9.4	
9.	Cereals and cereal preparations	70.36	66.23	26.60	6.2	164.5	
10.	Iron and Steel	69.50	66.52	99.24	4.5	-30.0	
11.	Organic and inorganic chemical	54.46	48.05	50.79	13.3	7.2	
12.	Plastics in primary and non-primary forms	53.31	45.73	70.96	16.6	-24.9	
13.	Metal Products	43.64	43.25	38.41	0.9	13.6	
14.	Power generating and Specialized Machine	ry 43.53	40.00	58.03	8.8	-25.0	
15.	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	39.11	36.70	36.37	6.6	7.5	
16.	Professional, scientific and						
	controlling instruments;						
	photographic and optical goods,						
	n.e.s.; watches and clocks	37.02	38.25	41.26	-3.2	-10.3	
17.	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	31.97	20.95	20.50	52.6	55.9	
18.	Feeding stuff for animals (not						

	including unmilled cereals)	29.15	5.74	30.49	407.9	-4.4
19.	Paper and Paper Products	27.38	17.73	29.35	54.4	-6.7
20.	Non-Ferrous Metal	24.38	25.24	28.39	-3.4	-14.1
21.	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	22.90	20.46	23.31	11.9	-1.8
22.	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	21.47	42.26	32.84	-49.2	-34.6
23.	Dairy products	20.47	26.12	37.40	-21.6	-45.3
24.	Non-metallic Mineral Manufactures	17.42	22.19	24.23	-21.5	-28.1
25.	Textiles fiber & their waste	14.19	11.64	21.26	21.9	-33.3
26.	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials	13.38	11.57	16.59	15.6	-19.4
27.	Fertilizers, manufactured	12.69	9.04	11.41	40.4	11.2
28.	Rubber manufactured	9.59	10.47	16.16	-8.4	-40.7
29.	OTHERS	246.72	274.69	245.91	-10.18	0.33

Source: Trade Statistics Division

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^{1/} includes on consignment and not on consignment

^{2/} includes telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing
 apparatus and equipment