2. Fertilizer Situation

Consumption of fertilizers in 1983 is estimated to increase by 5% to 1,245,700 tonnes. Domestic supply accounts for about 35.4% of total requirements.

Import Mechanism

Rice imports are conducted on a government to government basis. All other grains are imported by private companies/importers. In 1983 Malaysia imported 41.6 thousand tonnes of durum and 513.6 thousand tonnes of other wheat.

4. Canadian Grain Marketing Prospects

As always, the most important factor is competitive C.I.F. prices at Malaysian ports.

Marketing possibilities for Canadian "special crops": Yes, soyabeans and pearl barley already enjoy a good market in this country.

Processing Facilities

Year: 1983

thousands of tonnes

	Number of Companies	Number of Plants	Annual Capacity	Actual Output
Flour (and durum) Mills Compound Feed Mills	5 27	5 28	477	375
Malt Houses Oilseed Crushers	2	2		

II. MALT AND MALTING BARLEY

1. Imports: Total annual malt imports are about 17,000 tonnes.

2. Additional Information

Malt Exports: A small quantity (208 kg.) of malt was exported from Malaysia in 1983.

Trend in beer consumption: Production in Malaysia declined by 19 percent in 1983 after three years of relatively level production at about 118 million litres.