

NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS  
UNDER ARTICLE 18.5 OF THE AGREEMENT

SWITZERLAND

The following communication, dated 28 February 1995, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland.

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Notification under Article 16.5 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 indicating the authorities competent to initiate and conduct investigations and the domestic procedures governing the conduct of such investigations.

The Federal Office for External Economic Affairs, 3003 Berne, is competent to initiate and conduct the investigations referred to in Article 5 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994.

Switzerland is party to the Tokyo Round Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1947. The Swiss Parliament adopted that Agreement in December 1979. Switzerland has no special legislation concerning countervailing measures. In Swiss law, the Tokyo Round Agreement has binding force, having been published in the Systematic Compendium of Federal Law (RS 0.632.223). So far, Switzerland has not had to take any decision concerning anti-dumping duties. Should the occasion arise, the authorities responsible for initiating and conducting an investigation concerning anti-dumping duties would have to comply with the provisions of the Tokyo Round Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1947.