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NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLES 1.4(a) AND 8.2(b)

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The following communication, dated 28 March 1996, has been received from the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office.

With reference to WTO document G/LIC/3 of 7 November 1995, my authorities have asked me to inform the WTO Secretariat that Hong Kong's notifications under the Tokyo Round Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures remain valid, with the following changes:

A. Publications

- (i) The Guide to Import and Export Licensing Requirements has been updated in August 1995. A copy is already submitted to the Secretariat together with our annual questionnaire in September 1995 (G/LIC/N/3/HKG/1).
- (ii) Publications on page 1 of LIC/3/Add.4 (i.e. Gazette and Circulars) are still valid. The Trade Licensing Circular dated 23 October 1981 mentioned on page 4 is obsolete as imports of coffee are no longer under import licensing requirements. This change has been notified in LIC/1/Add.32.
- (iii) "Textiles Importer Registration: Changes in Import Licensing Procedures" notified in LIC/3/Add.25 is not valid now as the scheme is already replaced by Textiles Trader Registration Scheme, details of which are reflected in L/5640/Add.36/Rev.7.

B. Laws and Regulations

- (i) LIC/1/Add.14 - valid
- (ii) LIC/1/Add.30 - valid
- (iii) LIC/1/Add.32 - valid
- (iv) LIC/1/Add.40 - valid; reference should now be made to the "Guide to Import and Export Licensing Requirements, August 1995"
- (v) LIC/1/Add.42 - valid
- (vi) LIC/1/Add.45 - valid

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- (vii) LIC/1/Add.47 - The latest Amendment of the Schedule to the Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations was made on 5 January 1996, a copy of which is annexed.¹
- (viii) LIC/1/Add.49 - valid

¹Available for consultation in the Secretariat (Market Access Division) (English only).