

**Committee on Import Licensing**

**FIFTH BIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION AND OPERATION  
OF THE AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES**

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This working document is circulated by the Secretariat in preparation for the fifth biennial review of the implementation and operation of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, to be conducted at the meeting on 30 September 2004. This document will have to be updated in light of the discussion at that meeting in order to give a full picture of the developments in the Committee during the period covered. Members are invited to communicate to the Secretariat any additional data they wish to have included in this document.

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Article 7.1 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures provides that "the Committee shall review as necessary, but at least once every two years, the implementation and operation of this Agreement, taking into account the objectives thereof, and the rights and obligations contained therein".

The main objectives of the Agreement are those listed in the preamble of the Agreement.

The information contained in this document covers the period from 12 October 2002 to [30 September] 2004.

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## I. COMMITTEE ON IMPORT LICENSING

### A. OFFICERS, MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS

#### 1. Officers:

<u>Chairperson</u> (2003):	Ms. Philippa Davies (Jamaica)
<u>Vice-Chairperson</u> (2003):	Mr. Lucien Mazzega (France)
<u>Chairperson</u> (2004):	Dr. Victoria Campeanu (Romania)
<u>Vice-Chairperson</u> (2004):	Dr. Dayaratna Silva (Sri Lanka)

#### 2. Members (147)<sup>1</sup>:

Albania	Dominica	Kyrgyz Rep.	Philippines
Angola	Dominican Rep.	Latvia	Poland
Antigua & Barbuda	Ecuador	Lesotho	Portugal
Argentina	Egypt	Liechtenstein	Qatar
Armenia	El Salvador	Lithuania	Romania
Australia	Estonia	Luxembourg	Rwanda
Austria	European Communities	Macedonia, Former	St. Kitts & Nevis
Bahrain	Fiji	Yugoslav Rep. of	St. Lucia
Bangladesh	Finland	Macau, China	St. Vincent & Grenadines
Barbados	France	Madagascar	Senegal
Belgium	Gabon	Malawi	Sierra Leone
Belize	Gambia	Malaysia	Singapore
Benin	Georgia	Maldives	Slovak Republic
Bolivia	Germany	Mali	Slovenia
Botswana	Ghana	Malta	Solomon Islands
Brazil	Greece	Mauritania	South Africa
Brunei Darussalam	Grenada	Mauritius	Spain
Bulgaria	Guatemala	Mexico	Sri Lanka
Burkina Faso	Guinea	Moldova	Suriname
Burundi	Guinea Bissau	Mongolia	Swaziland
Cameroon	Guyana	Morocco	Sweden
Canada	Haiti	Mozambique	Switzerland
Central African Rep.	Honduras	Myanmar	Taipei, Chinese
Chad	Hong Kong, China	Namibia	Tanzania
Chile	Hungary	Nepal	Thailand
China	Iceland	Netherlands	Togo
Colombia	India	New Zealand	Trinidad & Tobago
Congo	Indonesia	Nicaragua	Tunisia
Costa Rica	Ireland	Niger	Turkey
Côte d'Ivoire	Israel	Nigeria	Uganda
Croatia	Italy	Norway	United Arab Emirates
Cuba	Jamaica	Oman	United Kingdom
Cyprus	Japan	Pakistan	United States
Czech Rep.	Jordan	Panama	Uruguay
Dem. Rep. of Congo	Kenya	Papua New Guinea	Venezuela
Denmark	Korea	Paraguay	Zambia
Djibouti	Kuwait	Peru	Zimbabwe

<sup>1</sup> Members on [30 September 2004].

3. Observers

Observer Governments (30)<sup>2</sup>

Algeria	Lebanon
Andorra	Russian Federation
Armenia	Samoa
Azerbaijan	Sao Tome & Principe
Bahamas	Saudi Arabia
Belarus	Serbia & Montenegro
Bhutan	Seychelles
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Sudan
Cambodia	Tajikistan
Cape Verde	Tonga
Equatorial Guinea	Ukraine
Ethiopia	Uzbekistan
Holy See	Vanuatu
Kazakhstan	Vietnam
Lao Dem. Rep.	Yemen

Observer Organizations

IMF  
UNCTAD  
World Bank

B. MAIN DEVELOPMENTS IN THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE DURING THE PERIOD COVERED

4. During the reporting period, the Committee held its seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth meetings on 8 May and 2 October 2003, and 5 May and [30 September 2004]. The minutes of these meetings are contained in documents G/LIC/M/17-[20], respectively.

5. During the period covered, the Committee received notifications of legislation and/or publications submitted by [24] Members<sup>3</sup>, replies to the Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures submitted by [35] Members<sup>3</sup> and notifications relating to the institution of import licensing procedures or changes in these procedures submitted by [nine] Members; [carried out the fifth biennial review of the implementation and operation of the Agreement under Article 7.1 on the basis of a factual report prepared by the Secretariat (G/LIC/W/22 and G/LIC/--)]; adopted its annual reports for 2003 [and 2004] to the Council for Trade in Goods in accordance with Article 7.4 of the Agreement (G/L/652 and G/L/--); discussed the matter of the low level of compliance with notification obligations and how this situation could be improved; and conducted the second and third transitional reviews of the implementation of China's commitments in the import licensing area pursuant to Paragraph 18 of its Protocol of Accession<sup>4</sup>. The reports of the Committee to the Council for Trade in Goods on these reviews were circulated in documents G/LIC/11 [and G/LIC/--] (G/LIC/M/18, paragraph 3, [and G/LIC/M/20, paragraph --]).

6. The Chair expressed continuing concern over the failure of many Members to submit the required notifications. The Committee was informed of the steps taken by the Chair and the Secretariat with a view to improving the situation. It was noted that, in spite of numerous reminders

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<sup>2</sup> Observers on [30 September 2004].

<sup>3</sup> The European Communities and its member States counted as one Member.

<sup>4</sup> WT/L/432.

from the Chair and the Secretariat and urging from the Committee, the situation had not improved. As at [30 September 2004], [24] Members had not submitted any notifications under the Agreement; only [88] Members<sup>5</sup> had submitted notifications of laws, regulations and administrative procedures relevant to import licensing under Articles 1.4(a) and 8.2(b), only [26] Members<sup>5</sup> had notified the institution of new licensing procedures or changes in existing procedures under paragraphs 1-4 of Article 5; and a cumulative total of only [83] Members<sup>5</sup> had submitted replies to the Questionnaire under Article 7.3 since the entry into force of the WTO Agreement. Though the Agreement required all Members to provide replies to the Questionnaire on an annual basis, the total notified each year was much less than the Membership of the WTO (11 Members in 1995, 22 in 1996, 25<sup>5</sup> in 1997, 26 in 1998, 20<sup>5</sup> in 1999, 32<sup>5</sup> in 2000, 23<sup>5</sup> in 2001, 41<sup>5</sup> in 2002, 25<sup>5</sup> in 2003 and [13] up to now in 2004). Members who had not yet submitted the required notifications or provided clarifications sought by other Members were urged to do so without any further delay. Members who had technical problems in preparing the notifications were requested to consult the Secretariat in order to assist them in complying with the requirements. Written comments and questions concerning the notifications submitted to the Committee and/or on import licensing procedures maintained by Members which had not been notified to the Committee, as well as responses to these questions and comments provided by Members may be found in documents in the G/LIC/Q series.<sup>6</sup>

## II. NOTIFICATIONS

### A. NOTIFICATIONS OF PUBLICATIONS AND/OR LEGISLATION (ARTICLES 1.4(A) AND/OR 8.2(B))

7. Paragraph 4(a) of Article 1 and paragraphs 3, 4, 5(b), 5(c) and 5(d) of Article 3 require Members to publish certain information "for other Members and traders to know the basis for granting and/or allocating licences", or "in such a manner as to enable governments and traders to become acquainted with them". Article 1.4(a) requires Members to notify to the Committee the sources in which the information concerning import licensing procedures are published, and to make copies of these publications available to the Secretariat.

8. Paragraph 2(a) of Article 8 provides that "each Member shall ensure, not later than the date of entry into force of the WTO Agreement for it, the conformity of its laws, regulations and administrative procedures with the provisions of this Agreement"; paragraph 2(b) states that "each Member shall inform the Committee of any changes in its laws and regulations relevant to this Agreement and in the administration of such laws and regulations".

9. The Committee agreed that in cases where the publications or legislation were not in a WTO official language, Members shall provide, together with such publications or legislation, a summary of the notification in one of the WTO languages. Other Members may ask for a full translation if they so wish, or seek any additional information on a bilateral basis. Any issues that cannot be solved on a bilateral basis may be brought to the attention of the Committee. It was also agreed that the first notification under Article 8.2(b) shall contain the full text of relevant laws and regulations in effect on the entry into force of the WTO Agreement for the Member concerned (G/LIC/M/2 and G/LIC/3).

10. During the period covered, the Committee received notifications of legislation and/or publications pursuant to Articles 1.4(a) and/or 8.2(b) of the Agreement from [24] Members<sup>5</sup>. Since the entry into force of the WTO Agreement, notifications have been received from [88]<sup>5</sup> Members and have been circulated in the G/LIC/N/1/- series. Copies of publications and legislation submitted with these notifications are available for consultation in the Secretariat. The current status of notifications

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<sup>5</sup> The European Communities and its member States counted as one Member.

<sup>6</sup> See Annex IV.

is contained in the table below. Written questions and replies concerning these notifications may be found in documents in the G/LIC/Q series.<sup>7</sup>

Member	Art. 1.4(a) and/or 8.2(b) publications and/or legislation (date of latest communication)	Member	Art. 1.4(a) and/or 8.2(b) publications and/or legislation (date of latest communication)
		Kuwait	Not notified
Albania	Not notified	Kyrgyz Rep.	G/LIC/N/1/KGZ/1 (6.1.00)
Angola	Not notified	Lesotho	Not notified
Antigua & Barbuda	G/LIC/N/1/ATG/1 (8.12.01)	Liechtenstein	G/LIC/N/1/LIE/1-2 (17.10.00)
Argentina	G/LIC/N/1/ARG/1-2 (19.12.97)	Macau, China	G/LIC/N/1/MAC/1 & Add.1-3- MAC/2 (16.1.04)
Armenia	G/LIC/N/1/ARM/1 (29.9.03)	Macedonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of	Not notified
Australia	G/LIC/N/1/AUS/1 & Add.1 (28.4.97)	Madagascar	G/LIC/N/1/MDG/1-2 (31.3.00)
Bahrain	G/LIC/N/1/BHR/1 (27.5.97)	Malawi	G/LIC/N/1/MWI/1 (10.5.99)
Bangladesh	G/LIC/N/1/BGD/1 (31.3.00)	Malaysia	Not notified
Barbados	G/LIC/N/1/BRB/1 (4.10.96)	Maldives	Not notified
Belize	Not notified	Mali	G/LIC/N/1/MLI/1 (23.7.01)
Benin	G/LIC/N/1/BEN/1 (18.12.96)	Mauritania	Not notified
Bolivia	G/LIC/N/1/BOL/1 (29.5.97)	Mauritius	G/LIC/N/1/MUS/1 & Add.1-3 (4.5.98)
Botswana	Not notified	Mexico	Not notified
Brazil	G/LIC/N/1/BRA/1 (24.4.98)	Moldova	G/LIC/N/1/MDA/1 (9.1.02)
Brunei Darussalam	Not notified	Mongolia	Not notified
Bulgaria	G/LIC/N/1/BGR/1 (20.3.97)	Morocco	G/LIC/N/1/MAR/1 & Add.1 (25.3.03)
Burkina Faso	G/LIC/N/1/BFA/1 (8.1.97)	Mozambique	Not notified
Burundi	G/LIC/N/1/BUR/1 (3.4.01)	Myanmar	Not notified
Cameroon	G/LIC/N/1/CMR/1 (13.7.01)	Namibia	G/LIC/N/1/NAM/1 (8.10.02)
Canada	G/LIC/N/1/CAN/1 (29.1.96)	Nepal	Not notified
Central African Rep.	Not notified	New Zealand	G/LIC/N/1/NZL/1 (2.8.96)
Chad	G/LIC/N/1/TCD/1-2 (18.7.00)	Nicaragua	G/LIC/N/1/NIC/1 (18.7.96)
Chile	G/LIC/N/1/CHL/1 (16.7.96)	Niger	G/LIC/N/1/NER/1 (10.12.97)
China	G/LIC/N/1/CHN/1 + Add.1- CHN/3 (1.10.03)	Nigeria	G/LIC/N/1/NGA/1 (16.2.98)
Colombia	G/LIC/N/1/COL/1 & Add.1 (4.12.00)	Norway	G/LIC/N/1/NOR/1-2 (3.11.97)
Congo	Not notified	Oman	G/LIC/N/1/OMN/1 (9.1.01)
Congo, Dem. Rep. of	Not notified	Pakistan	G/LIC/N/1/PAK/1 (6.5.96)
Costa Rica	G/LIC/N/1/CRI/1 (21.11.95)	Panama	G/LIC/N/1/PAN/1-2 (19.10.98)
Côte d'Ivoire	G/LIC/N/1/CIV/1 (10.1.02)	Papua New Guinea	Not notified
Croatia	G/LIC/N/1/HRV/1-2 (3.7.03)	Paraguay	G/LIC/N/1/PRY/1 (21.5.03)
Cuba	G/LIC/N/1/CUB/1 (11.1.96)	Peru	G/LIC/N/1/PER/1 (13.2.96)
Djibouti	Not notified	Philippines	G/LIC/N/1/PHL/1 (6.4.98)
Dominica	G/LIC/N/1/DMA/1 (8.2.01)	Qatar	G/LIC/N/1/QAT/1 (24.3.98)
Dominican Republic	G/LIC/N/1/DOM/1 (28.4.04)	Romania	G/LIC/N/1/ROM/1-2 (1.3.99)
Ecuador	G/LIC/N/1/ECU/1 (25.10.02)	Rwanda	Not notified
Egypt	Not notified	Saint Kitts & Nevis	G/LIC/N/1/KNA/1 (17.7.98)
El Salvador	G/LIC/N/1/SLV/1 (13.1.04)	Saint Lucia	G/LIC/N/1/LCA/1 (14.10.02)
European Communities	G/LIC/N/1/EEC/1/Rev.2 + Add.1-2 & EEC/2 + Add.1-4 (6.1.03)	Saint Vincent & Grenadines	Not notified
Fiji	G/LIC/N/1/FJI/1 (30.7.97)	Senegal	G/LIC/N/1/SEN/1 (14.10.02)
Gabon	G/LIC/N/1/GAB/1-2 (5.3.02)	Sierra Leone	Not notified
Gambia	Not notified	Singapore	G/LIC/N/1/SGP/1-3 (23.2.00)
Georgia	G/LIC/N/1/GEO/1 (22.3.02)	Solomon Islands	Not notified
Ghana	G/LIC/N/1/GHA/1 (15.4.04)	South Africa	Not notified

<sup>7</sup> See Annex IV.

Member	Art. 1.4(a) and/or 8.2(b) publications and/or legislation (date of latest communication)	Member	Art. 1.4(a) and/or 8.2(b) publications and/or legislation (date of latest communication)
Grenada	G/LIC/N/1/GRD/1 (13.3.02)	Sri Lanka	G/LIC/N/1/LKA/1 (5.5.03)
Guatemala	G/LIC/N/1/GTM/1-2 (20.1.00)	Suriname	G/LIC/N/1/SUR/1 (10.12.03)
Guinea, Republic of	Not notified	Swaziland	G/LIC/N/1/SWZ/1 (19.8.96)
Guinea Bissau	Not notified	Switzerland	G/LIC/N/1/CHE/1-2 (21.9.00)
Guyana	G/LIC/N/1/GUY/1 (5.4.02)	Chinese Taipei	G/LIC/N/1/TPKM/1-4 (21.6.04)
Haiti	G/LIC/N/1/HTI/1 (8.10.99)	Tanzania	Not notified
Honduras	G/LIC/N/1/HND/1 (31.10.96)	Thailand	Not notified
Hong Kong, China	G/LIC/N/1/HKG/1-5 (24.12.02)	Togo	G/LIC/N/1/TGO/1 (8.5.03)
Iceland	G/LIC/N/1/ISL/1 (8.1.99)	Trinidad & Tobago	G/LIC/N/1/TTO/1 (28.10.98)
India	G/LIC/N/1/IND/1/Rev.1 + IND/2-6 (11.6.03)	Tunisia	G/LIC/N/1/TUN/1+Add.1 (21.1.99)
Indonesia	G/LIC/N/1/IDN/1 (27.10.98)	Turkey	G/LIC/N/1/TUR/1-4 (22.9.03)
Israel	Not notified	Uganda	G/LIC/N/1/UGA/1 (16.8.96)
Jamaica	G/LIC/N/1/JAM/1 (1.7.96)	United Arab Emirates	G/LIC/N/1/ARE/1 (19.3.97)
Japan	G/LIC/N/1/JPN/1-2/Rev.1 (7.1.97)	United States	G/LIC/N/1/USA/1 & Rev.1- USA/2 (28.4.03)
Jordan	G/LIC/N/1/JOR/1-2 + Add.1 (19.8.03)	Uruguay	G/LIC/N/1/URY/1-3 (17.9.01)
Kenya	G/LIC/N/1/KEN/1 (9.5.03)	Venezuela	G/LIC/N/1/VEN/1 (12.10.02)
Korea	G/LIC/N/1/KOR/1-3 (3.4.98)	Zambia	G/LIC/N/1/ZMB/1-2 (10.2.04)
		Zimbabwe	G/LIC/N/1/ZWE/1-2 (21.9.98)
TOTAL NOTIFIED	[88] Members <sup>8</sup>		

## B. NOTIFICATIONS OF IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES (ARTICLES 7.3 AND 5)

11. Article 2.1 of the Agreement defines automatic import licensing as "import licensing where approval of the application is granted in all cases, and in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 2(a)". Paragraph 2(a) of Article 2 states that "automatic import licensing procedures shall not be administered in such a manner as to have restricting effects on imports subject to automatic licensing. Automatic licensing procedures shall be deemed to have trade-restricting effects unless, *inter alia*: (i) any person, firm or institution which fulfils the legal requirements of the importing Member for engaging in import operations involving products subject to automatic licensing is equally eligible to apply for and to obtain import licences; (ii) applications for licences may be submitted on any working day prior to the customs clearance of the goods; (iii) applications for licences when submitted in appropriate and complete form are approved immediately on receipt, to the extent administratively feasible, but within a maximum of 10 working days".<sup>9</sup> Article 3 defines non-automatic import licensing as "import licensing not falling within the definition contained in paragraph 1 of Article 2".<sup>10</sup>

12. Pursuant to Article 7.3 of the Agreement, Members undertake to complete the annual Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures<sup>11</sup> promptly and in full. At its meeting in October 1995, the Committee established a time-limit of 30 September each year to submit these notifications (G/LIC/M/2 and G/LIC/3).

13. Article 5.1 of the Agreement requires Members which institute licensing procedures or changes in these procedures to notify the Committee of such within 60 days of publication. Pursuant to Article 5.2, the notifications shall include: the list of products subject to licensing procedures;

<sup>8</sup> The European Communities and its member States counted as one Member.

<sup>9</sup> A concordance between the provisions of the Agreement relating to automatic licensing procedures and the Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures is contained in Annex II.

<sup>10</sup> A concordance between the provisions of the Agreement relating to non-automatic licensing procedures and the Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures is contained in Annex III.

<sup>11</sup> The Questionnaire is annexed to document G/LIC/3 and is reproduced in Annex I.

contact point for information on eligibility; administrative body(ies) for submission of applications; date and name of publication where licensing procedures are published; indication of whether the licensing procedure is automatic or non-automatic according to definitions contained in Articles 2 and 3; in the case of automatic licensing procedures, their administrative purpose; in the case of non-automatic licensing procedures, indication of the measure being implemented through the licensing procedure; and expected duration of the licensing procedure if this can be estimated with some probability, and if not, reason why this information cannot be provided. Article 5.4 requires Members to notify the Committee of the publications in which the information required in Article 1.4 will be published.

14. In addition, pursuant to Article 5.5 any interested Member which considers that another Member has not notified the institution of a licensing procedure or changes therein in accordance with the provisions of Articles 5.1-5.3 may bring the matter to the attention of such other Member. If notification is not made promptly thereafter, such Member may itself notify the licensing procedure or changes therein, including all relevant and available information.

15. During the period covered, [36] Members<sup>12</sup> have submitted replies to the Questionnaire pursuant to Article 7.3 of the Agreement and [nine] Members have notified the institution of import licensing procedures or changes in these procedures pursuant to paragraphs 1-4 of Article 5 (circulated in the G/LIC/N/3/- and G/LIC/N/2/- series, respectively). So far, the Committee has not received any notifications under Article 5.5. The status of notifications under Articles 7.3 and 5.1-5.4 since the entry into force of the Agreement is as follows. Written questions and replies concerning these notifications may be found in documents in the G/LIC/Q series<sup>13</sup>.

Member	Article 7.3 – Annual Replies to Questionnaire (date of latest communication)	Article 5.1-5.4 – Ad hoc New import licensing procedures or changes (date of latest communication)
Albania	G/LIC/N/3/ALB/1 (28.1.02)	G/LIC/N/2/ALB/1 (20.2.02)
Angola	Not notified	
Antigua & Barbuda	G/LIC/N/3/ATG/1-2 (18.12.01)	
Argentina	G/LIC/N/3/ARG/1-ARG/2 + Add.1 (8.2.02)	G/LIC/N/2/ARG/1-7 (13.8.04)
Armenia	G/LIC/N/3/ARM/1 + Add.1 (13.4.04)	
Australia	G/LIC/N/3/AUS/1 + Rev.1-AUS/2 (24.5.02)	G/LIC/N/2/AUS/1 (28.5.04)
Bahrain	G/LIC/N/3/BHR/1 (5.9.00)	
Bangladesh	G/LIC/N/3/BGD/1 (31.3.00)	
Barbados	G/LIC/N/3/BRB/1-2 (8.5.02)	
Belize	Not notified	
Benin	Not notified	
Bolivia	G/LIC/N/3/BOL/1-3 (20.6.00)	
Botswana	Not notified	
Brazil	G/LIC/N/3/BRA/1-3 (23.9.03)	G/LIC/N/2/BRA/1 (24.4.98)
Brunei Darussalam	G/LIC/N/3/BRN/1 (4.3.97)	
Bulgaria	G/LIC/N/3/BGR/1-2 (8.5.02)	
Burkina Faso	G/LIC/N/3/BFA/1 + Add.1 (24.11.00)	
Burundi	G/LIC/N/3/BUR/1-2 (12.10.01)	
Cameroon	Not notified	
Canada	G/LIC/N/3/CAN/1-4 + Corr:1 (2.1.02)	
Central African Rep.	Not notified	
Chad	G/LIC/N/3/TCD/1-2 (13.6.01)	
Chile	G/LIC/N/3/CHL/1 & Add.1-2 (3.2.99)	
China	G/LIC/N/3/CHN/1-2 (1.10.03)	

<sup>12</sup> The European Communities and its member States counted as one Member.

<sup>13</sup> See Annex IV.



Member	Article 7.3 – Annual Replies to Questionnaire (date of latest communication)	Article 5.1-5.4 – Ad hoc New import licensing procedures or changes (date of latest communication)
Colombia	G/LIC/N/3/COL/1 & Add.1-2 – COL/2 (29.7.04)	
Congo	Not notified	
Congo, Dem. Rep.	Not notified	
Costa Rica	G/LIC/N/3/CRI/1-3 (15.12.00)	
Côte d'Ivoire	G/LIC/N/3/CIV/1 (10.1.02)	
Croatia	G/LIC/N/3/HRV/1-2 (3.7.03)	
Cuba	G/LIC/N/3/CUB/1-2 + Add.1 (30.9.04)	
Djibouti	Not notified	
Dominica	G/LIC/N/3/DMA/1 (8.2.01)	
Dominican Rep.	G/LIC/N/3/DOM/1-2 (28.4.04)	
Ecuador	G/LIC/N/3/ECU/1 + Add.1-ECU/2 (25.10.02)	
Egypt	Not notified	
El Salvador	Not notified	
European Communities	G/LIC/N/3/EEC/1 + Add.1-EEC/2 + Add.1-27-EEC/3 + Add.1-26-EEC/4 + Add.1-EEC/6 + Add.1 + EEC/6/Corr.1 (30.9.03)	G/LIC/N/2/EEC/1-2 (4.7.97)
Fiji	G/LIC/N/3/FJI/1 (1.4.97)	
Gabon	Not notified	
Gambia	G/LIC/N/3/GMB/1 (31.10.97)	
Georgia	G/LIC/N/3/GEO/1 (3.7.01)	
Ghana	G/LIC/N/3/GHA/1-3 (15.4.04)	
Grenada	Not notified	
Guatemala	G/LIC/N/3/GTM/1-2 (3.9.04)	
Guinea, Rep. of	Not notified	
Guinea Bissau	Not notified	
Guyana	G/LIC/N/3/GUY/1-2 (22.10.03)	
Haiti	G/LIC/N/3/HTI/1-2 (27.4.00)	
Honduras	Not notified	
Hong Kong, China	G/LIC/N/3/HKG/1 + Rev.1-2-HKG/2-3 + Corr.1-HKG/4-7 (29.9.03)	G/LIC/N/2/HKG/1-2 (27.1.98)
Iceland	G/LIC/N/3/ISL/1-2 (5.6.00)	
India	G/LIC/N/3/IND/1-6 (9.12.03)	G/LIC/N/2/IND/1-6 (11.6.03)
Indonesia	G/LIC/N/3/IDN/1-2 (12.5.03)	G/LIC/N/2/IDN/1 (14.4.03)
Israel	Not notified	
Jamaica	G/LIC/N/3/JAM/1+Add.1-2 (18.9.02)	G/LIC/N/2/JAM/1 (23.9.03)
Japan	G/LIC/N/3/JPN/1 + Corr.1-JPN/3 (28.1.04)	G/LIC/N/2/JPN/1-3 (12.4.01)
Jordan	G/LIC/N/3/JOR/1 (2.10.00)	G/LIC/N/2/JOR/1 (1.12.00)
Kenya	G/LIC/N/3/KEN/1-2 + Add.1 (9.5.03)	
Korea	G/LIC/N/3/KOR/1-3 (16.5.02)	
Kuwait	Not notified	
Kyrgyz Rep.	G/LIC/N/3/KGZ/1 (11.4.00)	
Lesotho	Not notified	
Liechtenstein	G/LIC/N/3/LIE/1+Add.1-LIE/4 + Add.1 (25.2.03)	G/LIC/N/2/LIE/1-2 (17.10.00)
Macau, China	G/LIC/N/3/MAC/1-6 (23.2.04)	
Macedonia, Former Yugoslav Rep. of	Not notified	
Madagascar	G/LIC/N/3/MDG/1 (23.8.02)	
Malawi	G/LIC/N/3/MWI/1+ Add.1 (11.10.02)	
Malaysia	G/LIC/N/3/MYS/1 (4.12.97)	G/LIC/N/2/MYS/1-2 (21.7.99)
Maldives	G/LIC/N/3/MDV/1 (21.3.02)	
Mali	G/LIC/N/3/MLI/1-2 (23.7.01)	
Mauritania	Not notified	
Mauritius	G/LIC/N/3/MUS/1-2 + Corr.1 (24.5.02)	
Mexico	Not notified	G/LIC/N/2/MEX/1 (16.10.98)

Member	Article 7.3 – Annual Replies to Questionnaire (date of latest communication)	Article 5.1-5.4 – Ad hoc New import licensing procedures or changes (date of latest communication)
Moldova	G/LIC/N/3/MDA/1 (30.1.02)	
Mongolia	G/LIC/N/3/MNG/1 (15.5.03)	
Morocco	G/LIC/N/3/MAR/1-2 + Add.1-MAR/3 (25.3.03)	
Mozambique	Not notified	
Myanmar	Not notified	
Namibia	G/LIC/N/3/NAM/1-4 (8.10.02)	
Nepal	Not notified	
New Zealand	G/LIC/N/3/NZL/1 + Add.1 (24.3.98)	
Nicaragua	Not notified	
Niger	Not notified	
Nigeria	G/LIC/N/3/NGA/1-2 (16.2.98)	G/LIC/N/2/NGA/1-2 (16.2.98)
Norway	G/LIC/N/3/NOR/1 + Corr.1 & NOR/2 + Add.1-2 (7.4.00)	
Oman	G/LIC/N/3/OMN/1 + Add.1 (9.4.03)	
Pakistan	Not notified	G/LIC/N/2/PAK/1 (6.5.96)
Panama	G/LIC/N/3/PAN/1-2 (2.3.04)	G/LIC/N/2/PAN/1 (21.7.98)
Papua New Guinea	Not notified	G/LIC/N/2/PNG/1 (6.2.98)
Paraguay	Not notified	
Peru	G/LIC/N/3/PER/1-2 + Add.1 (4.10.99)	
Philippines	G/LIC/N/3/PHL/1-4 + Add.1 (29.9.03)	
Qatar	G/LIC/N/3/QAT/1 (24.3.98)	
Romania	G/LIC/N/3/ROM/1-2 + Add.1 (12.12.00)	G/LIC/N/2/ROM/1-3 (4.2.02)
Rwanda	Not notified	
Saint Kitts & Nevis	Not notified	
Saint Lucia	G/LIC/N/3/LCA/1-2 (30.8.04)	G/LIC/N/2/LCA/1-2 (14.10.02)
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	Not notified	
Senegal	G/LIC/N/3/SEN/1-2 (14.10.02)	
Sierra Leone	Not notified	
Singapore	G/LIC/N/3/SGP/1-4 (5.11.03)	G/LIC/N/2/SGP/1-2 (23.2.00)
Solomon Islands	Not notified	
South Africa	G/LIC/N/3/ZAF/1-4 (11.9.02)	G/LIC/N/2/ZAF/1 (9.7.97)
Sri Lanka	G/LIC/N/3/LKA/1 (5.5.03)	
Suriname	Not notified	
Swaziland	Not notified	
Switzerland	G/LIC/N/3/CHE/1-4 + Add.1 (21.2.03)	G/LIC/N/2/CHE/1-2 (21.9.00)
Chinese Taipei	G/LIC/N/3/TPKM/1/Rev.1- TPKM/2 (21.6.04)	G/LIC/N/2/TPKM/1-2 (21.10.03)
Tanzania	Not notified	
Thailand	Not notified	
Togo	G/LIC/N/3/TGO/1 (8.5.03)	
Trinidad & Tobago	G/LIC/N/3/TTO/1-4 (30.7.04)	
Tunisia	G/LIC/N/3/TUN/1-3 + Add.1-3 (21.10.02)	
Turkey	G/LIC/N/3/TUR/1-2 + Corr.1-TUR/4 + Corr.1-TUR/5 (22.9.03)	
Uganda	G/LIC/N/3/UGA/1 + Add.1 (8.11.00)	
United Arab Emirates	G/LIC/N/3/ARE/1 (11.4..00)	
United States	G/LIC/N/3/USA/1-3 (6.11.00)	G/LIC/N/2/USA/1 (28.4.03)
Uruguay	G/LIC/N/3/URY/1+Add.1-URY/2/Rev.1 (21.10.02)	
Venezuela	G/LIC/N/3/VEN/1 + Corr.1-2 (8.11.02)	G/LIC/N/2/VEN/1-5 (16.5.03)
Zambia	G/LIC/N/3/ZMB/1-2 (10.2.04)	
Zimbabwe	G/LIC/N/3/ZWE/1/Add.1-2 (15.2.01)	
TOTAL NOTIFIED	[83] Members <sup>14</sup>	[26] Members <sup>14</sup> ([70] notifications)

<sup>14</sup> The European Communities and its member States counted as one Member.

### III. CONSULTATION AND DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

16. During the reporting period, the Philippines requested consultations with Australia pursuant to, *inter alia*, Article 6 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, concerning certain measures affecting the importation of fresh fruits and vegetables, including bananas, which were alleged to be inconsistent with, *inter alia*, Articles 3.2 and 3.5(f) of the Agreement. Australia accepted the requests from the European Communities and Thailand to join the consultations. Following consultations between the two parties which had failed to settle the dispute, the Philippines requested the establishment of a panel to examine the matter (WT/DS270, G/LIC/D/34).

17. The European Communities requested consultations with India pursuant to, *inter alia*, Article 6 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, concerning import restrictions maintained by India under its Export and Import Policy, 2002-2007. The European Communities considered that these import restrictions might constitute an infringement of, *inter alia*, Articles 1, 2 and 3 of the Agreement. India accepted the request from the United States to join the consultations (WT/DS279, G/LIC/D/36).

18. Following a satisfactory solution reached at the consultations held with Mexico, Chile withdrew its request for consultations concerning a series of Mexican laws and regulations which were alleged to be inconsistent with Articles 1, 3 and 5 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures and constituting unnecessary barriers to imports of Chilean matches (WT/DS232, G/LIC/D/32).

19. Nicaragua requested consultations with Mexico pursuant to, *inter alia*, Article 6 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, concerning certain measures preventing the importation of black beans from Nicaragua which were alleged to be inconsistent with, *inter alia*, Articles 1.2, 1.3, 1.4(a) and 2.2(a) of the Agreement. Its complaints having been adequately addressed by the Mexican authorities, the request for consultations was subsequently withdrawn by Nicaragua (WT/DS284, G/LIC/D/37).

20. Ecuador requested consultations with Turkey pursuant to, *inter alia*, Article 6 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures concerning certain import procedures applicable in Turkey to fresh fruits and, in particular, bananas, which were alleged to be inconsistent with, *inter alia*, paragraphs 2, 3, 5 and 6 of Article 1 of the Agreement. Following consultations between the two parties which had failed to settle the dispute, a panel was established to examine the matter. Ecuador subsequently withdrew the complaint, having reached a mutually satisfactory solution in respect of the dispute (WT/DS237, G/LIC/D/33).

21. The United States requested consultations with Venezuela pursuant to, *inter alia*, Article 6 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, concerning certain import licensing systems and practices in Venezuela which were alleged to restrict agricultural imports from the United States. Venezuela accepted the requests from Argentina, Canada, Chile, Colombia, the European Communities and New Zealand to join the consultations (WT/DS275, G/LIC/D/35).

## ANNEX I

### **QUESTIONNAIRE ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES**

The present questionnaire is designed to elicit information on import licensing and similar administrative procedures<sup>1</sup> maintained in and applied to the customs territories to which GATT 1994 applies. If different procedures or methods of licensing or similar administrative procedures are applied to different categories of products, to different countries of supply or to different modes of importation, they should be separately described in respect of each question as relevant.

#### **Outline of systems**

1. Give a brief description of each licensing system as a whole and, with respect to each, reply to the following questions as relevant, placing all of the material with respect to a given system in sequence together, and using cross references as appropriate when elements which have already been described are also present in another system.

#### **Purposes and coverage of licensing**

2. Identify each licensing system maintained and state what products, appropriately grouped, are covered.

3. The system applies to goods originating in and coming from which countries?

4. Is the licensing intended to restrict the quantity or value of imports, and if not, what are its purposes? Have alternative methods of accomplishing the purposes been considered and if so which? Why have they not been adopted?

5. Cite the law, regulation and/or administrative order under which the licensing is maintained. Is the licensing statutorily required? Does the legislation leave designation of products to be subjected to licensing to administrative discretion? Is it possible for the government (or the executive branch) to abolish the system without legislative approval?

#### **Procedures**

6. For products under restriction as to the quantity or value of imports (whether applicable globally or to a limited number of countries or whether established bilaterally or unilaterally):

I. Is information published, and where, concerning allocation of quotas and formalities of filing applications for licences? If not, how is it brought to the attention of possible importers? Of governments and export promotion bodies of exporting countries and their trade representatives? Is the overall amount published? The amount allocated to goods from each country? The maximum amount allocated to each importer? How to request any exceptions or derogations from the licensing requirement?

II. How is the size of the quotas determined: on a yearly, six-monthly or quarterly basis? Are there cases where the size of quota is determined on a yearly basis but licences are issued for

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<sup>1</sup> Similar procedures are understood to include technical visas, surveillance systems, minimum price arrangements, and other administrative reviews effected as a prior condition for entry of imports.

imports on a six-monthly or quarterly basis? In the latter case, is it necessary for importers to apply for fresh licence on a six-monthly or quarterly basis?

- III. Are licences allotted for certain goods partly or only to domestic producers of like goods? What steps are taken to ensure that licences allocated are actually used for imports? Are unused allocations added to quotas for a succeeding period? Are the names of importers to whom licences have been allocated made known to governments and export promotion bodies of exporting countries upon request? If not, for what reason? (Indicate products to which replies relate.)
  - IV. From the time of announcing the opening of quotas, as indicated in I above, what is the period of time allowed for the submission of applications for licences?
  - V. What are the minimum and maximum lengths of time for processing applications?
  - VI. How much time remains, at a minimum, between the granting of licences and the date of opening of the period of importation?
  - VII. Is consideration of licence applications effected by a single administrative organ? Or must the application be passed on to other organs for visa, note or approval? If so, which? Does the importer have to approach more than one administrative organ?
  - VIII. If the demand for licences cannot be fully satisfied, on what basis is the allocation to applicants made? First come, first served? Past performance? Is there a maximum amount to be allocated per applicant and, if so, on what basis is it determined? What provision is made for new importers? Are applications examined simultaneously or on receipt?
  - IX. In the case of bilateral quotas or export restraint arrangements where export permits are issued by exporting countries, are import licences also required? If so, are licences issued automatically?
  - X. In cases where imports are allowed on the basis of export permits only, how is the importing country informed of the effect given by the exporting countries to the understanding between the two countries?
  - XI. Are there products for which licences are issued on condition that goods should be exported and not sold in the domestic market?
7. Where there is no quantitative limit on importation of a product or on imports from a particular country:
- (a) How far in advance of importation must application for a licence be made? Can licences be obtained within a shorter time-limit or for goods arriving at the port without a licence (for example, owing to inadvertency)?
  - (b) Can a licence be granted immediately on request?
  - (c) Are there any limitations as to the period of the year during which application for licence and/or importation may be made? If so, explain.
  - (d) Is consideration of licence applications effected by a single administrative organ? Or must the application be passed on to other organs for visa, note or approval? If so, which? Does the importer have to approach more than one administrative organ?

8. Under what circumstances may an application for a licence be refused other than failure to meet the ordinary criteria? Are the reasons for any refusal given to the applicant? Have applicants a right of appeal in the event of refusal to issue a licence and, if so, to what bodies and under what procedures?

**Eligibility of importers to apply for licence**

9. Are all persons, firms and institutions eligible to apply for licences:

- (a) under restrictive licensing systems?
- (b) under non-restrictive systems?

If not, is there a system of registration of persons or firms permitted to engage in importation? What persons or firms are eligible? Is there a registration fee? Is there a published list of authorized importers?

**Documentational and other requirements for application for licence**

10. What information is required in applications? Submit a sample form. What documents is the importer required to supply with the application?

11. What documents are required upon actual importation?

12. Is there any licensing fee or administrative charge? If so, what is the amount of the fee or charge?

13. Is there any deposit or advance payment requirement associated with the issue of licences? If so, state the amount or rate, whether it is refundable, the period of retention and the purpose of the requirement.

**Conditions of licensing**

14. What is the period of validity of a licence? Can the validity of a licence be extended? How?

15. Is there any penalty for the non-utilization of a licence or a portion of a licence?

16. Are licences transferable between importers? If so, are any limitations or conditions attached to such transfer?

17. Are any other conditions attached to the issue of a licence: (a) for products subject to quantitative restriction? (b) for products not subject to quantitative restriction?

**Other procedural requirements**

18. Are there any other administrative procedures, apart from import licensing and similar administrative procedures, required prior to importation?

19. Is foreign exchange automatically provided by the banking authorities for goods to be imported? Is a licence required as a condition to obtaining foreign exchange? Is foreign exchange always available to cover licences issued? What formalities must be fulfilled for obtaining the foreign exchange?

## ANNEX II

Generally, information concerning the administration of automatic import licensing procedures can be found under the following headings of the replies to the Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures:

	<u>Relevant Article in Agreement</u>	<u>Relevant Question in Questionnaire</u>
1. Purposes of maintaining automatic import licensing procedures	Article 2.2(b)	No. 4
2. Product coverage	Article 1.4(a)	No. 2
3. Eligibility of importers to apply for automatic licences	Articles 2.2(a)(i) and 1.4(a)	No. 9(b)
4. Period of submission and processing of applications	Articles 2.2(a)(ii) and 2.2(a)(iii)	Nos. 7(a), 7(b) and 7(c)
5. Administrative body to be approached	Article 1.6	No. 7(d)
6. Refusal of applications	Article 1.7	No. 8
7. Application forms and other documents required on application	Article 1.5	No. 10
8. Availability of foreign exchange for imports	Article 1.9	No. 19

### ANNEX III

Generally, information concerning the administration of non-automatic import licensing procedures can be found under the following headings of the replies to the Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures:

	<u>Relevant Article in Agreement</u>	<u>Relevant Question in Questionnaire</u>
1. Purpose	Articles 3.1 and 3.3	No. 4
2. Product coverage under each non-automatic licensing system	Article 1.4(a)	No. 2
3. Distribution of licences among supplying countries	Articles 3.5(a)(iii) and 3.5(c)	No.3
4. Size of quotas	Articles 3.5(h), 3.5(i) and 3.5(l)	Nos. 6(I), 6(II) and 6(III)
5. Eligibility of importers to apply for non-automatic licences	Article 3.5(e)	No. 9(a)
6. Allocation of licences to applicants	Article 3.5(j)	Nos. 6(III) and 6(VIII)
7. Period of processing of applications	Article 3.5(f)	Nos. 6(V) and 6(VIII)
8. Period of licence validity	Article 3.5(g)	Nos. 6(VI) and 14
9. Application forms and other documents required on application	Article 1.5	No. 10
10. Administrative body to be approached	Article 1.6	No. 6(VII)
11. Refusal of applications	Article 1.7	No. 8
12. Availability of foreign exchange for imports	Article 1.9	No. 19



# ANNEX IV

## Questions and replies received under the review procedures agreed by the Committee<sup>15</sup>

Questions		Replies	
G/LIC/Q/ATG/1 (23.10.01)	Questions from US to Antigua & Barbuda		
G/LIC/Q/ARE/1 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to UAE	Pending clarifications sought from UAE in May 2004 the replies are not yet issued	
G/LIC/Q/ARG/1 (5.5.04)	Questions from US to Argentina	G/LIC/Q/ARG/2 (14.9.04)	Reply to US
G/LIC/Q/BGD/1 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to Bangladesh	G/LIC/Q/BGD/2 (17.7.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/BGR/1 (22.4.97)	Questions from New Zealand to Bulgaria		
G/LIC/Q/BHR/1 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to Bahrain	Pending clarifications sought from Bahrain in May 2004 the replies are not yet issued	
G/LIC/Q/BOL/1 (25.10.00)	Question from US to Bolivia	G/LIC/Q/BOL/2 (13.3.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/BRA/1 (2.10.03)	Questions from US to Brazil	G/LIC/Q/BRA/2 (5.5.04)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/BRB/1 (18.3.96)	Questions from Australia to Barbados		
G/LIC/Q/BRB/2 (8.3.96)	Questions from US to Barbados		
G/LIC/Q/CAN/1 (18.3.96)	Questions from Australia to Canada		
G/LIC/Q/CAN/2 (11.3.96)	Questions from EC to Canada		
G/LIC/Q/CAN/3 (8.3.96)	Questions from US to Canada		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/1 (6.8.02)	Comments & questions from EC to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/2 (26.8.02)	Questions from US to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/3 (27.8.02)	Questions from Japan to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/4 (8.5.03)	Questions from US to China	G/LIC/Q/CHN/10 (4.5.04)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/CHN/5 (14.8.03)	Questions from EC to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/6 (1.9.03)	Questions from Japan to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/7 (19.9.03)	Questions from Chinese Taipei to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/8 (25.9.03)	Questions from US to China	G/LIC/Q/CHN/10 (4.5.04)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/CHN/9 (25.9.03)	Question from US to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/11 (3.9.04)	Comments and questions from Japan to China		
G/LIC/Q/CHN/12 (8.9.04)	Questions from US to China		
G/LIC/Q/CRI/1 (11.3.96)	Question from EC to Costa Rica		
G/LIC/Q/CRI/2 (18.3.96)	Question from Australia to Costa Rica		
G/LIC/Q/CRI/3 (8.3.96)	Questions from US to Costa Rica		
G/LIC/Q/CRI/4/Rev.1 (15.5.02)	Questions from US to Costa Rica	G/LIC/M/16, paragraph 1.2	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/DMA/1(10.5.01)	Questions from US to Dominica	G/LIC/Q/DMA/2 (3.6.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/ECU/1 (8.3.96)	Questions from US to Ecuador	G/LIC/Q/ECU/2 (27.9.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/EEC/1 (15.5.02)	Question from US to EC	G/LIC/Q/EEC/2 (8.11.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/GHA/1(23.10.01)	Questions from US to Ghana		
G/LIC/Q/HTI/1 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to Haiti	G/LIC/Q/HTI/2 (9.4.03)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/IDN/1 (8.5.03)	Questions from US to Indonesia	G/LIC/Q/IDN/2 + Add.1 (29.9.03, 7.10.03)	Replies to US

<sup>15</sup> See G/LIC/4 for the Understanding reached by the Committee on Procedures for the Review of Notifications.

Questions		Replies	
G/LIC/Q/IDN/3 (2.10.03)	Questions from US to Indonesia	G/LIC/Q/IDN/5 (5.5.04)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/IDN/4 (21.10.03)	Questions from Australia to Indonesia	G/LIC/Q/IDN/6 + Add.1 (5.5.04, 1.6.04)	Replies to Australia
G/LIC/Q/IND/1	Questions from Australia to India	G/LIC/Q/IND/1 (5.8.96)	Replies to Australia
G/LIC/Q/IND/2	Questions from EC to India	G/LIC/Q/IND/2 (5.8.96)	Replies to EC
G/LIC/Q/IND/3	Questions from US to India	G/LIC/Q/IND/3 (5.8.96)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/IND/4 (24.4.98)	Questions from Japan to India		
G/LIC/Q/IND/5	Questions from Canada to India	G/LIC/Q/IND/5 (30.3.01)	Replies to Canada
G/LIC/Q/IND/6 (10.5.01)	Questions from US to India	G/LIC/Q/IND/7 (30.6.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/IND/8 (5.5.04)	Questions from US to India	G/LIC/Q/IND/9 (15.6.04)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/ISL/1 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to Iceland	G/LIC/Q/ISL/2 (26.6.01)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/JAM/1 (5.5.04)	Questions from US to Jamaica		
G/LIC/Q/JPN/1 (22.4.97)	Questions from New Zealand to Japan		
G/LIC/Q/JOR/1(10.5.01)	Questions from US to Jordan	G/LIC/Q/JOR/2 (14.5.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/KOR/1 (8.4.97)	Questions from Japan to Korea	G/LIC/Q/KOR/3 (8.10.97)	Replies to Japan
G/LIC/Q/KOR/2 (22.4.97)	Questions from New Zealand to Korea	G/LIC/Q/KOR/4 (7.10.97)	Replies to New Zealand
G/LIC/Q/MDG/1 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to Madagascar		
G/LIC/Q/MLT/1	Questions from Australia to Malta	G/LIC/Q/MLT/1 (31.5.96)	Replies to Australia
G/LIC/Q/MLT/2 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to Malta	G/LIC/Q/MLT/3 (6.11.00)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/MUS/1	Questions from Australia to Mauritius	G/LIC/Q/MUS/1 (17.7.96)	Replies to Australia
G/LIC/Q/MUS/2	Questions from US to Mauritius	G/LIC/Q/MUS/2 (17.7.96)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/MYS/1(19.10.98)	Questions from US to Malaysia	G/LIC/Q/MYS/2 (5.1.00)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/NOR/1	Question from EC to Norway	G/LIC/Q/NOR/1 (8.7.96)	Reply to EC
G/LIC/Q/NOR/2	Questions from US to Norway	G/LIC/Q/NOR/2 (9.7.96)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/OMN/1 (10.5.01)	Questions from US to Oman		
G/LIC/Q/PHL/1 (17.4.00)	Questions from Canada to Philippines		
G/LIC/Q/POL/1 (10.5.01)	Questions from US to Poland		
G/LIC/Q/ROM/1(15.5.02)	Questions from US to Romania	G/LIC/Q/ROM/2 (29.5.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/TCD/1 (25.10.00)	Questions from US to Chad		
G/LIC/Q/TUR/1 (15.5.02)	Questions from US to Turkey	G/LIC/Q/TUR/2 (8.10.03)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/URY/1 (23.10.01)	Question from US to Uruguay	G/LIC/Q/URY/2 (22.10.02)	Replies to US
G/LIC/Q/VEN/1	Questions from Uruguay to Venezuela	G/LIC/Q/VEN/1 (18.10.00)	Replies to Uruguay
G/LIC/Q/VEN/2 (10.5.01)	Questions from US to Venezuela		
G/LIC/Q/VEN/3(15.5.02)	Questions from US to Venezuela	G/LIC/Q/VEN/4 (8.5.03)	Replies to US