

**NOTIFICATION OF REPLIES TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE ON IMPORT  
LICENSING PROCEDURES FROM INDONESIA<sup>1</sup>**

**Questions from AUSTRALIA to INDONESIA<sup>2</sup>**

The following communication, dated 21 October 2003, has been received from the delegation of Australia.

Indonesia's response in document G/LIC/N/3/IDN/2 to the Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures indicates that non-automatic import licensing requirements are applied to a number of products, including textiles, sugar, iron and steel. The stated purposes of such requirements include: safeguarding public health; safeguarding security; ensuring public safety; protecting public morals; protecting the environment; and fulfilling obligations under international agreements. It is, however, unclear how restrictions applied to imports of textiles, sugar, iron or steel could reasonably further such objectives. Given that such restrictions are maintained by means of non-automatic import licensing, it is essential that any licensing procedures also comply with the provisions of Paragraph 2 of Article 3 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures. To clarify fully the issues that Indonesia has placed before us, we need to better understand these restrictions.

Accordingly, we request that Indonesia provide further information on these restrictions including, in relation to each product, the purpose, scope and duration of the measures concerned, the administering authority and their legislative basis.

We also ask whether these restrictions have been previously notified to the Committee.

<sup>1</sup> G/LIC/N/3/IDN/2.

<sup>2</sup> See Understanding on Procedures for the Review of Notifications (G/LIC/4).