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REPLIES TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES BY INDIA¹

Reply of INDIA to the question from the UNITED STATES²

The following communication, dated 1 May 2007, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of India.

Questionnaire Replies Regarding Policy for Import of Re-manufactured Goods

Question:

According to the second question of the Ouestionnaire, Members were requested to identify each licensing system maintained and to indicate what products, appropriately grouped, were covered. From India's reply her delegation had understood that India's government regulated imports according to measures listed in the ITC (HS) Classification of Exports and Imports Items 2004-2009, the Foreign Trade Policy 2004-2009, and the Handbook of Import-Export Procedures. Her delegation requested India to update its response to the Questionnaire to include identification of specific products subject to import restrictions.

Her delegation also requested India to provide the corresponding replies to the rest of the Questionnaire for each of the products. In particular, the US was interested in knowing if remanufactured goods were subject to import licensing requirements and, if so, to describe in detail the import licensing procedures.

Reply:

Items subject to import licence under the policy are contained in the publication 'ITC (HS) Classification of Export and Import Items 2004-2009'. A copy of the list of such items along with tariff lines as on 11.07.2006 is attached.³

Remanufactured goods are not defined as such in the Export Import Policy. Import of remanufactured goods is restricted. The procedure of filing an application for import of restricted items including remanufactured goods is explained in detail in the Handbook of Procedures (Vol. I) 2004-09. Any application for import of a restricted item is considered on merits.

If the US has any further clarification to seek, India would be willing to provide the same.

¹ G/LIC/N/3/IND/8.

² See paragraph 2.12 of document G/LIC/M/24, dated 20 December 2006 and Understanding on Procedures for the Review of Notifications (G/LIC/4).

³ A copy of the list of items subject to import licence is available at the WTO Secretariat (Market Access Division) (English only).