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Committee on Rules of Origin

NOTIFICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 5 AND PARAGRAPH 4 OF ANNEX II OF THE AGREEMENT ON RULES OF ORIGIN

A. <u>Non-preferential rules of origin</u>

- 1. Article 5.1 of the Agreement on Rules of Origin envisages that each Member shall provide to the Secretariat, within 90 days after the date of entry into force of the WTO Agreement for it, its rules of origin, judicial decisions and administrative rulings of general application relating to rules of origin in effect on that date. If by inadvertence a rule of origin has not been provided, the Member concerned shall provide it immediately after this fact becomes known. Lists of information received and available within the Secretariat shall be circulated to the Members by the Secretariat.
- 2. Article 5.2 of the Agreement on Rules of Origin provides that during the period referred to in Article 2, Members introducing modifications, other than *de minimis* modifications, to their rules of origin or introducing new rules of origin, which, for the purpose of this Article, shall include any rule of origin referred to in paragraph 1 and not provided to the Secretariat, shall publish a notice to that effect at least 60 days before the entry into force of the modified or new rule in such a manner as to enable interested parties to become acquainted with the intention to modify a rule of origin or to introduce a new rule of origin, unless exceptional circumstances arise or threaten to arise for a Member. In these exceptional cases, the Member shall publish the modified or new rule as soon as possible.
- 3. Previous notifications received are listed in the G/RO/N/- series. Further notifications have been received as follows:1

ARGENTINA

(Notification in Spanish)

<u>Resolution 381/96 of the Ministry of the Economy, Works and Public Services</u> on "Clearance Procedures for Certain Transactions Concerning Definitive Import for Consumption (certificates of origin)".

INDONESIA

(Notification in English)

Indonesia has no judicial decisions or administrative rulings of general application relating to non-preferential rules of origin.

The notifications are available for consultation in the Secretariat (Market Access Division).

PAKISTAN

(Notification in English)

Pakistan has no rules of origin for MFN treatment.

B. Preferential rules of origin

- 1. Paragraph 4 of Annex II of the Agreement on Rules of Origin envisages that Members shall provide to the Secretariat promptly their preferential rules of origin, including a listing of the preferential arrangements to which they apply, judicial decisions, and administrative rulings of general application relating to their preferential rules of origin in effect on the date of entry into force of the WTO Agreement for the Member concerned. Members shall provide any modifications to their preferential rules of origin or new preferential rules of origin as soon as possible to the Secretariat. Lists of information received and available within the Secretariat shall be circulated to Members by the Secretariat.
- 2. Previous notifications received are listed in the G/RO/N/- series. Further notifications have been received as follows:²

ARGENTINA

(Notification in Spanish)

Resolution 381/96 of the Ministry of the Economy, Works and Public Services on "Clearance Procedures for Certain Transactions Concerning Definitive Import for Consumption (certificates of origin)".

CANADA

(Notification in French and English)

Regulations implementing the Canada-Israel Free Trade Agreement on Rules of Origin.

PAKISTAN

(Notification in English)

1. Protocol relating to Trade Negotiations among Developing Countries

Notification on Rules of Origin, 1973.

2. Global System of Trade Preferences (GSTP)

Rules of Origin of the GSTP.

3. <u>SAARC Preferential Trading Arrangements (SAPTA)</u>

Rules of Origin of the SAPTA. (Rules of Origin of SAPTA and SRO number 1079(1)/95 dated 6 November 1995).

²The notifications are available for consultation in the Secretariat (Market Access Division).

4. <u>Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)</u>

Rules of Origin of the ECO. (SRO number 510(1)/94 dated 9 June 1994).

5. <u>Preferential Trading Arrangement with Brazil, Korea, Spain, Turkey, Egypt, Yugoslavia, Tunisia, etc.</u>

(SRO number 491(1)/88 dated 26 June 1988).

6. <u>Preferential Trading Arrangement with Iran, Afghanistan, China and Nepal by land</u>
(SRO number 492(1)/88 dated 26 June 1988).