

**IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 66.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT:
INFORMATION FROM DEVELOPED COUNTRY MEMBERS**

Addendum

CZECH REPUBLIC

The present document reproduces the information on the Czech Republic's implementation of Article 66.2 of the TRIPS Agreement, which has been received from the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic by means of a communication dated 30 January 2003.

Pursuant to paragraph 11.2 of the Doha Decision on Implementation-Related Issues and Concerns, the Council for TRIPS has requested Members concerned to provide information on their implementation of Article 66.2 of the TRIPS Agreement.

The Czech Republic provides incentives to enterprises and institutions in its territory in order to promote and encourage technology transfer to least-developed country Members in the framework of the Development Aid Programme. The programme includes transfer of know-how, expert consultancy, assistance to development of technological bases, assistance to research activities, geological and hydrological prospecting, introduction of medical activities and establishment of health-care centres, management support, training and education. The present document lists concrete actual projects of the Development Aid.

Projects of Development Aid realized in Least-Developed Countries:

- Assistance to development of energy base in Bangladesh (1998-2001), renewal and reconstruction of power plants Khulna and Chittagong, top equipment delivery and expert consultancy (under responsibility of the Ministry of Industry and Trade);
- Assistance to establishment of health-care centre and training medical centre in Zambia/Lusaca (1998-2003), help with introducing of medical activities (under responsibility of the Ministry of Health);
- Geological prospecting of mineralization in the copper area, Zambia (1999-2003), including assessment of environmental impacts of copper mining, realized by the Czech Geological Institute (under responsibility of the Ministry of Environment);
- Assessment of energy potential of black slate, including environmental impacts of its combustion, Burkina Faso (2001-2002), solution to insufficiency of energy resources in the area, realized by the Czech Geological Institute (under responsibility of the Ministry of Industry and Trade);

- Hydrological prospecting and research of water resources focused on arid areas, Ethiopia (2001-2002), processing of hydrological data and water management plan for arid areas, realized by the Aquatest company (under responsibility of the Ministry of Environment).
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