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Council for Trade in Services

FIFTH DECISION ON NEGOTIATIONS ON EMERGENCY SAFEGUARD MEASURES

Adopted by the Council for Trade in Services on 15 March 2004

The Council for Trade in Services,

Having regard to the provisions of Article X of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS),

Notwithstanding the Fourth Decision on Negotiations on Emergency Safeguard Measures adopted by the Council for Trade in Services on 15 March 2002 (S/L/102),

Having regard to the communication from the Chairperson of the Working Party on GATS Rules (S/C/W/236),

Decides as follows:

- 1. The first sentence of paragraph 1 of Article X shall continue to apply.
- 2. Subject to the outcome of the mandate in paragraph 1, the results of such negotiations shall enter into effect on a date not later than the date of entry into force of the results of the current round of services negotiations.
- 3. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of Article X, until the entry into effect of the results of the negotiations mandated under paragraph 1 of Article X, the provisions of paragraph 2 of that Article shall continue to apply.