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Committee on Regional Trade Agreements

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NOTIFICATION OF REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENT

1. Member(s) notifying: Kingdom of Swaziland on behalf of the Republic of Botswana, the Kingdom of Lesotho, the Republic of Namibia and the Republic of South Africa
2. Date of notification: 25 June 2007
3. Notification pursuant to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article XXIV:7(a) of GATT 1994 <input type="checkbox"/> Article V:7(a) of GATS <input type="checkbox"/> Paragraph 4(a) of the Enabling Clause
4. Parties to the Agreement: Republic of Botswana, Kingdom of Lesotho, Republic of Namibia, Republic of South Africa and Kingdom of Swaziland
5. Date of signature: 21 October 2002
6. Date(s) of entry into Force: 15 July 2004
7. Brief description of the Agreement: The SACU Agreement covers mainly trade in goods. It has provisions for the freedom of transit; Import and Export Prohibitions and Restrictions; Protection of Infant Industries; TBT and SPS; Common Revenue Pool and Revenue Sharing Formula; Dispute Settlement; and one of its main objectives is to facilitate the development of common policies and strategies, which include, industrial development policy, agricultural policy and competition policy.
8. Text and related schedules, annexes and protocols are: <input type="checkbox"/> submitted to the WTO Secretariat (electronic format) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> available from the following official Internet link(s): SACU Secretariat: www.sacu.int South African Revenue Service (SARS): www.sars.co.za