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Committee on Import Licensing

AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 8.2(B) OF THE AGREEMENT

COLOMBIA

The following notification, dated 30 September 2013, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Colombia.

- 1. Notification under Article 1.4(a) []; Article 8.2(b) [X] (If the notification is made under both Articles please mark both with an X.)
- 2. Source(s) where the Import Licensing Procedure(s) has(ve) been published (Official Gazette, publication, website, etc.):

Official Journal, website.

3. Date of publicationⁱ: 9 May 2013, Official Journal No. 48785

Effective date of requirement: 26/06/2013

4. Copy(ies) of publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a)) and/or legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b)) is (are) available for consultation by Members:

[X] at the WTO Secretariat (Market Access Division) (In this case please attach copies of the publication and/or legislation, if possible in electronic format: Microsoft Word or compatible software.)

and/or

[X] by request at the following address and fax numbers, and/or e-mail and website:

http://www.mincit.gov.co/documentos.php?id=323

5. In the case that they are not in one of the three WTO official languages (English, French or Spanish), a SUMMARY of the <u>publication</u> (in case of Art. 1.4(a)) and/or the legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b)):

The Decree is available for consultation in Spanish on the above website. Decree No. 925 updates the provisions governing import regimes with a view to furthering the trade facilitation policy and brings the regulations into line with the commitments undertaken in the free trade agreements signed by Colombia.

6. Other pertinent data or information (i.e. title of the proposed or adopted law/regulation establishing the Import Licensing Procedure):

Decree No. 925 of 9 May 2013 establishing provisions governing applications for registration and import licences.

ⁱ "Each Member shall inform the Committee of any changes in its laws and regulations relevant to this Agreement and in the administration of such laws and regulations."

[&]quot;The rules and all information concerning procedures for the submission of applications, including the eligibility of persons, firms and institutions to make such applications, the administrative body(ies) to be approached, and the lists of products subject to the licensing requirement shall be published, in the sources notified to the Committee on Import Licensing [...] Copies of these publications shall also be made available to the Secretariat." See Art. 1.4(a) of the Agreement and document G/LIC/3 "Procedures for Notification and Review under the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures".

iii See document G/LIC/3 "Procedures for Notification and Review under the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures".