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AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLES 1.4(A) AND 8.2(B)

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The following communication, dated 17 June 2014, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Ecuador.

1. Pursuant to Article 72(f) of the Organic Code of Production, Trade and Investment, published in Official Journal No. 351 of 29 December 2010, the Foreign Trade Committee (COMEX) is responsible for issuing regulations on import licensing and import procedures other than customs procedures. COMEX replaces the Foreign Trade and Investment Council (COMEXI), the Resolutions of which are in full effect.

2. Regulations concerning products subject to pre-import controls are established in the following Resolutions:

- **COMEX Resolution No. 45** of 1 March 2012 (published in Official Journal No. 661 of 14 March 2012) incorporating in COMEXI Resolution No. 450 "List of products subject to pre-import controls" a list of HYDROCHLOROFLUOROCARBON (HCFC) products subject to import licences, to be granted by the Ministry of Industry and Productivity (MIPRO).
- **COMEX Resolution No. 73** of 11 July 2012 (published in Official Journal No. 765 of 13 August 2012) amending COMEX Resolution No. 45, which incorporated a list of HYDROCHLOROFLUOROCARBON (HCFC) products in the "List of products subject to pre-import controls".
- **COMEX Resolution No. 81** of 30 July 2012 (published in the Supplement to Official Journal No. 792 of 19 September 2012) making imports under four tariff subheadings corresponding to cotton products subject to import licences, to be granted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Aquaculture and Fisheries (MAGAP).
- **COMEX Resolution No. 89** of 24 October 2012 (published in the Second Supplement to Official Journal No. 824 of 6 November 2012) incorporating in COMEXI Resolution No. 450 "List of products subject to pre-import controls" a list of tariff subheadings subject to import licences, to be granted by the Ministry of Transport and Public Works (MTO).
- **COMEX Resolution No. 95** of 7 December 2012 (published in Official Journal No. 883 of 31 January 2013) amending COMEXI Resolution No. 450 to incorporate, in the "List of products subject to pre-import controls", control of the import licences for three-wheeled motor vehicles granted by the National Transit Agency (ANT).
- **COMEX Resolution No. 98** of 19 December 2012 (published in Official Journal No. 877 of 23 January 2013) providing for the administration by the Ministry of Industry and Productivity (MIPRO) of the allocation of the annual import quotas for HYDROCHLOROFLUOROCARBONS (HCFCs) by means of the licences approved pursuant to Resolution No. 45 and the amendment thereto (Resolution No. 73).

3. In accordance with the principle of transparency, the above-mentioned Resolutions can be downloaded from the "COMEX", "RESOLUCIONES" section of the Ministry of Foreign Trade website at <http://www.comercioexterior.gob.ec>.

The texts of the Resolutions are also available at the WTO Secretariat for consultation by Members.
