NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE
DECLARATION ON TRADE MEASURES
TAKEN FOR BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS PURPOSES

Communication from India, dated November 7, 1991

It would be recalled that at the consultations held with India at the meeting of the BOP Committee in October, 1989, India had undertaken to submit a schedule of import restrictions on tariff line basis in accordance with the Harmonised System of Commodity Classification.

I am pleased to forward herewith the Import Licensing Policy for 1990-93 realigned on HS. The classification system used in this document is the same as used by the Customs. This would reduce the scope of discretionary decision making and will introduce maximum transparency in the Import Policy. All the items listed in the Import Policy have been grouped into chapters, headings and sub-headings in order to bring out clearly the régime applicable for import of goods into India. The document uses the classification of product up to six digit level as in the Harmonised System and further up to ten digit level in accordance with internationally accepted rules of sub-classification. In this document, HS Code number, description of items, policy summary, paragraph references of the policy and page number of the Import Policy have been indicated at the same place. This is a step in rationalising and simplifying the Import Policy. For a complete understanding, this document should be read with the Import Policy for 1990-93, which is already available with the GATT Secretariat.

A copy of the above-mentioned document is available for consultation in Trade Policies Review Division.

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