The following communication has been received from the Government of Switzerland.

With reference to Article 16, paragraph 6, of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and to the decision taken by the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices at its first meeting, on 22 January 1980, Switzerland communicates the following:

The two chambers of the Swiss Parliament adopted the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade by Federal Order, at their sessions in December last year. Thus the Agreement now has the force of law in Switzerland. Its text has been published in the Swiss Federal Gazette (FF 1979 III 288) and is included in the Recueil des lois fédérales (RO 1979 2341). The two Declarations concerning the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are also in force.

For Switzerland, the present Agreement replaces the Kennedy Round Anti-Dumping Code, which was the only specific legal text previously applicable in this field. The authorities which were responsible for the application of the Kennedy Round Anti-Dumping Code (e.g. for receiving complaints, etc.) namely, the Federal Office of External Economic Affairs of the Federal Public Economy Department, continue to assume this function for the present Agreement.