QUESTIONNAIRES USED IN ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATIONS

United States

The following communication has been received from the United States Trade Representative (USTR)

In an effort to assist the work of the Ad Hoc Group on Anti-Dumping Practices in defining the scope of questionnaires, I have enclosed three sample questionnaires used by the US Department of Commerce in investigating dumping. As you will see, the content of the questionnaires is flexible, depending upon the nature of the investigation.

The International Trade Commission (USITC), which is responsible for injury investigations, does not use a formal questionnaire. Rather, the USITC conducts its information gathering as follows:

1. USITC telexes the US Embassy in the affected country and requests that the Embassy pose the following five questions of the manufacturers/exporters in question:

   (a) What has been your total capacity to produce the merchandise in question on an annual basis for the previous three years?

   (b) What did you actually produce on an annual basis for the past three years (capacity utilization)?

   (c) What are your exports to all markets (3 years)?

   (d) What are your exports to the US market (3 years)?

   (e) Do you plan to expand your capacity utilization in the future?

The USTR has also submitted a sample questionnaire used by the US International Trade Commission in contacts with domestic US firms. All these questionnaires are available in the secretariat for inspection by interested delegations.

1Interested delegations are requested to contact Miss S. Aspinall, Office 1024, Tel. Ext. 2153.