GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

Committee on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures

SEMI-ANNNUAL REPORTS UNDER ARTICLE 2:16 OF THE AGREEMENT

1. Under Article 2:16 of the Agreement, the signatories shall submit, on a semi-annual basis, reports on any countervailing duty actions taken within the preceding six months.

2. At its May 1980 meeting, the Committee agreed that signatories should submit reports covering the period 1 January 1980-30 June 1980 to the secretariat in good time before the autumn session of the Committee (SCM/M/3, paragraph 30).

3. Following the discussion at the May 1980 meeting of the Committee the Chairman proposed a standard form for these reports (SCM/2).

4. The reports submitted to the secretariat by Austria, the European Economic Community and Finland are reproduced hereunder. Signatories which have not yet submitted reports are invited to do so without delay.

Reporting signatory: AUSTRIA

No countervailing duty action has been taken by Austria during the first six months of this year.

Reporting signatory: EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES

Country: Brazil
Product: Stainless steel bars
Initiation: 18 December 1979
Provisional measures: None
Final outcome: No subsidy (5 June 1980)
Trade volume: 1,267 tonnes
Share of domestic consumption: 3.0 per cent

Reporting signatory: FINLAND

Finland did not take any countervailing duty action during the period 1 January 1980 to 30 June 1980.