The following communication from the Permanent Representative of Chile, dated 6 April 1981, has been received by the Chairman.

1. As you are aware, the Chilean Government ratified last 12 March 1981 the Agreement on Interpretation and Application of Articles VI, XVI and XXIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

2. Consequently, I hereby proceed to make the notifications pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Agreement. These notifications confirm the statements my delegation has made in the Committee. In particular, I would like to recall the one made at the meeting held on 8 May 1980 (page 6 of document SCM/M/3) regarding the status of our domestic legislation concerning countervailing duties, and our policy enforced since 1974 to the effect that no export subsidies are granted.

3. Notifications

(a) Concerning the provisions of Articles 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 19.5 of the Agreement the Chilean Government notifies that there are presently no domestic regulations nor administrative procedures regarding countervailing duties, and consequently as long as appropriate legislation is not enacted no such duties will be imposed.

(b) Concerning the provisions of Articles 7, 9, 10 and 14.5 of the Agreement the Chilean Government notifies that no subsidies are presently granted for the export of any product and that no such subsidies are intended to be applied in the future.

4. I would be very grateful if this letter could be circulated to the signatories in order to allow the Committee to take note of the notifications at its next meeting.