The following statement has been received from the delegation of Finland.

The Agreement itself has been incorporated into Finnish law by a law adopted by the Parliament on 22 February 1980. It shall come into force retroactively from 1 January 1980 by a presidential decree, which shall be given around 20 April.

A decision by the Council of State (Government) concerning information, notification and enquiry points has been prepared and is to be issued in May at the latest.

The replies to questions 4(a) to (e) of TBT/W/1 are:

(a) The publication for advance information shall be Virallinen Lehti (The Official Gazette of Finland). The texts for technical regulations, governmental standards and rules for governmental certification systems are published in the Finnish Code of Statutes or in the Code of Statutes of the relevant governmental body. Non-governmental standards and rules for non-governmental certification systems are published in the publications of the relevant standardizing and certification bodies. Detailed information about these publications shall be provided by the national enquiry point.

(b) At least six weeks.
(c) Suomen Standardisoimisliitto (Finnish Standards Organization), PL 205, 00121 HELSINKI 12. At present the enquiry point is operational only concerning national standards. It is expected to be fully operational at the beginning of 1981.

(d) Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department of Foreign Trade, Hallituskatu 3 B, 00170 HELSINKI 17.

(e) Control of the implementation of the Agreement in Finland: Ministry of Trade and Industry, Aleksanterinkatu 10, 00170 HELSINKI 17.