COMMUNICATION FROM ROMANIA

The following communication, dated 27 September 1993, has been received from Romania with the request that it be circulated to members of the Committee.

The purpose of this communication is to notify regulations related to standardization, certification, consumers' protection and institutional framework of these activities adopted by the Government of Romania, as follows:


  The Decision refers to the establishment of the National System for Quality Certification, covering all products and services, certification bodies, quality systems certification bodies, staff certification bodies and all accredited test laboratories.


  The Ordinance contains general provisions concerning the elaboration and approval of standards, application of standards, work of conformity to Romanian standards, penalties and final and transitory prescriptions.


  The Decision contains regulations on the functioning of the Romanian Standards Institute as the specialized body of the central public administration in the field of standardization.

  The Decision contains general prescriptions concerning the consumers' life, health and safety protection, protection of the economic interests of consumers, public administration bodies for consumers' protection, associations for consumers' protection, consultative bodies for consumers' protection, legal enforcement.


  The Decision refers to the setting up of the National Center for Training, Consultancy and Management in Quality Ensurance and its functions.

This notification is made for reasons of transparency.

Copies in Romanian, as well as an unofficial translation in English provided by the Romanian Standards Institute - the Romanian National Enquiry Point - can be consulted in the GATT secretariat.