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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:

- Government Decision No. 167 of 6 April 1992 on the setting up and functioning of the National System for Quality Certification, published in Monitorul Oficial al României (Official Gazette of Romania) No. 70 of 21 April 1992.

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.

- Government Ordinance No. 19 of 21 August 1992 on the standardization activity in Romania, published in Monitorul Oficial al României No. 212 of 28 August 1992.

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.

- Government Decision No. 483 of 24 August 1992 on the functioning of the Romanian Standards Institute as the specialized body of the central public administration in the field of standardization, published in Monitorul Oficial al României No. 212 of 28 August 1992.

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.

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- Government Decision No. 482 of 24 August 1992 on Consumers' Protection, published in Monitorul Oficial al României No. 212 of 28 August 1992.

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.

- Government Decision No. 721 of 10 November 1992 on the setting up of the National Center for Training, Consultancy and Management in Quality Ensurance, published in Monitorul Oficial al României No. 297 of 23 November 1992.

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.