

COMMITTEE ON IMPORT LICENSING

MEETING OF 26 MARCH 1991

Note from the Chairperson

1. The Committee on Import Licensing held its twenty-eighth meeting on 26 March 1991. The Committee elected Mrs. Lourdes A. Berrig (Philippines) Chairperson and Mr. John Clarke (Hong Kong) Vice-Chairperson for 1991.
2. The Committee welcomed Bolivia as a new observer to the Committee, and agreed to grant observer status to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.
3. The Committee took note of revised, corrected or updated replies to the GATT Questionnaire on Import Licensing from Singapore, Finland, Hong Kong, Austria, the European Communities, Yugoslavia, Argentina and the United States, as well as publications containing information on import licensing procedures from New Zealand and Canada and information on implementation and administration of the Agreement from New Zealand and Hong Kong.
4. The Committee took note of information provided by the representative of Romania on recent changes that had been made to Romania's import licensing procedures, and his statement that the new import licensing system would shortly be notified in accordance with GATT procedures.
5. The Committee agreed to ask the Secretariat to prepare the necessary documentation for the sixth biennial review of the Agreement, and agreed also that the Chairperson should consult informally on an appropriate date for the Committee to hold its next meeting.