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Note by the Chairman

1. In order to achieve greater uniformity in the methodology used by the Parties in their semi-annual reports, the Chairman wishes to make two specific suggestions. Parties are requested to take these suggestions into consideration in the preparation of the next semi-annual reports.
2. A first area in which there is room for improvement of the reporting procedures concerns column 3 of the standard form for semi-annual reports (ADP/3) which lists cases in which an investigation has been initiated. The initiation of a completely new investigation should be distinguished from the reopening of a suspended investigation or the opening of an investigation in the context of a review of an existing anti-dumping measure. It is proposed that whenever Parties list in column 3 cases in which an investigation has been reopened or in which an investigation has been initiated as part of a review procedure, they indicate this by using the symbol (R) after the date of initiation.
3. In accordance with the footnote on page 2/3 of ADP/3, Parties are required to list in an annex "all outstanding anti-dumping actions". However, sometimes there is a lack of uniformity between the reports submitted by various Parties concerning the type of measures that are listed in the annex. In some reports the annex comprises definitive duties only, whereas in some other cases the annex includes provisional duties and price undertakings. In order to render the annexes comparable it is proposed that the measures listed be divided into two categories: a first category, comprising all definitive duties and a second category listing price undertakings. Provisional measures should never be listed in the annex.