MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD
ON 21 FEBRUARY 1995

Chairman: Mr. Mohan Kumar (India)

1. The Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices ("the Committee") held a special meeting on 21 February 1995. The following agenda was adopted.

   A. Proposal for Election of Officers
   B. Acceptance of the Agreement by Slovenia (ADP/130)
   C. Withdrawal from the Agreement by the United States (ADP/133)
   D. Decision on "Transitional Arrangements - Avoidance of Procedural and Institutional Duplication" (PC/11)

2. The Committee elected Mr. Mohan Kumar Chairman of the Committee.

3. The Chairman proposed that the election of the Vice-Chairman be held at the next regular meeting of the Committee.

4. The Committee so agreed.

B. Acceptance of the Agreement by Slovenia

5. The Chairman stated that document ADP/130 informs the members of the Committee that "on 7 November 1994, the Government of Slovenia signed the Agreement on implementation of Article 6 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade". In terms of paragraph 4 of its Article 16, the Agreement entered into force for Slovenia on 7 December 1994. On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman welcomed Slovenia as a Party to the Agreement and as a member of the Committee.

6. The representative of Slovenia thanked the Chairman and the Committee for the greetings, and on behalf of Slovenia expressed his happiness to be a member of the Committee.

7. The Committee took note of the statement.
C. **Withdrawal from the Agreement by the United States**

8. The Chairman stated that document ADP/133 informed the members of the Committee that the Director-General received, on 30 December 1994, a communication from the office of the United States Trade Representative notifying the decision of the Government of the United States to withdraw from the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Pursuant to Article 16, paragraph 9 of the Agreement, the withdrawal shall take effect upon the expiry of 60 days from that date.

9. The Committee **took note** of document ADP/133.

D. **Decision on Transitional Arrangements - Avoidance of Procedural and Institutional Duplication**

10. The Chairman stated that the Preparatory Committee had recommended in PC/11 that in order to coordinate the activities of the bodies established under the GATT 1947, the Tokyo Round Agreements and the WTO Agreement, the relevant bodies adopt a decision on avoidance of procedural and institutional duplication. Members of the Committee will recall that the General Council of the WTO adopted this decision on 31 January 1995. The relevant document is WT/L/29. The Tokyo Round Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices will also need to adopt this decision in order to coordinate its activities with those of the WTO Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices, including notifications and the possibility of holding joint and/or consecutive meetings. The Chairman proposed that the Committee adopt the decision proposed by the Preparatory Committee in PC/11.

11. The Committee **adopted** the decision.