

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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PREPARATIONS FOR THE SEVENTH BIENNIAL
REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION AND
OPERATION OF THE AGREEMENT

Note by the Secretariat

1. The seventh biennial review of the implementation and operation of the Agreement will be held in the autumn of 1993.
2. Previous biennial reviews of the implementation and operation of the Agreement under Article 5.5 were conducted by the Committee in 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987, 1989 and 1991. The results of these reviews were incorporated in the minutes of the meetings (LIC/M/5, 9, 14/Rev.1, 20, 25 and 29) and in the relevant basic documents by the Secretariat (LIC/5, 7, 9 and Corr.1 and 2, 13 and Corr.1 and 2, 16 and Corr.1 and 2 and 17/Rev.1 and Rev.1/Suppl.1).
3. The Secretariat will prepare a basic document which will consolidate all relevant information submitted by signatories on their import licensing procedures since the sixth biennial review, as well as any action taken by them under the Agreement, as contained in:
 - (a) publications used and texts available for consultation in the Secretariat (listed in the LIC/3 series of documents);
 - (b) information regarding public notice (LIC/4/Rev.4);
 - (c) notifications made to the Committee under Article 5.4 (LIC/1 and Addenda);
 - (d) replies to the GATT Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures (listed in L/5640/Rev.9 and subsequent Addenda to L/5640); and
 - (e) any relevant statements made by signatories under item-by-item examinations of the implementation and operation of the Agreement in the course of the Committee's work and as reported in the minutes of the meetings (LIC/M/29 to 31).
4. The proposed basic document will follow the pattern of that prepared for the sixth biennial review (LIC/17/Rev.1).

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5. Signatories are invited to communicate to the Secretariat by 1 July 1993 any additional data they wish to have included in the basic document and to update the list of names of persons available to serve on panels that was contained in Section 7.2 of LIC/17/Rev.1 and Rev.1/Suppl.1. The basic document will be issued by 1 August 1993. It will be revised as necessary following the review session to take into account any additional points raised.