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EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

Supplement

The following communication, dated 14 October 2004, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the European Commission.

Pursuant to Article 18(5) of the WTO Anti-Dumping Agreement, please find attached information received from the new Member States concerning their anti-dumping legislation.

NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 18.5 OF THE AGREEMENT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE VI OF THE GATT 1994

CYPRUS

Concerning the Notification under Article 18.5 of the Anti-Dumping Agreement of the WTO, please note that the old anti-dumping law which existed since 1955, but had never been used, has become obsolete following accession of Cyprus to the European Union.

CZECH REPUBLIC

After the accession of the Czech Republic to the EU, its national anti-dumping legislation, i.e. Act No. 152/1997 Coll., on the protection against imports of dumped products, expired. At present, the proposal of the law that will formally repeal the Czech anti-dumping legislation is going through the governmental and parliamentarian legislative procedure.

ESTONIA

With reference to Article 18.5 of the Agreement on Implementation of Art. VI of the GATT 1994, the Republic of Estonia notified the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices in the document G/ADP/N/1/EST/2 dating to the 02.06.2003 the full text of Anti-Dumping Act Passed on the 12.06.2002. The full text of Anti-Dumping Act was published in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Estonia Riigi Teataja (RT1 I 2002, 57, 358), and entered into force on 01.09.2002. The § 72 of the Anti-Dumping Act stated that this Act is repealed upon Estonia's accession to the European Union.

HUNGARY

With reference to Article 18.5 of the Agreement on the implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, Hungary informs the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices that its national legislation on anti-dumping and countervailing duty investigations has been repealed by Government Decree No. 105/2004. (IV.27.) From 1May 2004, the relevant legislation of the European Communities is applicable in Hungary.

LITHUANIA

Pursuant to Article 18.5 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, Lithuania wishes to inform, that the Law on the Amendment of the Anti-Dumping Law of the Republic of Lithuania No. IX-663, adopted on 17 December 2001 (see notifications G/ADP/N/1/LTU/1 and G/ADP/N/1/LTU/Corr.1) was repealed by the Law on Repeal of the Law on Customs Tariffs, the Law on Anti-dumping, the Law on Safeguar d Measures and the Law on Countervailing Duties, and the Legislation Amending Thereof, No. IX-2146, adopted on 20 April 2004. This piece of legislation is published in "Valstybes žinios" (*Official Gazette*) No. 63-2248 and came into force on 1 May 2004.

LATVIA

With reference to Article 18.5 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the GATT 1994, Latvia notifies that its anti-dumping legislation (The Anti-dumping Law, notified under G/ADP/N/1/LVA/2, G/ADP/N/1/LVA/2/Suppl.1; and Regulation No. 234 "Procedures for the Application of Certain Provisions of the Anti-dumping Law", notified under G/ADP/N/1/LVA/2/Suppl.2) has been abolished as of 1 May 2004, following Latvia's accession to the European Union.

MALTA

In document G/ADP/N/1/MLT/1, Malta notified that it does not have any laws and regulations on anti-dumping measures. Following its accession to the EU on 1 May 2004, the relevant Community legislation applies.

POLAND

As far as notification under Article 18.5 ADA is concerned, we would like to inform you that the Polish anti-dumping legislation - the Law of 11 December 1997 on the protection against importing goods into the Polish customs territory at dumping prices, notification of which was made on 31 July 1998, was repealed by the Law of 20.04.04, Official Journal of Poland, No.96, item 959, except for the regulations concerning pending cases in the administrative court with regard to past complaints.

SLOVAKIA

Pursuant to Article 18.5 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, Slovakia informs that the pre-accession legislation (Act No. 59 of 6 February 1997 on protection against dumping imports of goods) has been repealed by a cancelling provision of the new Customs Code. The Customs Code entered into force on the date on which the Treaty of Accession of the Slovak Republic to the European Union came into force.

SLOVENIA

Under Article 18.5 ADA, the Republic of Slovenia notified the Decree on Dumped and Subsidized Imports in the document G/ADP/N/1/SVN/1 on 5 April 1995. This decree was repealed by the Decree on termination of the decree on Dumped and Subsidized Imports which was published in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia No. 45/2004 on 29 April 2004.