

The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine

Decree

of 18 March 1996, No. 329

Kyiv

**On the Approval of Priority Measures for 1996
concerning Ukraine's Accession to the General Agreement
on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and Joining the World
Trade Organisation (WTO)**

For the implementation of the Program of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine for 1995-1996 concerning the acceleration of the process for Ukraine to obtain full membership in the World Trade Organisation and with a view to ensuring the successive and comprehensive reform of all components of the foreign trade system of Ukraine in accordance with the principles and disciplines of the international multilateral trade system GATT/WTO, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine enacts:

1. To approve the plan of priority measures for 1996 concerning Ukraine's accession to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and joining the World Trade Organisation (WTO) (in addendum)
2. With the purpose of establishing a new trade system, the Intergovernmental Commission on Ukraine's Accession to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and Joining the World Trade Organisation shall ensure the preparation of the changes and additions to the legislation which arise from the principles and disciplines of GATT/WTO.

The Prime Minister of Ukraine

Y.Marchuk

**The Minister
of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine**

V.Pustovoitenko

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**Plan of Priority Measures
Concerning Ukraine's Accession to the General Agreement
On Tariffs And Trade (GATT) And Joining the
World Trade Organisation (WTO)**

| Scope of Work | Responsible for Implementation | Imple-ment ation Period |
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| 1. To complete the preparation of a Draft Concept of the Transformation of the Ukrainian Tariff System for negotiations on reducing tariff rates within the framework of Ukraine's accession to GATT/WTO with a view to providing access to commodity markets. After the adoption of this Concept to submit it officially to the WTO Secretariat | Intergovernmental Commission on Ukraine's accession to GATT and Joining the WTO; the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade; the State Customs Committee; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Finance; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the Ministry of Justice; Expert Working Group on the preparation of the Concept on the Improvement of the Unified Customs Tariff of Ukraine | April 1996 |
| 2. To hold bilateral negotiations on reducing tariff rates with potential trading partners within GATT/WTO in accordance with the Concept of the Transformation of Ukrainian Tariff System | Intergovernmental Commission on Ukraine's Accession to GATT and Joining the WTO | October 1996 |
| 3. To prepare the official policy of Ukraine with regard to negotiations on market access to services. After its adoption to submit it to the WTO Secretariat and make proposals concerning negotiations on Ukraine's accession to the General Agreement of the WTO on Trade in Services | Intergovernmental Commission on Ukraine's Accession to GATT and Joining the WTO; the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs | December 1996 |
| 4. To prepare proposals concerning bringing the provisions of Ukrainian legislation in conformity with the requirements of GATT/WTO on the following issues: regulation of supply of products for | | |

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| government needs | the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade; the Ministry of Finance; the Ministry of Justice; | June 1996 |
| import licensing | the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Finance; the State Customs Committee; the Ministry of Justice; | May 1996 |
| customs duties | the State Customs Committee; the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Finance the Ministry of Justice | December 1996 |
| regulating activity of state trading enterprises | the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Finance; the Anti-monopoly Committee; the Ministry of Justice | July 1996 |
| modifying methods of statistical reporting in foreign economic activity | the Ministry of Statistics; the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade the State Customs Committee the National Bank the Ministry of Justice | December 1996 |
| protection of intellectual property rights | the State Patent Office; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Finance; the State Customs Committee; the Anti-Monopoly Committee; the Ministry of Justice | December 1996 |
| 5. To prepare the following Draft Laws of Ukraine: | | |
| “On Government Support to Industry” | the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade; the Ministry of Finance; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Industry; | October 1996 |

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| | the Ministry of Machine- Building; the Ministry of Justice | |
| “On the Protection of Rights to Topographies of Integrated Circuits” | the State Patent Office; the Ministry of Machine- Building; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Finance; the Ministry of Justice; | October 1996 |
| “On the Protection of Rights to Geographical Indications” | the State Patent Office; the Ministry of the Economy; the Ministry of Finance; the Ministry of Justice; | September 1996 |
| 6. To hold the third Working Party Meeting on Ukraine's Accession to GATT and Joining the WTO | The Intergovernmental Commission on Ukraine's Accession to GATT and Joining the WTO | June 1996 |