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Chapter IV

Article 34

Add the following to paragraph 3 (a):

"The temporary binding of the actual value of the merchandise may nevertheless be permitted, provided that it is revised to be brought into line with the actual value within a period not exceeding three years."

In paragraph 3 (b), insert the following after the words: "under fully competitive conditions":

"In the case of Government contracts in respect of primary products, the contract price shall be regarded as the actual value."

Insert a new paragraph 7, as follows:

"Traders, before despatching merchandise, shall be able to consult the appropriate customs authorities with regard to the classification, tariff and value applicable to the merchandise."

Article 35

Paragraph 4 - in lines 2 and 4, replace the word "penalties" by the word "sanctions". In lines 6 and 7, replace the words "without fraudulent intent" by the words "not of a serious nature". In line 7, delete the words "gross negligence".

Add the following to paragraph 5:

"The Organization should study and specially recommend to Members the granting of every facility as regards duties and quantitative control for the import and export of articles of any kind intended for commercial and tourist advertising purposes and not for sale. The same privileges shall be granted to commercial travellers and to collections of samples accompanying them."

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"In the case of any customs offence, for which only a monetary penalty is imposed, the matter shall be considered closed if the offender recognizes the offence and pays the appropriate duties and surcharges."
