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## INFORMATION ON IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT

### Legislation of Chile

#### Corrigendum

1. The following explanatory text should be inserted at the beginning of the document:

"I have the pleasure to inform you of a change in the competent authority for the investigation of subsidies and countervailing duties in my country.

It should be mentioned in this connection that Law No. 18,525, as subsequently amended, concerning rules governing the importation of goods into the country, refers to Articles 9, 10 and 11 to the "National Commission responsible for investigating the existence of distortions in the prices of imported goods".

This "National Commission" (Article 11 of Law No. 18,525) was set up by Article 2, No. IX(a), of Law No. 18,840, published in the Diario Oficial of 10 October 1989 (in force as from 10 December 1989).

By Law No. 18,908, published in the Diario Oficial of 24 January 1990, among other modifications Article 11 of Law No. 18,525 was amended so as to include among the responsibilities of the "National Commission" that of conducting the investigations referred to in the Agreement on Interpretation and Application of Articles VI, XVI and XXIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), approved by Decree Law No. 3,567 of 1980 and enacted by Supreme Decree of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 300 of 1981 (previously, the competent authority was the Central Bank of Chile).

Accordingly, at present the "National Commission" responsible for investigating the existence of distortions in the prices of imported goods is the national authority competent to examine complaints and conduct investigations relating to subsidies in connection with the prices of imported goods covered by the GATT Subsidies Code.

2. The first line of paragraph 1 on page 1 should read:

"The text of Articles 9, 10 and 11 of Law No. 18,525"

3. The following text and footnote should be inserted immediately after the title on page 2:

"Article 9. The President of the Republic may establish minimum customs values for products of which the normal transaction prices have been temporarily diminished as a result of circumstances originating in international markets, and the import of which under such conditions causes or threatens serious injury to the domestic industry. The favourable report of the Commission referred to in Article 11 shall be required for the fixing of such values. A minimum customs value may not be set for more than twelve months. At the end of that period, it may be extended only when the effects that gave rise to its establishment persist, for which a favourable report of the above-mentioned Commission shall also be required.

The minimum customs value established shall constitute the dutiable base for customs purposes, unless the customs value<sup>1</sup> constructed on the basis of the transaction price is higher.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Law 18,908, D.O. 24.1.90, replacing the second indent of Article 8, and Articles 9 and 10."