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NOTIFICATION IN PURSUANCE OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE UNDERSTANDING REGARDING NOTIFICATION, CONSULTATION, DISPUTE SETTLEMENT AND SURVEILLANCE

Communication from Indonesia

The following communication dated 13 January 1993, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Indonesia for circulation to the contracting parties.

Pursuant to Paragraph 3 of the Understanding Regarding Notification, Consultation, Dispute Settlement and Surveillance, adopted on 28 November 1979, I enclose a copy of the Decree of the Minister of Trade No. 349/KP/XI/92 of November 1992, which introduces the import ban on plastic waste into the territory of the Republic of Indonesia.

The measure taken as stipulated in the Decree is based on Government efforts to prevent the environment from being polluted and to protect human health against the impact of plastic waste/scrap, especially imported plastic waste/scrap, especially imported plastic waste/garbage, as contained in the Tariff Headings Nos.: 3915.10.000; 3915.20.000; 3915.90.100; and 3915.90.900 of the Indonesian Customs Tariff Book.

BAN ON PLASTIC WASTE/SCRAP IMPORTS

(Decree of the Minister of Trade No. 349/KP/XI/92 dated 21 November 1992)

THE MINISTER OF TRADE,

Considering:

that in an effort to prevent the environment from being polluted and protect human health against the impact of plastic waste/scrap, especially imported plastic waste/scrap, it is necessary to impose a ban on waste/garbage imports.

In view of:

- Law No. 4/1982 on Principle Provisions Concerning the Management of the Environment (Statute Book of 1982, No. 12, Supplement to Statute Book No. 3215);
- 2. Government Regulation No. 1/1982 on the Realization of Imports and Exports as well as the Flow of Foreign Exchange (Statute Book of 1982, No. 1, Supplement to Statute Book No. 3210), as has been amended by Government Regulation No. 24/1988 (Statute Book of 1988, No. 33, Supplement to Statute Book No. 3291);
- 3. Presidential Decree No. 260/1967 on the Assignment and Responsibility of the Minister of Trade in the Foreign Trade Sector;
- 4. Presidential Decree No. 15/1984 on the Organizational Structure of Ministries, as has been several times amended, the latest by Presidential Decree No. 27/1992;
- 5. Presidential Decree No. 64/M/1988 on the Establishment of the Fourth Development Cabinet;
- 6. Decree of the Minister of Trade and Cooperatives, No. 28/KP/I/82 on General Provisions in the Import Sector;
- 7. Decree of the Minister of Trade, No. 200/KP/VI/92 on the Amendment of Decree of the Minister of Trade, No. 135/KP/VI/91 on Goods Subject to Import Regulations, as has been amended by Decree of the Minister of Trade, No. 197/KP/VIII/91;
- 8. Regulation of the Minister of Health, No. 453/Menkes/Per/XI/1983 on Hazardous Substances.

Taking into account:

- Letter of the Head of BAKOSTANAS, No. R/359/STANAS/IX/1989 dated
 September 1989 on the Disposal of Hazardous and Toxic Waste (B3);
- 2. Letter of the State Minister of Population and Environment/Head of Bapedal, No. B-1888/8/1982 dated August 1992 concerning the Ban on Plastic Garbage Imports;

DECIDES:

To stipulate: THE DECREE OF THE MINISTER OF TRADE CONCERNING THE BAN ON PLASTIC WASTE/SCRAP IMPORTS.

Article 1

To ban the import of plastic waste/scrap into the territory of the Republic of Indonesia.

Article 2

The plastic waste/garbage as referred to in Article 1 of this Decree shall be the plastic waste/scrap as contained in the Tariff Headings Nos.: 3915.10.000; 3915.20.000; 3915.30.000; 3915.90.100; 3915.90.900 of the Indonesian Customs Tariff Book.

Article 3

Other matters which are not yet regulated in this Decree shall be further stipulated.

Article 4

This Decree shall come into force as from the date of stipulation.

For public cognizance, this Decree shall be announced by placing it in the State Gazette of the Republic of Indonesia.

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Stipulated in Jakarta On 21 November 1992 THE MINISTER OF TRADE

(Signed) ARIFIN M. SIREGAR