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## **1 ARTICLE 17 OF THE AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURE**

### **1.1 Text of Article 17**

#### **Article 17**

##### *Committee on Agriculture:*

A Committee on Agriculture is hereby established.

### **1.2 Committee on Agriculture**

#### **1.2.1 Terms of reference**

1. At its meeting on 31 January 1995, the General Council adopted the following terms of reference for the Committee on Agriculture:

"The Committee shall oversee the implementation of the Agreement on Agriculture. The Committee shall afford Members the opportunity of consulting on any matter relating to the implementation of the provisions of the Agreement."<sup>1</sup>

#### **1.2.2 Rules of Procedure**

2. At its meeting on 22 May 1996, the Council for Trade in Goods adopted the Rules of Procedure for meetings of the Committee on Agriculture<sup>2</sup>, consisting of the General Council's Rules of Procedure<sup>3</sup> applied *mutatis mutandis* with agreed modifications.

#### **1.2.3 Activities**

3. The Committee on Agriculture reports annually on its activities to the Council for Trade in Goods.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> These terms of reference are those agreed by the Sub-Committee on Institutional, Procedural and Legal Matters of the Preparatory Committee for the World Trade Organization at its meeting on 7 October 1994 ([PC/IPL/1](#)), [WT/L/43](#) (17 February 1995).

<sup>2</sup> [G/C/M/10](#), section 1. Text of adopted Rules of Procedure can be found in document [G/L/142](#).

<sup>3</sup> [WT/L/161](#).

<sup>4</sup> [G/L/41](#), [G/L/131](#), [G/L/211](#), [G/L/276](#), [G/L/322](#), [G/L/417](#), [G/L/483](#), [G/L/594](#), [G/L/662](#), [G/L/719](#), [G/L/746](#), [G/L/796](#), [G/L/828](#), [G/L/856](#) and [Corr.1](#), [G/L/894](#), [G/L/929](#), [G/L/965](#) and [Add.1](#), [G/L/999](#), [G/L/1044](#), [G/L/1093](#), [G/L/1126](#), [G/L/1165](#), [G/L/1194](#), [G/L/1283](#), and [G/L/1332](#).