

## ILLUSTRATIVE MOCK EXAMPLES

### ILLUSTRATIVE<sup>1</sup> MOCK EXAMPLES OF NOTIFICATIONS

**Below are examples of texts that can be used for a "nil" notification:**

#### **Case 1: No safeguard laws and/or regulations are in existence in your country**

A simple letter stating this fact is sufficient.

The fact that a Member makes this notification does not mean that such legislation cannot be introduced in future and in no way circumscribes the Member's right to develop such legislation.

EXAMPLE:

"With reference to Article 12.6 of the Agreement on Safeguards, the Government of [name of Member] notifies the Committee on Safeguards that it has no laws and/or regulations relevant to the Agreement".

#### **Case 2: No specific safeguard laws and/or regulations are in existence in your country, BUT the Agreement is (a) incorporated into national law or (b) has force of law**

The notification should state either (a) or (b), and in the case that (a) applies, should be accompanied by a copy of the domestic legal instrument incorporating the Agreement into national law, if document such exists.

EXAMPLES:

- a) "With reference to Article 12.6 of the Agreement on Safeguards, the Government of [name of Member] notifies the Committee on Safeguards that it has no laws and/or regulations relevant to the Agreement. The Agreement was incorporated in national law by Act [number xx] of [date], published in the Official Gazette on [date]. A copy of that Act is enclosed."
- b) "With reference to Article 12.6 of the Agreement on Safeguards, the Government of [name of Member] notifies the Committee on Safeguards that it has no laws and/or regulations relevant to the Agreement. The Agreement is applied with force of law in [name of Member]."

#### **Case 3: No safeguard laws and/or regulations are in existence, BUT your country is in the process of developing such laws and/or regulations.**

The notification should state this fact and should state an estimated date when such laws and/or regulations will take effect and will be notified to the Committee.

EXAMPLE:

"With reference to Article 12.6 of the Agreement on Safeguards, the Government of [name of Member] notifies the Committee on Safeguards that it has no laws and/or regulations relevant to the Agreement. Such laws and/or regulations are currently being drafted and enactment is expected in [month, year] at which time a translation into a WTO language will be prepared and the law will be notified to the Committee."

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that this is an illustrative non-exhaustive list of mock examples. Other situations may exist and in case of doubt, Members/Observer governments are requested to contact the Secretary of the SG Committee.