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IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

Communication from the Delegation of India

The following communication, dated 21 March 1979, has been received from the delegation of India.

Please refer to the text of a draft agreement on Import Licensing Procedures circulated in document MTN/NTM/W/213. I enclose a list of amendments to this document that are suggested by the delegation of India. I would be grateful if you could arrange to have the enclosed amendments officially circulated to all MTN participants.

Amendments Proposed by India to the Draft Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures Contained in MTN/NTM/W/213

- (1) Paragraph 5, second sentence: Replace with the following:

 "Such documents as are strictly necessary may be required on application."
- (2) Title for paragraphs 10 and 11: Replace with the following:

 "Licensing for purposes other than for administration of import restrictions."
- (3) Title for paragraph 12: Replace with the following:
 "Licensing for administration of import restrictions."
- (4) The proposed changes in the titles for paragraphs 10, 11 and 12 will involve consequential changes in the text of these paragraphs.
- (5) Paragraph 12(b)(iii): Replace with the following:
 "where quotas are allocated among supplying countries, the distribution of licences;"
- (6) Paragraph 12(b), last sentence: The square brackets to be deleted.
- (7) Paragraph 12(c): Replace with the following:

 "Governments administering quotas by means of licensing shall normally publish the overall amount of quotas to be applied by quantity or value, the opening and closing dates of quotas, and any change thereof

unless considerations of commercial or public policy require otherwise."

(8) Paragraph 13 and its title: Delete.