

## **DISSEMINATION OF THE INTEGRATED DATA BASE (IDB) AND THE CONSOLIDATED TARIFF SCHEDULES (CTS) DATABASE**

### Communication from the CARICOM Secretariat

The following communication, dated 17 June 2004, is being circulated at the request of the CARICOM Secretariat.

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Pursuant to the measure envisaged in paragraph 5 of document G/MA/115 concerning the dissemination of the Integrated Data Base (IDB) of the World Trade Organization (WTO), approved by the WTO Committee on Market Access on 12 June 2002, the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat, presents its compliments and has the honour to request access for the CARICOM Secretariat to the IDB and to the Consolidated Tariff Schedules (CTS) database. The CARICOM Secretariat undertakes to use and publish the information contained in these databases in accordance with the terms and conditions laid out in document G/MA/115.

As Members of the Committee are aware, the CARICOM Secretariat has observer Status in the Committee on Trade and Development. As the Regional Secretariat of the Caribbean Community and Common Market, it has the responsibility to assist CARICOM Member States, who are Members and Observers of the WTO, to participate effectively in the regional, bilateral, hemispheric, plurilateral, and multilateral trading arrangements in which they are involved.

As outlined in the Dissemination Modalities (Section D, paragraph 9 of G/MA/115), the Secretariat has identified Mrs Valerie Alleyne Odle, Deputy Programme Manager, External Economic and Economic and Trade, Directorate of Foreign and Community Relations, as the focal point who will be responsible for receiving the IDB access passwords and controlling their use within the organization.

It would be appreciated if our request could be forwarded to the Committee on Market Access for its consideration.

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