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Requests Pursuant to Article 27.4 of the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures

Questions Posed by AUSTRALIA Regarding the Notification of ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES¹

The following communication, dated 4 April 2002, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Australia.

Australia submits the following as an initial set of questions/comments. We reserve our right to ask further questions on this request at a later stage.

We thank St. Vincent & Grenadines for its submission of detailed information relating to its request for extension for exemption under Article 27.4 contained in documents G/SCM/N/74/VCT and G/SCM/N/71/VCT.

1. Under the Fiscal Incentives Act, what types of activities are undertaken by the different categories or groups of enterprises? What determines how enterprises are categorised?
2. Document G/SCM/N/71/VCT notes the level of subsidies granted in 1995 to 1997. Could St. Vincent & Grenadines confirm that these figures represent total revenue foregone?

¹ G/SCM/N/74/VCT, G/SCM/N/71/VCT.