

NOTIFICATION IN PURSUANCE OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE UNDERSTANDING
REGARDING NOTIFICATION, CONSULTATION, DISPUTE SETTLEMENT
AND SURVEILLANCE AND THE DECISION ON NOTIFICATION
PROCEDURES ANNEXED TO THE FINAL ACT EMBODYING
THE RESULTS OF THE URUGUAY ROUND OF
MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

Communication from Argentina

Addendum

The following communication, dated 5 March 1997, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Argentina for circulation to WTO Members.

In connection with the Argentine notification contained in document WT/L/204, I have the pleasure to transmit herewith a copy of Resolution 225/97 published in the Official Journal of the Argentine Republic, No. 28592 of 24 February 1997.

MERCOSUR COMMON NOMENCLATURE

Resolution 225/97

Elimination of Minimum Specific Import Duties (DIEM) on tariff items included in Chapter 64 of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System.

Having seen file No. 061-000121/97 of the Registry of the Ministry of the Economy, Works and Public Services, and considering:

- That by virtue of Decree No. 998 of 28 December 1995 amending Decree No. 2275 of 23 December 1994, minimum specific import duties were set for various footwear products;
- that during 1996 other regulations were enacted partly modifying those duties;
- that the first regulation cited in the first preambular paragraph above stipulated that minimum specific import duties would remain in force until 31 December 1996, and considering further that they were extended to 31 August 1997 by Resolution No. 23/97 of the Ministry of the Economy, Works and Public Services;
- that in the light of changes to the structure of import duties applicable to the merchandise concerned, it is necessary to review the validity of DIEMs and accordingly revoke the regulations governing imports of the products included in Chapter 64 of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System, so as to avoid unnecessary duplication;
- that the Secretariat for Industry, Commerce and Mining has participated in preparing this measure;
- that the General Department of Legal Affairs in this Ministry has taken the appropriate action within its sphere of competence;
- that the present resolution is being adopted based on the provisions of Law No. 22.415, the Law of Ministries - t.o. 1992 - and in Law No. 22.792 and in the exercise of the powers conferred by Decrees Nos. 751 of 8 March 1974 and 2275 of 23 December 1994.

Wherefore, the Ministry of the Economy, Works and Public Services resolves:

- Article 1: To eliminate Minimum Specific Import Duties on the tariff items included in Chapter 64 of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System set out in Annex IX of Decree No. 998/95 and its amending regulations.
- Article 2: The present resolution shall become effective as from the date of its publication in the Official Journal.
- Article 3: For communication, publication, transmittal to the National Registry Office and archiving.