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### Questions from TURKEY Regarding the New and Full Notification of ISRAEL<sup>1</sup>

The following communication, dated 18 March 1997, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Turkey.

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1. Could Israel please explain what regions are eligible under the "Business Tutorial Programme", on page 6, and the criteria used to select them, in accordance with Article 8.2(b) of the SCM Agreement?
  2. Does Israel consider that the subsidies granted under the "Encouragement of Marketing Fund" programme, on page 11, are not export subsidies? Could you please clarify?
  3. Could Israel please clarify what is meant by the phrase "infrastructural marketing expenditure", on page 11, and indicate the marketing expenditures considered to be infrastructural?
  4. Could Israel provide a more detailed sectoral breakdown of the subsidies granted under the programme titled "The Encouragement of Capital Investment" on page 14?
  5. What are the criteria used by Israel in determining that a firm is a start-up firm? Does Israel consider any kind of legal, financial or administrative relations of the start-up firms with the already established firms while deciding on whether a firm is a start-up one or not?

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<sup>1</sup>G/SCM/N/3/ISR-G/SCM/N/16/ISR & Corr.1.