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CUSTOMS UNION BETWEEN TURKEY AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

Communication from the Parties to the Agreement

Addendum

The following communication, dated 31 July 1996, has been received from the Permanent Delegation of the European Communities and the Permanent Mission of Turkey.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN TURKEY AND THE EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL COMMUNITY ON TRADE IN PRODUCTS COVERED BY THE TREATY ESTABLISHING THE EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL COMMUNITY

Turkey and the European Communities have the honour to inform the Members of the World Trade Organization that the Agreement between Turkey and the European Coal and Steel Community on trade in products covered by the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community will enter into force on 1 August 1996 following the signature of the Agreement in Brussels on 25 July 1996.¹

The Agreement is intended as the complement to the Customs Union in respect of products covered by the European Coal and Steel Community and as a transitional arrangement in respect of such products until the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community expires in the year 2002.

This Agreement taken together with the Customs Union provides the framework for future trade relations between Turkey and the Community in conformity with Article XXIV of the GATT 1994.

¹The text of the Agreement is circulated in document WT/REG22/1/Add.1.