GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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THIRD ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE OPERATION OF THE AGREEMENT

Basic Document by the Secretariat

Supplement

- 1 The present document completes the information relating to the Third Annual Review of the implementation and operation of the Agreement contained in documents TBT/10 and TBT/10/Suppl.1. It supplements or replaces the relevant parts of those documents in the following sections:
 - Implementation and administration.
 General.
 - 4. Technical assistance and special and differential treatment.
 - 7. The use of international standards; participation in regional standardizing bodies or international and regional certification systems.
 - 8. Transparency 8.2 Information.
 - 9. Testing procedures and acceptance of test results.

2 . IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION

2.1 GENERAL

Yugoslavia

On page 43, the first paragraph relating to Yugoslavia should be amended to read as follows:

Yugoslavia signed the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade on 16 September 1980, and ratified it on 18 August 1982.

4. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT

Romania

Romania has neither received nor granted any technical assistance under the Agreement, but as a developing country is interested in having the benefit os such assistance.

7. THE USE OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS: PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL STANDARDIZING BODIES OR INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL CERTIFICATION SYSTEMS

Romania

Romania is a member and takes an active part in the work of the principal international and regional standards organizations and bodies in the area of standardization and certification of quality, such as ISO, IEC, Codex Alimentarius, etc.

Recommendations made by these organizations are introduced into Romanian standards by the competent national authorities, according to the interest they present for the national economy. The same treatment is given to CMEA standards since Romania is not a signatory of the 1974 Convention on application of CMEA standards and the latter are therefore not mandatory for it; this situation has already been mentioned in relevant documents of the Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade.

8. TRANSPARENCY

8.2 INFORMATION

European Economic Community

On page 93, the telephone number of the enquiry point for industrial products is provisionally changed to the following:

235.82.57

International + 32 235.82.57

Netherlands

On page 98:

(b) Enquiry point mentioned in Article 10, paragraph 2:

Stichting Raad voor de Certificatie (Certification Council) Kalfjeslaan, 2 2623 AA Delft

Telephone: (015) 611061

International + 31 15 61 10 61

Telex: 38144

9. TESTING PROCEDURES AND ACCEPTANCE OF TEST RESULTS

Chile

The following information should be added to the entry regarding Chile:

In accordance with the legal provisions in force, the Agricultural and Livestock Service of the Ministry of Agriculture, the services under the responsibility of the Ministry of Health and the Electrical and Gas

Services Authority carry out laboratory analyses and tests (as well as inspection) of foodstuffs, chemical products, pharmaceutical products and electrical and gas appliances, respectively, whether for human or animal consumption or use or for utilization in agriculture, before any import is authorized.

In all cases, the laboratories and services concerned communicate the results of the tests directly to interested parties in accordance with the relevant regulations.