

**Council for Trade in Services**

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
WORKING PARTY ON GATS RULES**

1. Following consultations, Members of the Working Party on GATS Rules agreed that the negotiations under GATS Article X shall continue, as stipulated in the attached draft decision.
2. I would recommend that the Council for Trade in Services adopt the attached draft decision.

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**FIFTH DECISION ON NEGOTIATIONS ON EMERGENCY SAFEGUARD MEASURES**

*The Council for Trade in Services,*

*Having regard to the provisions of Article X of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS),*

*Notwithstanding the Fourth Decision on Negotiations on Emergency Safeguard Measures adopted by the Council for Trade in Services on 15 March 2002 (S/L/102),*

*Having regard to the communication from the Chairperson of the Working Party on GATS Rules (S/C/W/236),*

*Decides as follows:*

1. The first sentence of paragraph 1 of Article X shall continue to apply.
  2. Subject to the outcome of the mandate in paragraph 1, the results of such negotiations shall enter into effect on a date not later than the date of entry into force of the results of the current round of services negotiations.
  3. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of Article X, until the entry into effect of the results of the negotiations mandated under paragraph 1 of Article X, the provisions of paragraph 2 of that Article shall continue to apply.
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