

RULES OF CONDUCT FOR THE UNDERSTANDING ON RULES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Communication from the Appellate Body

The following communication, dated 20 January 1997, from the Chairman of the Appellate Body addressed to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated to Members for information.

Having taken note of the decision taken by the Dispute Settlement Body at its meeting on 3 December 1996 (WT/DSB/M/27, item 1) to adopt the Rules of Conduct for the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (the "Rules of Conduct"), (WT/DSB/RC/1, 11 December 1996), and pursuant to Rule 8(2) of the Working Procedures for Appellate Review (WT/AB/WP/1, 15 February 1996), the Appellate Body confirms that the Rules of Conduct have been directly incorporated into the Working Procedures for Appellate Review. Accordingly, the Rules of Conduct, as adopted by the Dispute Settlement Body, are made a part of, and supersede Annex II of, the Working Procedures for Appellate Review.

***NOTE CONCERNING DOCUMENT NUMBER:** This Communication was originally issued on 22 January 1997 as document WT/DSB/RC/2. For technical reasons (explained in WT/AB/WP/W/9), it has been re-issued on 4 January 2005 with two document numbers: WT/DSB/RC/2 and WT/AB/WP/W/2.