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## FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND MEXICO

### Notification from the Parties to the Agreement

The following communication, dated 22 February 2001, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Mexico and the Permanent Mission of Israel with the request that it be distributed to WTO Members.

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The Permanent Mission of Mexico to the WTO and the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations and International Organizations at Geneva, have the honour to notify to the Members of the WTO that their respective authorities have subscribed the Mexico-Israel Free Trade Agreement,<sup>1</sup> by which a free-trade area is established within the meaning of Article XXIV of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade of 1994 (GATT 1994), and which entered into force on 1 July 2000.

It is worth mentioning that this notification is presented pursuant to part (a) of paragraph 7 of Article XXIV of GATT 1994 and the Understanding on the Interpretation of Article XXIV of GATT 1994, and that both Israel and Mexico wish to express their willingness to contribute actively to the process of examination in accordance with the procedures agreed upon in the Committee on Regional Trade Agreements.

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<sup>1</sup> The text of the Agreement is circulated in document WT/REG124/1.