

**WORLD TRADE
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AD PERSONAM STATUS OF TMB MEMBERS

Decision of 27 January 1997

The Council for Trade in Goods decides as follows:

WTO Members which, pursuant to the decision of the General Council of 31 January 1995, appoint TMB members under Article 8.1 of the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing accept that TMB members discharge their function on an *ad personam* basis and not as government representatives. Consequently, they shall not give TMB members instructions, nor seek to influence them, with regard to matters before the TMB. The same applies to alternates.