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Committee on Trade-Related Investment Measures

REPORT TO THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS

1. This update to the Annual Report (2002) of the Committee on Trade-Related Investment Measures is issued in accordance with the decision taken by the General Council at its meeting on 10 February 2003 (WT/GC/M/78).

2. Since its Annual Report (2002) to the Council for Trade in Goods, the TRIMs Committee held an informal meeting on 12 June and a formal meeting on 19 June 2003. The meetings were devoted to the examination of the S&D proposals relating to the TRIMs Agreement that were submitted by the African Group and referred to the Committee by the Chairman of the General Council. At its 19 June meeting, the Committee also reviewed the status of notifications under Article 6.2 of the TRIMs Agreement, and appointed Mr. Sivaramen Palayathan (Mauritius) as its Chairperson. The minutes of the meeting have been circulated in document G/TRIMS/M/16.

3. Informal consultations are continuing on the S&D proposals referred to in paragraph 2. Pursuant to the request from the Chair of the General Council, the TRIMs Committee will submit a report on the status of these proposals to the last meeting of the General Council before the Cancún Ministerial Conference.