

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC – MEASURES AFFECTING THE IMPORTATION
AND INTERNAL SALE OF CIGARETTES**

Communication from the Appellate Body

The following communication, dated 25 April 2005, from the Chairman of the Appellate Body addressed to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 17.5 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

It is my honour to transmit to you the Report of the Appellate Body in *Dominican Republic – Measures Affecting the Importation and Internal Sale of Cigarettes*, WT/DS302/AB/R. It will be circulated to Members of the World Trade Organization at 4 p.m. today, in accordance with paragraph 5 of Article 17 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*. It is a confidential document until its circulation. The three Members of the Appellate Body who served on this appeal were: Mr. Luiz Olavo Baptista, as Presiding Member; Mr. John Lockhart and Mr. Giorgio Sacerdoti, as Members.
