# Anti-Dumping Agreement – Article 15 (Practice)

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## Developing Country Members

It is recognized that special regard must be given by developed country Members to the special situation of developing country Members when considering the application of anti-dumping measures under this Agreement. Possibilities of constructive remedies provided for by this Agreement shall be explored before applying anti-dumping duties where they would affect the essential interests of developing country Members.

### 1.2 General

Paragraph 7.2 of the Doha Ministerial Decision of 14 November 2001 on Implementation-Related Issues and Concerns states that the Ministerial Conference:

"Recognizes that, while Article 15 of the Agreement on the Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 is a mandatory provision, the modalities for its application would benefit from clarification. Accordingly, the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices is instructed, through its working group on Implementation, to examine this issue and to draw up appropriate recommendations within twelve months on how to operationalize this provision."1

The Chair of the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices has submitted a report to the General Council on the Committee's views and recommendations pursuant to the Decision on Implementation-Related Issues and Concerns.<sup>2</sup> This report refers to the Recommendation Regarding Annual Reviews of the Anti-Dumping Agreement, adopted by the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices at its meeting of 27 November 2002.<sup>3</sup> Paragraph 3 of this recommendation provides for regular reporting by Members on fulfilment of obligations under Article 15 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 (Anti-Dumping Agreement):

"Developed country Members should include, when reporting anti-dumping actions in the semi-annual report that Members are required to submit under Article 16.4, the manner in which the obligations of Article 15 have been fulfilled. Without prejudice to the scope and application of Article 15, price undertakings and lesser duty rules are examples of constructive remedies that could be included in such Members' semi-annual reports. The Committee's annual report under Article 18.6 should include, in a separate table, a compilation of the information reported by each Member in this respect during the reporting period. Where a Member has not provided such information, the report should note this omission."4

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<u>G/ADP/9</u>, para. 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WT/MIN(01)/17, para. 7.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>G/ADP/11</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> G/ADP/M/23, paras. 3-5. The text of the recommendation can be found in G/ADP/9.