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Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices Informal Group on Anti-Circumvention

CONVENING NOTICE

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE ON ANTI-DUMPING PRACTICES INFORMAL GROUP ON ANTI-CIRCUMVENTION

Meeting on 30 October 2024

The next meeting of the **Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices: Informal Group on Anti--Circumvention** will be held on **Wednesday, 30 October 2024,** starting immediately after the regular meeting of the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices. The meeting will take place **in person** at the Centre William Rappard (WTO building) and via **Interprefy**.

1 AGREED TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED¹

"Ways and Means to address Anti-circumvention".

(Legal framework and definition)

- 1. Are there any laws or regulations governing anti-circumvention procedures? If so, which ones? When are they enacted and/or entered into force?
- 2. How does your regulation define circumvention of trade measures?

For Members who have laws or regulations governing anti-circumvention proceedings:

(Procedures and Implementation)

- Which authority in your country has jurisdiction over anti-circumvention proceedings? If different agencies within your government are involved in managing different aspects of anti-circumvention proceedings, please identify each agency involved and explain the role played by each entity.
- 4. What is the procedure for initiating anti-circumvention proceedings in your country? When can a circumvention complaint be filed? Who can file a complaint? What evidence is required for your authority to initiate an investigation?
- 5. How are circumvention investigations conducted in your country (e.g., questionnaires, audits, length of investigation, involvement of other interested parties)? Do you conduct the anti-circumvention proceeding with regard to an individual company or on a country-wide basis?
- 6. Could you share the number of anti-circumvention investigations conducted in your country and its impact on your authority's resource?

¹ Please note that in 1997, Members agreed upon a framework for continued discussions of the issue of anti-circumvention, identifying the following three broad areas of discussion. (See <u>G/ADP/W/404</u> as well as <u>G/ADP/M/10</u>, para. 110.):

what constitutes circumvention?

what is being done by members confronted with what they consider to be circumvention?

⁻ to what extent can circumvention be dealt with under the relevant WTO rules? To what extent can it not? And what other options may be deemed necessary?

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- 7. How are circumvention proceedings noticed to the public (e.g., authority website, national gazette)?
- 8. Is there a review process or possibility of judicial review of a circumvention finding? How does this process work?

(Issues and challenges)

9. Having conducted anti-circumvention investigations, do you have any advice to offer to other WTO members (main challenges, best practices, impacts etc.)?

2 ORGANIZATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

Documents for the meeting:	RD/ADP/IG/8*
	Documents Online – Download documents for meetings
	WTO Calendar
Relevant digital tools:	⊠ Not applicable □ Yes:
Venue and virtual participation:	The meeting will take place in person at the Centre William Rappard (WTO building) and via Interprefy.
Observer Organizations:	Members of the WTO and other Governments with Observer status are requested to inform the Secretariat of the names of their representatives as soon as possible.
Resources for delegates:	ADP Committee Gateway page
	(For the full details/features of the webpage, please use your credentials to log in)
Contact point:	Rules Division, <u>hiromi.yano@wto.org;</u> <u>anne.richards@wto.org;</u> judith.mcgrath@wto.org; <u>suzanne.kerleau@wto.org</u>
Additional information:	The meeting may need to be extended beyond 18:00 hours on 30 October.

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