

DECISION ON IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GATT DISPUTE SETTLEMENT RULES AND PROCEDURES

The Ministers,

Recalling the CONTRACTING PARTIES' Decision of 12 April 1989,

Noting that the improvements to the GATT dispute settlement rules and procedures are being applied on a trial basis until the end of the Uruguay Round and that a decision on their adoption should be taken before the end of the Round,

Considering that the continuation of the improved rules and procedures is necessary for the effectiveness of the dispute settlement mechanism,

Decide,

To invite the CONTRACTING PARTIES to keep the above-mentioned improvements in effect until the entry into force of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes contained in Annex 2 of the Agreement Establishing the Multilateral Trade Organization.