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concerning measures relating to judicial and administrative assistance. The adopted conclusion, states that none of the provisions of the GATS would apply to such measures. 2

1.2.2 Measures relating to the entry and stay of natural persons

2. At its meeting of 1 March 1995, the Council for Trade in Services adopted a conclusion of the Sub-Committee on Services concerning measures relating to the entry and stay of natural persons.³ The Sub-Committee had dealt with the question of the basis on which a distinction between "temporary" and "permanent" residency and employment should be made. The Sub-Committee ultimately decided that the commitments set out in the individual countries' schedules were sufficiently clear, so that there was no need for further multilateral work on this issue.⁴

1.2.3 Electronic commerce

3. At its meeting of 25 September 1998, the General Council adopted the Work Programme on Electronic Commerce, which mandated the Council for Trade in Services to examine and report on the treatment of electronic commerce in the GATS legal framework.⁵

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¹ <u>S/C/M/1</u>, paras. 14-15.

² <u>S/C/1</u>, para. 6.

³ <u>S/C/M/1</u>, para. 14.

⁴ <u>S/C/1</u>, para. 6.

⁵ <u>WT/GC/M/30</u>, section 4. The adopted Work Programme can be found in <u>WT/L/274</u>. With respect to the 1999 Interim Report to the General Council, see <u>S/C/M/34</u>, Section A. With respect to the 1999 Progress Report, which discusses, , the issue of public telecommunications transport networks and services within the context of the Work Programme on Electronic Commerce, see <u>S/L/74</u>.