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1 ARTICLE 8

1.1 Text of Article 8

> 1. A Member proposing to apply a safeguard measure or seeking an extension of a safeguard measure shall endeavour to maintain a substantially equivalent level of concessions and other obligations to that existing under GATT 1994 between it and the exporting Members which would be affected by such a measure, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3 of Article 12. To achieve this oeo3Td[8n (o3Td[8n (o3T-7.-4.7 n (o3Td[6,.016

application of a safeguard measure is a necessary precondition under both Article 8.2 of the Agreement on Safeguards and Article XIX:3(a) of the GATT 1994 for this right to become available to affected Members."[11]

1.4 Article 8.3

1.4.1 "absolute increase in imports"

8. Regarding the analysis of absolute or relative increases in imports, see the Section on Article 2.1 of the Agreement on Safeguards.

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[11] Panel Report, , paras. 7.33 and 7.43. See also Panel Report, , paras. 7.66 and 7.76.