

Undertaking by the European Commission to the Committee on Internal Market and Consumer Protection (IMCO) and the European Parliament

"The Commission declares that, with a view to ensuring that business operators in the European Union are not placed at a competitive disadvantage to business operators outside of it, it will involve business representatives and trade federations in the legislative process leading to the adoption of the implementing provisions to the amendment of the Community Customs Code, including those where facilitations resulting from international agreements may be granted, by

- publishing relevant documents and draft legal texts for meetings of the Customs Code Committee, on the EUROPA website, so that traders and trade federations can make their views known to the Commission and the Committee before a decision is taken;
- regular consultation on specific issues with the Trade Contact Group, already established and made up from representative European trade federations; and
- by the involvement of representative trade experts in committee proceedings, in accordance with Article 9 of the rules for the committee procedure."