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## HARMONIZED SYSTEM COMMITTEE

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31<sup>th</sup> Session

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## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE HARMONIZED SYSTEM COMMITTEE AT ITS 30<sup>th</sup> SESSION

(Item II.3 on Agenda)

## Reference documents:

NC00655E2 (HSC/30 - Report)

NG0045E1 (HSC/30)

- The Annex to Doc. NG0045E1 listed the decisions of the Harmonized System Committee's 30<sup>th</sup> Session to be approved under the procedure laid down in Article 8.2 of the Harmonized System Convention.
- 2. The period of two months allowed for lodging a request that any of these decisions be referred to the Council or directly back to the HSC for re-examination (see Council Decision No. 298) expired on 31 January 2003.
- 3. By that date, two such requests had been lodged:
  - One by the US Administration concerning the "<u>classification of the "Media Composer 1000"</u>" (Doc. NC0655E2/G/2).
  - One by the US, Canadian, Japanese and Mexican Administrations concerning decision that ""photocopying" is not limited to the projection of an image onto a photosensitive surface and present heading 90.09 covers digital copying" (Doc. NC0655E2/G/3).
- 4. The US and the Japanese Administrations requested that their questions be referred to the Council. The Canadian Administration requested that their question be referred directly back to the HSC and the Mexican Administration did not specify the course of action to be taken.

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- 5. In accordance with Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure of the HSC, the two questions will be referred to the Council at its 101<sup>st</sup>/102<sup>nd</sup> Sessions in June 2003.
- 6. The other decisions listed in the Annex to Doc. NG0045E1 are deemed to have been approved and the Secretariat is making arrangements for the necessary implementation which will be reflected in the following Amending Supplements:
  - (a) Explanatory Notes: Amending Supplement No. 3.
  - (b) Compendium of Classification Opinions and its Annex : Amending Supplement No. 32.