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REPORT TO THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS ON CHINA'S TRANSITIONAL REVIEW

- 1. The Committee on Market Access, at its meeting on 23 September 2002, conducted the first transitional review of China pursuant to Section 18 of the Protocol on the Accession of the People's Republic of China (WT/L/432). Preparations in connection with Section 18 of the Protocol were discussed at the meeting of the Committee on 12 June 2002 where it was agreed that the first transitional review would take place at the regular meeting of the Committee scheduled for 23 September 2002 (G/MA/M/32, paragraphs 12.1 to 12.4).
- 2. For the meeting of 23 September 2002, the following documentation was circulated in connection with China's transitional review: information submitted by China was circulated in documents G/MA/W/39 and G/MA/W/41; questions put to China by the European Communities, Japan, US, Canada and France were circulated in documents G/MA/W/33, 34, 35, 36 and 40, respectively; and China's questions to Argentina, European Communities, Hungary, Mexico, Poland, Slovak Republic and Turkey were circulated in document G/MA/W/38.
- 3. The statements made at the meeting of 23 September 2002, where discussions under the transitional review took place, are reflected in the minutes of the meeting (G/MA/M/33, paragraphs 8.1 to 8.66).