

Article 36.—Marks of Origin

Members are obliged to work in co-operation through the Organization towards the early elimination of unnecessary marking requirements. Steps are also to be taken towards the prevention of the use of trade names so as to mis-represent the regional or geographical origin of a product.

Article 37.—Publication and Administration of Trade Regulations

The object of this Article is, first, to provide for prompt publication of laws, regulations, and decisions concerning the classification and valuation of goods for duty purposes or affecting regulation of imports or exports, &c., so that governments and traders may become acquainted with them, and, secondly, to ensure that Members maintain procedures allowing for review of administrative action in customs matters.

Article 38.—Information, Statistics, and Trade Terminology

The Organization is to act as a centre for the collection, exchange, and publication of statistical information relating to trade, and Members will be obliged to communicate the necessary information to the Organization.

Article 39.—Boycotts

Members will be obliged not to encourage, support, or participate in boycotts or other campaigns against the products of other Members.

SECTION F.—SPECIAL PROVISIONS. (Articles 40–43)

Article 40.—Emergency Action on Imports of Particular Products

This Article provides the main escape clause in the event of a tariff reduction or other concession resulting in an increase of imports of a product either to the serious detriment of domestic producers or, in the case of a reduction in a preference, to the producers of the Member which receives or received such preference.

Prior consultation with interested Members is provided for except in critical circumstances, although if action is taken provisionally without consultation subsequent consultation shall be effected without delay.

If agreement is not reached among the interested Members, action may still be taken by the importing Member, but subject to such retaliatory action by the exporting Member as is not disapproved by the Organization.

Article 41.—Consultation

Members are obliged to accord sympathetic consideration to, and afford adequate opportunity for consultation regarding, such representations as may be made by any other Member with respect to all matters affecting the operation of Chapter IV.