

Council Regulation (EC) No 2501/2001 of 10 December 2001 applying a scheme of generalised tariff preferences for the period from 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2004

TITLE V

**TEMPORARY WITHDRAWAL AND SAFEGUARD PROVISIONS**

*Article 29*

- 1 The Commission shall submit a report on its findings to the Committee.
- 2 Where the Commission considers that the findings do not justify temporary withdrawal, it shall decide, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 39, to terminate the investigation. In that case, the Commission shall publish a notice in the Official Journal of the *Official Journal of the European Communities*, announcing the termination of the investigation and setting out its main conclusions.
- 3 Where the Commission considers that the findings justify temporary withdrawal for the reason referred to in Article 26 (1)(b), it shall decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 39, to monitor and evaluate the situation in the beneficiary country concerned for a period of six months. The Commission shall notify this decision to the beneficiary country concerned and shall publish a notice in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*, announcing that it intends to submit a proposal to the Council for temporary withdrawal, unless, before the end of the period, the beneficiary country concerned made a commitment to take the measures necessary to conform, in a reasonable period of time, with the principles referred to in the 1998 ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.
- 4 Where the Commission considers temporary withdrawal to be necessary, it shall submit an appropriate proposal to the Council, which shall decide within 30 days by a qualified majority.
- 5 Where at the end of the period referred to in paragraph 3, the Commission finds that the beneficiary country concerned has not made the required commitment, and where it considers temporary withdrawal necessary, it shall submit an appropriate proposal to the Council, which shall decide within 30 days by a qualified majority. Where the Council decides on temporary withdrawal, such decision shall enter into force six months after it was taken, unless it is decided before then that the reasons justifying it no longer prevail.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Regulation (EC) No 2501/2001, Article 29.