

It will substitute for working parties a series of public hearings to be held in April/May 1978 preceded by an initial inquiry to be held between November 1977 and January 1978. The consultative approach which has characterised the inquiry will be continued and there will be private discussions with interested parties either in confidential hearings or in other less formal meetings.

3. For the initial inquiry to be held between November 1977 and January 1978, the Commission requests submissions from interested parties on the questions set out in the Schedule to this notice. Submissions should deal with the questions in the context of the product groups with which the party is concerned and in the broader context of the whole reference. To assist in the preparation of these submissions, a list of assumptions common to all industry inquiries covering variables such as population, labour force, gross national product, balance of payments and terms of trade will be available from the Commission early in November.

4. Any person who intends to make such submissions should provide, in typewritten form, 12 copies of public submissions and twelve copies of confidential submissions to reach the Commission's office not later than 28 November 1977. The Commission will welcome submissions from individuals or companies as distinct from and in addition to those of industry or trade groups, even if the individual or company concerned is party to an industry or trade group submission.

5. There will be no public hearing in respect of this inquiry, the object of which is to enable the Commission to prepare a set of guidelines for submissions for the series of public hearings to be held in April/May 1978. The Commission will, instead, after examining the submissions, arrange whatever consultations it considers appropriate. The set of guidelines for the April/May hearings will be available from the Commission in January 1978.

6. The programme for the April/May 1978 hearings and the closing dates for submissions will be notified in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 17 November 1977 and in the principal newspapers.

Dated at Wellington this 27th day of October 1977.

J. E. CRANSHAW,

Secretary, Industries Development Commission.

P.O. Box 27046.

#### SCHEDULE

(1) **Demand:** What factors are expected to influence demand in New Zealand (apart from the basic common assumptions which will be notified later) over the next ten years? For example a trend toward reduction in the proportion of personal expenditure on clothing suggests that the growth in

demand over the next ten years will not be the same as in the past ten years. Another example is a possible swing towards the use of natural fibres.

(2) **Production:** What factors should be taken into account in assessing the potential of the industry over the next ten years?

(3) **Development:** What is the desirable direction of development over the next ten years?

(4) **Impediments:** What are the impediments to development over the next ten years—legal, financial, economic, social, technological, and manpower? What is required to stimulate development over the next ten years? What type of long term action by industry itself and the Government should be considered?

(5) **Rationalisation of production:** Where should the emphasis be put on vertical integration and where on horizontal specialisation? For example should dyeing and finishing be in the hands of commission operators? Should there be expansion or contraction in any particular areas?

(6) **Indigenous raw materials:** Should a policy preference be given to products incorporating indigenous raw materials?

(7) **Substitutability:** What should be the general rules for deciding on the extent to which different fibres and/or fabric constructions are substitutes? For example, synthetics for wool and knitted fabrics for woven.

(8) **Overseas investment:** Is overseas investment desirable as an aid to marketing, research and development in existing industries and new industries? If so, to what extent and under what conditions of ownership?

(9) **Regional development attitudes:** What have been and are expected to be the effects of the geographic spread of productive capacity on the industry? Do you agree that in normal circumstances it must be the prerogative of industry to determine the place of establishment best suited to it? Do you agree with the policy on national pricing? What have been and are expected to be the effects of national delivered prices?

(10) **Environmental controls:** What have been and are expected to be the effects of environmental controls?

(11) **Tariff structure:** Should the classification variations from the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature be retained, amended or removed? Some variations are the 186 g/m<sup>2</sup> demarcation in fabrics containing discontinuous fibre; fabric containing any proportion of wool being regarded as predominantly of wool; and the special duty provisions for fabric assembled by sewing, gumming or otherwise.

(12) **Other major considerations:** Are there any other questions of general significance to the industry which should be included in the guidelines?

#### Import Control Exemption Notice (No. 10) 1977

PURSUANT to regulation 17 of the Import Control Regulations 1973\*, the Minister of Trade and Industry hereby gives notice as follows:

1. (a) This notice may be cited as the Import Control Exemption Notice (No. 10) 1977.

(b) This notice shall come into effect on the day after the date of its notification in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

2. Goods of the class described in the Schedule hereto and falling within the Customs Tariff Items specified in relation thereto and which are imported from and are the produce or manufacture of any country are hereby exempted from the requirement of a licence or permit under the said regulations.

#### SCHEDULE

##### Tariff Items

##### Class of Goods

10.01.001 Crop and herbage seeds included in the New Zealand Schedules of Acceptable Cultivars and approved for exemption by the Minister or by the holder of the office of Assistant Secretary (Industries) of the Department of Trade and Industry.

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Dated at Wellington this 25th day of October 1977.

L. R. ADAMS-SCHNEIDER, Minister of Trade and Industry.

\*S.R. 1973/86

EXPLANATORY NOTE: This notice gives effect to the decision of the Cabinet Economic Committee that seeds included in the New Zealand Schedules of Acceptable Cultivars should be exempted from import control.