

## An Introduction to International Trade Law

**First Semester 2005-2006**  
**Interdisciplinary Center, Faculty of Law**  
**Visiting Professor Colin Picker**

In addition to the official readings assigned below, I will also provide in class an alternative set of readings using an English text.

### **Thursday November 10: Introduction to the Class, the GATT and WTO**

Dr. Arie Reich, *The World Trade Organization: From GATT to the WTO* in THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review the WTO Agreements, paying particular attention to the GATT 1947, available at:

[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm#goods](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm#goods) (*in English*).

### **Thursday November 17: International Trade Dispute Settlement**

Professor Joseph H.H. Weiler, *The Rule of Lawyers and the Ethos of Diplomats: Reflections on the Internal and External Legitimacy of WTO Dispute Settlement* in THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review WTO's Dispute Settlement Understanding at:

[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm#goods](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm#goods)

### **Thursday November 24: MFN, Tariffs, and National Treatment**

Review WTO's GATT 1947's Article I, II and III, and the Agreement on Valuations at:

[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

### **Thursday December 1: Safeguards, Escape Clauses, & Adjustment Assistance**

Gil Nadel, *Safeguard Measures for the Protection of Local Industry: Israel's Failure to Implement the WTO Agreement on Safeguards*, in THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review The WTO's Safeguards Agreement at:  
[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

**Thursday December 8: Dumping and Anti-Dumping**

Arie Reich, *Reform of the Anti-Dumping and Subsidy Agreements – Lessons from the Israeli Experience*, in THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review WTO's Agreement on Antidumping and the Valuations Agreement at:  
[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

**Thursday December 15: Subsidies and Countervailing duties**

Avi Nov, *Tax Incentives Contrary to the World Trade Organization's Agreements: The FSC Case and its Implications for the Law in Israel*, in THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review WTO's Subsidies and Countervailing Measures Agreement at:  
[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

**Thursday December 22: Trade In Services**

Dr. Rachel Frid, *Liberalization and Juridification of Trade in Services within GATS: The Accountancy Sector*, in THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review WTO's General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) at:  
[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

**Thursday December 29: The WTO Agreement on Agriculture**

Dr. Moshe Hirsch, *Trade in Agricultural Products, Political Economy, and Israel's Trade Policy*, in THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review WTO's Agreement on Agriculture at:  
[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

**Thursday January 5: GATT Art. XXIV: RTAs – The NAFTA, US-Israel, etc**

Review:

THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT/THE WORLD BANK, GLOBAL ECONOMIC PROSPECTS: TRADE REGIONALISM, & DEVELOPMENT (Nov. 2004), available at <http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTGEP2005/Resources/gep2005.pdf>

Article XXIV of the GATT 1947 with the Agreement on the Understanding of Article XXIV in the GATT 1994 at: [http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

The NAFTA, available at: <http://www.nafta-sec-alena.org/DefaultSite/index.html>

Israel Free Trade Agreement (Aug. 19, 1985) available at: [http://www.mac.doc.gov/tcc/data/commerce\\_html/TCC\\_Documents/IsraelFreeTrade.html](http://www.mac.doc.gov/tcc/data/commerce_html/TCC_Documents/IsraelFreeTrade.html)

**Thursday January 12: GATT Art. XXI & Art. XX**

Review:

WTO Case: *United States - Measures Affecting the Cross-Border Supply of Gambling and Betting Services - AB-2005-1 - Report of the Appellate Body*, at: [http://www.wto.org/english/tratop\\_e/dispu\\_e/cases\\_e/ds285\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/dispu_e/cases_e/ds285_e.htm)

Articles XX and XXI of the GATT 1947 at: [http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

**Thursday January 19: Non-Trade Issues: Environ't, Labor, & Human Rights**

Dr. Oren Perez, *Free Trade and the Environment: Critique and Possible Lessons for the WTO and the Mediterranean Free Trade Zone*, in *THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS* (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review NAFTA Side Agreements (Environment and Labor) at [http://www.mac.doc.gov/nafta/nafta\\_side.html](http://www.mac.doc.gov/nafta/nafta_side.html)

**Thursday January 26: Developing Countries and International Trade**

Marcia Don Harpaz, *Israeli Policy vis-a-vis the Doha Round: An Insider's View*, in *THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS* (Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available at the library) (*in Hebrew*).

Review Part IV of the GATT 1947, at:  
[http://www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm)

**Thursday February 2: Israel and the WTO, OECD and Other International  
Economic Organizations**

Arie Reich, *The History of Israel's participation in the GATT and the WTO*, in  
THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND ISRAEL: LAW, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS  
(Arie Reich, ed.) (Bar Ilan University Press, forthcoming) (Page proofs available  
at the library) (*in Hebrew*).