USTR currently seeks nominations related to the list of non-governmental individuals. The existing roster of nongovernmental individuals needs to be expanded to encompass new subject areas covered by the WTO, such as intellectual property and services, and to prepare for a potential increase in the number of dispute settlement panels established under the DSU. Members of the WTO may periodically nominate persons to be included on the roster, subject to DSB approval. Inclusion of a name on the roster, however, does not necessarily mean that the individual will be selected for service on a panel. U.S. citizens, for example, are not permitted to serve on panels in which the United States is a party unless the other party to the dispute agrees.

The Decision on Certain Dispute Settlement Procedures for the GATS requires that panels for GATS disputes include specific expertise on individual sectors. GATS disputes could involve the following eleven sectors: (1) Professional and related technical services, including, for example, legal, accounting, auditing and bookkeeping, taxation, medical, dental and veterinary services, engineering, architectural, urban planning services, computer and related services, research and development services, real estate services, rental and leasing services, advertising and management services; (2) communication services; (3) construction and related engineering services; (4) distribution services; (5) educational services; (6) environmental services; (7) financial services, including insurance and insurancerelated services, banking and securities services: (8) health-related and social services; (9) tourism and travel-related services; (10) recreational, cultural and sporting services (other than audiovisual services); and (11) transport services.

Panels for GATS disputes are to be composed of well-qualified governmental and non-governmental individuals who have experience in issues related to GATS and/or trade in services, including associated regulatory matters. Dispute settlement panels concerning sectoral matters under the GATS must have expertise relevant to the specific service sector to which the dispute relates.

WTO dispute settlement panels consist of three persons, unless the parties agree to have five panelists, whose function is to make an objective assessment of the matter under dispute, including an objective assessment of the facts of the case, the applicability of the relevant WTO agreements and the conformity of the measure under consideration with the obligations of those agreements. In addition, panels are to make such other findings as will assist the DSB in making the recommendations provided for in the WTO agreements.

Panelists must act in strict conformity with the provisions of the WTO agreements, including application of the appropriate standard of review. Panels are responsible for providing a report to the DSB, including recommendations if necessary, on the conformity of the matter under dispute with WTO obligations. Panelists must also comply with rules relating to conflicts of interest and conduct as a panelist.

### **Procedures for Application**

Non-governmental U.S. citizens (i.e., individuals not currently employed fulltime by the U.S. Federal government or a state or local government) possessing expertise in international trade, services, intellectual property rights or other matters covered by the WTO agreements are invited to file an application for nomination to the roster.

Applications must be typewritten and submitted along with five copies to Sybia Harrison, Room 223, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20506. Applicants are to provide the following information to the extent applicable:

1. Name of the applicant

2. Business address, telephone number and, if available, fax number 3. Citizenship(s)

4. Current employment, including title, description of responsibilities, and

name and address of employer 5. Relevant education and professional training, including particular service-sector expertise, if any

6. Post-education employment history, including the dates and address of each prior position and a summary of responsibilities

7. Relevant professional affiliations and certifications

8. List of publications and speeches, including a copy of speeches and publications relevant to the subject matter of the WTO agreements or service sector

9. List of international trade proceedings or domestic proceedings relating to international trade (WTO) matters in which the person has provided advice or otherwise participated, including judicial or administrative proceedings over which that person has presided

10. A short statement of qualifications, including information relevant to the applicant's familiarity with international trade, services or other issues covered by the WTO agreements, and availability for service

11. Names, addresses, telephone and, if available, fax numbers of three individuals authorized to provide information to USTR concerning the applicant's qualifications for service, including the applicant's familiarity with international trade laws and other areas of expertise, character, reliability and judgment.

Information provided by applicants will be used by USTR for the purpose of selecting candidates for nomination to the WTO roster. Further information concerning potential conflicts may be requested from individuals and the possibility of significant conflicts will be taken into consideration in evaluating applicants.

USTR will contact applicants that qualify for further consideration as nominees regarding any additional information that may be required.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. Requesting Permanent Approval of Its Competing Specialist Initiative

February 22, 1995.

Pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1), notice is hereby given that on February 6, 1995, the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. ("BSE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

## I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The BSE seeks permanent approval of its Competing Specialist Initiative. Specifically, the rules proposed for adoption are: Additions are *italicized* and deletions are [bracketed].

Chapter XV—Specialists

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