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Enlightened Environmentalism or Disguised Protectionism? Assessing the Impact of EU Precaution-Based Standards on Developing Countries

This paper was prepared for the National Foreign Trade Council, Inc. by Lawrence A. Kogan, and is the third study by NFTC.

The purpose behind this third NFTC study is to identify and explain how the EU strategy for employing the Precautionary Principle adversely affects developing country prospects for economic growth, poverty alleviation, social advancement and environmental protection. It is generally agreed that developing country government institutions and industries generally lack the experience and financial resources necessary to comply with overly stringent health and safety and environmental regulations and standards that serve as de facto barriers to trade.

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Looking Behind the Curtain: The Growth of Trade Barriers that Ignore Sound Science

This paper by the NFTC provides input to the debate on whether national standards and technical regulations are used to hamper free trade. The authors outline an increase in trade barriers, which they

claim ignore sound science. Using examples ranging from beef to computers, the NFTC paper argues that a deliberate strategy to invoke the need for 'precaution' in order to protect ailing or lagging industries and block market access has been put in place.

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EU Regulation, Standardization and the Precautionary Principle: The Art of Crafting a Three-Dimensional Trade Strategy That Ignores Sound Science

This paper will appear in modified form as a forthcoming Working Paper entitled, Unscientific "Precaution": Europe's Campaign To Erect New Foreign Trade Barriers, to be published by the Washington Legal Foundation on September 5, 2003.

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