

**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.5 OF THE
AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON THE
RESULTS OF CONSULTATIONS**

UNITED STATES

The following communication, dated 21 July 1999, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the United States.

Pursuant to Article 12.5 of the Agreement on Safeguards, and in light of the agreed format for notifications (G/SG/1, dated 1 July 1996), the United States provides the following notification to the Council for Trade in Goods on the results of Article 12.3 consultations on a proposed safeguard measure on imports of fresh, chilled, or frozen lamb meat, provided for in subheadings 0204.10.00, 0204.22.20, 0204.23.20, 0204.30.00, 0204.42.20 and 0204.43.20 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.

1. Specify the provision under which the consultations were held (i.e. Article 12.3 or Article 12.4)

Article 12.3.

2. Provide reference to the WTO document that notified the safeguard action regarding which consultations were held under Article 12.3 or 12.4

Notifications under Article 12.1(c) and Article 9, footnote 2, of the Agreement on Safeguards on taking a decision to apply a safeguard measure (G/SG/N/10/USA/3 and G/SG/N/11/USA/3, dated 9 July 1999, and circulated to Members on 12 July 1999).

3. Specify the Members involved in the consultations, and provide the time period during which the consultations were held

Australia and the United States:	4 May 1999	(Geneva)
	14 July 1999	(Washington)
New Zealand and the United States:	28 April 1999	(Geneva)
	14 July 1999	(Washington)

4. Describe the results of the consultations

The United States described the relevant provisions of US law and the implementation requirements of the proposed safeguard action. The United States also responded to a number of questions on the factors considered in arriving at a determination to take action. The other Members expressed their view that no action should be taken against their exports. No mutually satisfactory resolution was reached.
