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NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.5 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON THE RESULTS OF CONSULTATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 12.3

UNITED STATES

The following communication, dated 3 May 2000, 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, 1 July 1996), the United States provides the following notification to the Council for Trade in Goods.

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

Consultations were held regarding the following notifications by the United States under Articles 12.1(b) and 12.1(c) of the Agreement on Safeguards:

G/SG/N/8/USA/4, 26 May 1999; G/SG/N/8/USA/4/Suppl.1; 23 July 1999
G/SG/N/8/USA/4/Suppl.2, 6 August 1999; G/SG/N/10/USA/4, 18 February 2000

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

Japan and the United States: 13 September 1999 (Washington)

European Community and the United States: 16 September 1999 and 28 February 2000 (Washington)

4. Describe the results of the consultations

At the consultations on 13 and 16 September 1999, the United States described its notifications under Article 12.1(b). Japan and the European Community respectively expressed concerns regarding the injury analysis and remedy recommendations of the United States

International Trade Commission. These Members also expressed the view that the United States should take no action. The United States responded to a number of questions from Japan and the European Community regarding US law. No mutually satisfactory resolution was reached. At the consultations with the European Community on 28 February 2000, the United States described its notification of a proposed measure under Article 12.1(c) and responded to questions from European Community regarding operational aspects of the proposed measure. No mutually satisfactory resolution was reached.
