

**EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES - ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON IMPORTS
OF COTTON-TYPE BED LINEN FROM INDIA**

Recourse to Article 21.5 of the DSU by India

Communication from the Chairman of the Panel

The following communication, dated 19 August 2002, addressed to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.5 of the DSU.

Article 21.5 of the DSU stipulates that a panel considering the existence or consistency with a covered agreement of measures taken to comply with the recommendations and rulings of the DSB shall circulate its report within 90 days after the date of referral of the matter to it.

Article 21.5 of the DSU further states that when a panel considers that it cannot provide its report within this time frame, it shall inform the DSB in writing of the reasons for the delay together with an estimate of the period within which it will submit its report.

The matter *European Communities - Anti-Dumping Duties on Imports of Cotton-Type Bed Linen from India - Recourse to Article 21.5 of the DSU by India* was referred to the original Panel by the DSB on 22 May 2002. Due to the inability of one of the original panelists to participate, the Panel was re-composed on 25 June 2002.

It will not be possible for the Panel to complete its work in 90 days in light of the delay resulting from the need to re-compose the Panel, and scheduling conflicts.

The Panel expects to complete its work in November 2002, depending on translation.
