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Communication from the Appellate Body

The following communication, dated 2 January 2002, from Mr. James Bacchus, Chairman of the Appellate Body, addressed to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 17.5 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

It is my honour to transmit to you the Report of the Appellate Body in *United States – Section 211 Omnibus Appropriation Act of 1998*, WT/DS176/AB/R. It will be circulated to Members of the World Trade Organization later today, in accordance with paragraph 5 of Article 17 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*. It is a confidential document until its circulation. The three Members of the Appellate Body who served on this appeal were: Mr. Claus-Dieter Ehlermann as Presiding Member; Mr. Julio Lacarte-Muró and myself, as Members.