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**UNITED STATES – ANTI-DUMPING MEASURES ON  
CERTAIN HOT-ROLLED STEEL PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN**

Status Report by the United States

Addendum

The following communication, dated 6 December 2002, from the Permanent Mission of the United States to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

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Status Report Regarding Implementation of the  
DSB Recommendations and Rulings in the Dispute  
United States – Anti-Dumping Measures on  
Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Products from Japan  
(WT/DS184)

The United States submits this report in accordance with Article 21.6 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

On 23 August 2001, the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) adopted its recommendations and rulings in *United States - Anti-Dumping Measures on Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Products from Japan* (WT/DS184). At the following DSB meeting on 10 September 2001, the United States informed the DSB of its intention to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in connection with this matter. At that time, the United States also advised the DSB that a "reasonable period of time" would be required to complete this process. On 19 February 2002, an arbitrator found that 15 months, or until 23 November 2002, constituted a reasonable time for implementation.

The United States is pleased to report that, on 22 November 2002, the US Department of Commerce issued a new final determination in the hot-rolled steel antidumping duty investigation, which implements the recommendations and rulings of the DSB with respect to the calculation of antidumping margins in that investigation. Specifically, consistent with those recommendations and rulings, the new final determination: (1) uses information supplied by two companies that was originally rejected as "untimely"; (2) removes the adverse facts available applied to another respondent with respect to certain unreported US sales, and bases the margin entirely on reported US sales information; (3) applies an even-handed arm's length test to select home market sales as a basis for normal value; and (4) calculates an "all others" rate that is below the Anti-Dumping Agreement "ceiling", as found by the Appellate Body.

With respect to the recommendations and rulings of the DSB related to the US antidumping duty statute, the US Administration continues to consult and to work with the Congress on resolving this aspect of the dispute in a mutually satisfactory manner. For this reason, after consultations with Japan, the United States requested that the "reasonable period of time" in this dispute be extended

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until 31 December 2003, or until the end of the first session of the next Congress, whichever is earlier.  
That request was approved by the DSB at its meeting of 5 December 2002.

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