

**UNITED STATES – DEFINITIVE SAFEGUARD MEASURES ON IMPORTS OF
CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON QUALITY LINE PIPE FROM KOREA**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Japan

The following communication, dated 23 June 2000, from the Permanent Mission of Japan to the Permanent Mission of the United States, the Permanent Mission of Korea and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), the Government of Japan hereby notifies the Government of the United States that, in light of the substantial trade interest of Japan it desires to be joined in the consultations requested by the Republic of Korea in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 15 June 2000 (WT/DS202/1, G/L/388, G/SG/D10/1) entitled "United States – Definitive Safeguard Measures on Imports of Circular Welded Carbon Quality Line Pipe from Korea".

Japan has a substantial trade interest in the matter that is the subject of the request by Korea in light of the large trade volume between Japan and the United States.
