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Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Guatemala

The following communication, dated 15 March 1999, from the Permanent Mission of Guatemala to the Permanent Mission of the United States, the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I have the honour to refer to the request for consultations addressed by the Permanent Delegation of the European Communities to the United States under Article XXII:1 of the GATT 1994 and Article 4 of the DSU in document WT/DS165/1, circulated to all Members of the World Trade Organization on 5 March 1999.

This request for consultations concerns the implementation of the conclusions and recommendations of the Panel and Appellate Body reports in *European Communities – Regime for the Import, Sale and Distribution of Bananas (WT/DS/27)*. As a complainant in that trade dispute, Guatemala has a substantial trade interest in the matter. Accordingly, the Government of Guatemala requests to be joined in the above-mentioned consultations pursuant to Article XXII of the GATT 1994 and Article 4, paragraph 11, of the DSU.