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Status Report by the European Communities

Addendum

The following communication, dated 4 October 2001, from the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Status Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations and Rulings in the Dispute regarding European Communities – Regime for the Importation,
Sale and Distribution of Bananas

The European Communities are continuing to work actively on the legal instruments that are required, at internal level as well as WTO level, for the management of the three tariff rate quotas after 1 January 2002.

Regrettably, in the short time frame lapsed since the last DSB meeting, no progress has been made on the waiver requests submitted by the EC and the ACP States. Should no progress happen at the next meeting of the Council for Trade in Goods on 5 October 2001, the EC and the ACP States would obviously be forced to reassess the situation in all its aspects.