

**UNITED STATES – MEASURES AFFECTING THE CROSS-BORDER SUPPLY
OF GAMBLING AND BETTING SERVICES**

Request from Antigua and Barbuda for Arbitration under Article 21.3(c) of the DSU

The following communication, dated 6 June 2005, from the delegation of Antigua and Barbuda to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

On 20 April 2005, the Dispute Settlement Body (the "DSB") of the World Trade Organization (the "WTO") adopted the Appellate Body Report and the Panel Report in *United States – Measures Affecting the Cross-Border Supply of Gambling and Betting Services* (WT/DS285/AB/R and WT/DS285/R).

At the DSB meeting of 19 May 2005, the United States announced that it would require a reasonable period of time to comply with the recommendations and rulings of the DSB. Unfortunately, Antigua and Barbuda and the United States have been unable to agree on a reasonable period of time.

As a result, Antigua and Barbuda requests that the reasonable period of time be determined through binding arbitration pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the WTO's Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (the "DSU") within 90 days after the adoption of the recommendations and rulings. According to our calculations, this date would be 19 July 2005.

Antigua and Barbuda remains ready to enter into consultations with the United States with a view to reaching agreement on an arbitrator within the ten day period provided for in footnote 12 to Article 21.3 of the DSU.

Thank you very much, and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.
