

**UNITED STATES – DEFINITIVE SAFEGUARD MEASURES  
ON IMPORTS OF CERTAIN STEEL PRODUCTS**

Request to Join Consultations

*Communication from Mexico*

The following communication, dated 22 March 2002, from the Permanent Mission of Mexico 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.

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Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, I have the honour to inform you that Mexico wishes to be joined in the consultations requested by the European Communities in document WT/DS248/1, "United States – Definitive Safeguard Measures on Imports of Certain Steel Products", circulated on 13 March 2002.

Mexico considers that it has a substantial trade interest in this matter, as the European Communities are invoking non-respect of the requirement of parallelism between the scope of the imported products subject to the investigation and the scope of the imported products subject to the application of the measures and discrimination on grounds of product source.

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