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<u>VENEZUELA - ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION IN RESPECT OF IMPORTS</u> OF CERTAIN OIL COUNTRY TUBULAR GOODS (OCTG)

Communication from Venezuela

The following communication, dated 15 December 1995, from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Venezuela to the Permanent Mission of Mexico and to the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of Venezuela.

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your communication dated 5 December 1995 in which the Government of Mexico requests consultations with the Government of Venezuela pursuant to the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, Article XXIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, and Article 17 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994.

The purpose of the consultations would be to consider the anti-dumping investigation by the Venezuelan Anti-Dumping and Subsidization Commission regarding imports from Mexico of oil country tubular goods (OCTG), of circular cross-section, with seam or seamless, whether or not conforming to the technical standard of the American Petroleum Institute (API), including production tubing and casing, only in the form of filleted/threaded and finished tubing and not as semi-finished (green) tubing, falling under tariff heading 73.04.20.00.

I wish to inform you that the Venezuelan Anti-Dumping and Subsidization Commission, in Decision 007/95 of 12 December 1995¹, terminated this investigation without imposing definitive anti-dumping duties on imports of these tubular goods from Mexico, therefore, it was not determined that there was injury to domestic production of like goods or a causal relationship.

The Government of Venezuela agrees to the consultations requested by the Government of Mexico and, in the light of the new elements, remains at its disposal to fix a mutually agreed date and place for the consultations if these are still deemed necessary.

¹The text of the Decision 007/95 of 12 December 1995 is available in the WTO Secretariat (Council Division).