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**UNITED STATES – CERTAIN METHODOLOGIES AND THEIR APPLICATION  
TO ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDINGS INVOLVING CHINA**

**REQUEST BY CHINA FOR ARBITRATION UNDER ARTICLE 21.3(C) OF THE DSU**

The following communication, dated 17 October 2017, from the delegation of China to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

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On 22 May 2017, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") adopted its recommendations and rulings in the dispute *United States – Certain Methodologies and Their Application to Anti-Dumping Proceedings Involving China* (DS471). On 19 June 2017, the United States stated that it intended to implement the DSB's recommendations and rulings in this dispute and stated that it would need a reasonable period of time in which to do so.

The parties have entered into negotiation regarding the length of the reasonable period of time pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes ("DSU"), but have not reached an agreement. As a result, China requests that the reasonable period of time be determined through binding arbitration pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the DSU.

China is ready to enter into consultations with the United States on the appointment of the arbitrator within the next ten days, pursuant to footnote 12 of the DSU.

We respectfully request that you circulate this notification to the Members of the DSB.

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