

**UNITED STATES - COUNTERVAILING MEASURES ON CERTAIN
HOT-ROLLED CARBON STEEL FLAT PRODUCTS FROM INDIA**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Canada

The following communication, dated 7 May 2012, from the delegation of Canada to the delegation of the United States, the delegation of India and to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), the Government of Canada hereby notifies its desire to be joined in the consultations requested by India pursuant to Articles 1 and 4 of the DSU, Article XXII of the *General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994* and Article 30 of the *Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures* with regard to the imposition of countervailing duties by the United States on certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products from India.

The relevant communication to the Permanent Mission of the United States from the Permanent Mission of India dated 24 April 2012, was circulated to WTO Members on 25 April 2012 as *United States – Countervailing Measures on Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from India* (WT/DS436/1/Rev.1, G/L/987/Rev.1, G/SCM/D89/1/Rev.1).

Canada has a substantial trade interest in these consultations given that the United States is the largest market for Canadian exports of hot-rolled carbon steel flat products. Accordingly, Canada requests to be joined in these consultations.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, with a request that it be circulated to Members.
