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INDIA - TARIFF TREATMENT ON CERTAIN GOODS

REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

Communication from the United States

The following communication, dated 15 May 2019, from the delegation of the United States to the delegation of India, and the delegation of Japan, is circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

This concerns the request for consultations by Japan on *India – Tariff Treatment on Certain Goods* (WT/DS584/1). My authorities have instructed me to notify the consulting Members and the Dispute Settlement Body of the desire of the United States to be joined in these consultations, pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

The United States has a substantial trade interest in these consultations. The United States is a significant exporter of goods in the categories of products described in Japan's request. US exports to India of goods in the specified tariff items subject to the measures identified in Japan's request, for example, were valued at approximately \$290 million in 2018. Accordingly, the United States considers that it has a substantial trade interest and requests to be joined in these consultations.
