

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

Request to Join Consultations

*Communication from Switzerland*

The following communication, dated 15 March 2002, from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland 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 paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), Switzerland hereby notifies the Government of the United States that it considers having a substantial trade interest 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, and that it desires to be joined in these consultations.

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