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Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Ecuador

The following communication, dated 30 October 2000, from the Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission, the Permanent Mission of Brazil and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I refer to the communication from the Permanent Representative of Brazil, dated 19 October 2000, contained in document WT/209/1, G/L/399, in which he requests consultations with the European Communities regarding measures applied under the European Communities' Generalized System of Preferences scheme (GSP) that affect imports of soluble coffee.

In view of Ecuador's substantial trade interest in this product, Ecuador requests to join these consultations in accordance with its rights under Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I should be grateful if you would inform me of the date of these consultations.