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EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES - PATENT PROTECTION FOR PHARMACEUTICAL AND AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL PRODUCTS

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Switzerland

The following communication, dated 17 December 1998, from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to 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.

Pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), Switzerland hereby notifies that it considers to have a substantial trade interest in the consultations requested by Canada in document WT/DS153/1 circulated on 7 December 1998, entitled "European Communities - Patent Protection for Pharmaceutical and Agricultural Chemical Products". Switzerland consequently notifies hereby its desire to be joined in these consultations.
