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CHINA – CERTAIN MEASURES ON THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

Communication from the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu

The following communication, dated 15 June 2018, from the delegation of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu to the delegation of China, and the delegation of the European Union, is circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I would like to refer to the consultations requested by the European Union in the communication circulated to WTO Members on 6 June 2018 (WT/DS549/1, G/L/1244, IP/D/39) titled *CHINA - CERTAIN MEASURES ON THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY*.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu hereby notifies the consulting Members and the Dispute Settlement Body of its desire to be joined in these consultations.

The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu has a substantial trade interest in these consultations and a systemic interest in the interpretation of the provisions of the TRIPS Agreement.

The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu looks forward to receiving confirmation of acceptance of this request, as well as advice regarding the time and venue for these consultations.
