

**UNITED STATES – DEFINITIVE SAFEGUARD MEASURES ON IMPORTS
OF WHEAT GLUTEN FROM THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Australia

The following communication, dated 1 April 1999, from the Permanent Mission of Australia to the Permanent Mission of the United States 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, the Government of Australia hereby notifies that, due to its substantial trade interest, it desires to be joined in the consultations under Article XXII:1 of GATT 1994 requested by the European Communities in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 23 March 1999 (WT/DS166/1) entitled "United States – Definitive Safeguard Measures on Imports of Wheat Gluten from the European Communities".

Australia has a substantial commercial interest in the matter as the major supplier of wheat gluten to the United States under the current safeguard measures.
