

**EUROPEAN UNION AND A MEMBER STATE – SEIZURE OF GENERIC DRUGS  
IN TRANSIT**

Request to Join Consultations

*Communication from Brazil*

The following communication, dated 28 May 2010, from the delegation of Brazil to the delegation of the European Union, the delegation of India 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 Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), Brazil hereby notifies the European Union, India, and the Dispute Settlement Body that, in the light of the substantial trade interest of Brazil, it desires to be joined in the consultations requested by India in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 19 May 2010 (WT/DS408/1, G/L/921) entitled “*European Union and a Member State – Seizure of Generic Drugs in Transit*”.

Brazil imports significant amounts of generic medicines, including from India; Brazil is also an exporter of generic medicines. More specifically, one of the drug seizures listed in India's consultation request affected a consignment of medicines bound for Brazil. In addition, Brazil requested consultations with the European Union under the DSU on similar measures. Brazil has therefore a substantial trade interest in the present dispute and in the correct application of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade as well as the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights.

Brazil looks forward to being informed of the date and venue of the consultations.

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