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**INDONESIA – IMPORTATION OF HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS,
ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS**

REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

Communication from Australia

The following communication, dated 19 September 2013, from the delegation of Australia to the delegation of Indonesia, the delegation of the United States, the delegation of New Zealand and to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), Australia notifies the Government of the Republic of Indonesia that, in light of the substantial trade interest of Australia, it desires to be joined in Indonesia's consultations with the United States pursuant to the communication entitled *Indonesia – Importation of Horticultural Products, Animals and Animal Products* circulated to WTO Members on 9 September 2013 (WT/DS465/1).

Australia has substantial trade and commercial interests in this matter as a significant exporter of horticultural products, animals and animal products to Indonesia. In 2012, Indonesia was estimated to be Australia's third largest agricultural market, with exports totalling A\$2.4 billion. In that year, Australia was Indonesia's only source of live cattle (A\$189 million), its largest supplier of beef imports (A\$120 million) and its fifth largest supplier of horticultural products (A\$61 million).

Mindful of the rights and obligations of WTO Members under Article 4.11 of the DSU, Australia looks forward to receiving your reply, and advice of the date and venue of the consultations.
