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<u>EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES - REGIME FOR THE IMPORTATION,</u> SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BANANAS

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Colombia

Addendum

The following communication, dated 4 May 1998, from the Permanent Mission of Colombia to the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission, to the Permanent Mission of Panama and to the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in Accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

The Government of Colombia has taken note of the addendum submitted by Panama on 20 April 1998 to its request for consultations, document WT/DS105/1, on the EC Regime for the importation, sale and distribution of bananas as established through Regulation 404/93, and the legislation implementing, supplementing or amending that regime, including the Framework Agreement on Bananas and the proposal for a Regulation amending Regulation 404/93.

As stated in our communication MPC 605/97 of 31 October 1997, Colombia has a substantial trade interest in this matter and therefore, pursuant to Article 4:11 of the Understanding of Rules and Procedures Government the Settlement of Disputes, asked to be joined in the consultations requested by the Republic of Panama.

I wish to reiterate our interest in this matter, and in particular in participating in any further meeting held pursuant to communication WT/DS105/1/Add.2.