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TURKEY – MEASURES AFFECTING THE IMPORTATION OF RICE

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Australia

The following communication, dated 16 November 2005, from the delegation of Australia to the delegation of Turkey, the delegation 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* (DSU), Australia notifies the Government of Turkey that, in light of the substantial trade interest of Australia, it desires to be joined in the consultations requested by the United States in the communication entitled *Turkey – Measures Affecting the Importation of* Rice and circulated to WTO Members on 7 November 2005 (WT/DS334/1).

As a significant global exporter of rice, including to Turkey, Australia has a substantial trade interest in the measures cited in WT/DS334/1.

Australia looks forward to receiving your reply.