

**UNITED STATES – FINAL COUNTERVAILING DUTY DETERMINATION
WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN SOFTWOOD LUMBER FROM CANADA**

Request by the United States for Arbitration under Article 22.6 of the DSU

The following communication, dated 13 January 2005, from the delegation of the United States to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 22.6 of the DSU.

Regarding the dispute *United States – Final Countervailing Duty Determination with Respect to Certain Softwood Lumber from Canada* (WT/DS257), my authorities have instructed me to inform you that, pursuant to Article 22.6 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* ("DSU"), the United States objects to the level of suspension of concessions or other obligations proposed by Canada in document WT/DS257/16.

Accordingly, as required by Article 22.6 of the DSU, "the matter shall be referred to arbitration."
