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**EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES – REGIME FOR THE IMPORTATION,
SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BANANAS**

Status Report by the European Communities

Addendum

The following communication, dated 23 March 2001, from the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Status Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations and Rulings in the
Dispute regarding European Communities – Regime for the Importation,
Sale and Distribution of Bananas

Since the last status report, the European Communities have continued their work at regulatory and technical levels for the preparation and implementation of the distribution mechanism for the banana tariff rate quotas, to be applied within the framework of Council Regulation (EC) No 216/2001 which will become applicable as of 1 July 2001.

In parallel, the European Communities have held bilateral discussions on this new system with interested WTO Members.
