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## **KOREA - MEASURES AFFECTING TRADE IN COMMERCIAL VESSELS (JAPAN)**

## REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

Communication from Chinese Taipei

The following communication, dated 21 November 2018, from the delegation of Chinese Taipei to the delegation of the Republic of Korea, and the delegation of Japan, is circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I would like to refer to the consultations requested by the Japan in the communication circulated to WTO Members on 13 November 2018 (WT/DS571/1, G/L/1279, G/SCM/D121/1) titled KOREA – MEASURES AFFECTING TRADE IN COMMERCIAL VESSELS.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu hereby notifies the consulting Members and the Dispute Settlement Body of its desire to be joined in these consultations.

The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu has a substantial trade interest in commercial vessels industries and a systemic interest in the interpretation of the provisions of the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures ("SCM Agreement") with respect to the measures in question relate to the development, production, marketing, and/or sale or purchase of commercial vessels

I looks forward to receiving confirmation of acceptance of this request, as well as advice regarding the time and venue for these consultations.