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Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Honduras

The following communication, dated 15 March 1999, from the Permanent Mission of Honduras to the Permanent Mission of the United States, the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I refer to the request for consultations addressed by the Permanent Delegation of the European Communities to the United States under Article XXII:1 of GATT 1994 and Article 4 of the DSU in document WT/DS165/1, circulated to all Members of the World Trade Organization on 5 March 1999.

Pursuant to Article XXII of GATT 1994 and Article 4, paragraph 11, of the DSU, the Government of Honduras requests to be joined in the above-mentioned consultations, owing to its substantial trade interest in the matter.

As you are aware, Honduras is a complainant in the dispute *European Communities – Regime* for the *Import, Sale and Distribution of Bananas (WT/DS/27)*, and therefore, in order to safeguard its interests, wishes to participate in this consultation procedure that concerns the implementation of the conclusions and recommendations of the Panel and Appellate Body reports.