

UNITED STATES – SUBSIDIES ON UPLAND COTTON

Communication from Brazil

The following communication, dated 30 April 2010, from the delegation of Brazil to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

On 8 March 2010, Brazil sent to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") a notification that, starting on 7 April 2010, it would suspend the application to the United States of concessions or other obligations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 (GATT 1994) in the form of increased import duties on certain products when they are imported from the United States. The suspension of concessions or other obligations by Brazil *vis-à-vis* the United States was authorized by the DSB in its meeting of 19 November 2009, in the context of the dispute *United States – Subsidies on Upland Cotton* (DS267).

I wish to inform you that Brazil has decided to postpone the imposition of the countermeasures described in Brazil's previous communication. Brazil and the United States are currently engaged in a dialogue with a view to reaching a mutually satisfactory solution to the above-mentioned dispute. Accordingly, no countermeasures will enter into force before 21 June 2010.

I would be grateful if you could circulate this notification to the Members of the DSB.
