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## UNITED STATES - SECTIONS 301-310 OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Colombia

The following communication, dated 9 December 1998, from the Permanent Mission of Colombia 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.

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The Government of Colombia has taken note of the request for consultations by the European Communities to the United States with regard to Title III, chapter 1 (sections 301-310) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 USC, paragraphs 2411-2420) and in particular sections 306 and 305 of that Act (19 USC, paragraphs 2416 and 2415 respectively).

Considering the substantial and systemic interests that Colombia holds in this issue, and pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), the Government of Colombia hereby requests to be joined in the consultations requested by the European Communities in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 30 November 1998 (WT/DS152/1).