

**COLOMBIA – CUSTOMS MEASURES ON IMPORTATION
OF CERTAIN GOODS FROM PANAMA**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from China

The following communication, dated 4 August 2006, from the delegation of China to the delegation of Colombia, the delegation of Panama and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), my government has instructed me to notify the consulting Members and the Dispute Settlement Body of the desire of the People's Republic of China to be joined in these consultations requested by Panama in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 25 July 2006 (WT/DS348/1, G/L/782, G/VAL/D/8), titled "Colombia – Customs Measures on Importation of Certain Goods from Panama". China has a substantial trade interest in these consultations.

China looks forward to receiving your reply at an early date.
