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BRAZIL – CERTAIN MEASURES CONCERNING TAXATION AND CHARGES

CONSTITUTION OF THE PANEL ESTABLISHED AT THE REQUEST OF JAPAN

NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT

- 1. At its meeting on 28 September 2015, the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) established a panel pursuant to the request of Japan in document WT/DS497/3, in accordance with Article 6 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU).
- 2. The Panel's terms of reference are the following:

To examine, in the light of the relevant provisions of the covered agreements cited by the parties to the dispute, the matter referred to the DSB by Japan in document WT/DS497/3 and to make such findings as will assist the DSB in making the recommendations or in giving the rulings provided for in those agreements.

3. Following the agreement of the parties, the panel was composed on 29 September 2015 as follows:

Chairperson: Mr Eirik Glenne

Members: Mr Toufiq Ali

Mr Alvaro Espinoza

4. Argentina; Australia; Canada; China; Colombia; the European Union; India; the Republic of Korea; Russian Federation; Singapore; Turkey¹; Ukraine; and the United States, have reserved their rights to participate in the Panel proceedings as third parties.

¹ Turkey notified its third party interest on 9 October 2015.