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## EUROPEAN UNION – MEASURES RELATED TO PRICE COMPARISON METHODOLOGIES

### REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

#### *Communication from Australia*

The following communication, dated 22 December 2016, from the delegation of Australia to the delegation of the European Union, the delegation of China and to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

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Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), Australia notifies the European Union that, in light of the substantial trade interest of Australia, it desires to be joined in the European Union's consultations with China pursuant to the communication entitled *European Union – Measures Related to Price Comparison Methodologies* circulated to WTO Members on 15 December 2016 (WT/DS516/1).

Australia has a substantial trade interest in these consultations, and a significant systemic interest in the proper interpretation of the WTO disciplines applicable to price comparison methodologies as well as the *Protocol on the Accession of the People's Republic of China*.

Mindful of the rights and obligations of WTO Members under Article 4.11 of the DSU, Australia looks forward to receiving your reply, and advice of the date and venue of the consultations.

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