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## THAILAND - CUSTOMS AND FISCAL MEASURES ON CIGARETTES FROM THE PHILIPPINES

## SECOND RECOURSE TO ARTICLE 21.5 OF THE DSU BY THE PHILIPPINES

## COMMUNICATION FROM THE PANEL

The following communication, dated 12 July 2019, addressed to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB), is circulated in accordance with Article 21.5 of the Dispute Settlement Understanding (DSU).

In a communication dated 30 November 2018 (WT/DS371/26), the Panel informed the Dispute Settlement Body that it expected to issue its final report to the parties in April 2019, based on the timetable adopted after consultation with the parties. The Panel issued its final report to the parties on 23 April 2019. Public circulation of the report was originally scheduled for 29 May 2019. Following a request from the Philippines, the Panel agreed to postpone circulation of the report until 12 July 2019.

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