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INDIA – MEASURES CONCERNING THE IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

JOINT REQUEST BY INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES FOR A DECISION BY THE DSB

The following communication, dated 6 November 2014, from the delegation of India and the delegation of the United States to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB), is circulated at the request of those delegations.

Taking into account the current workload of the Appellate Body, India and the United States of America would like to request the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) to adopt the draft decision attached to this letter with respect to the dispute *India — Measures Concerning the Importation of Agricultural Products* (DS430). We consider that the draft DSB decision, if adopted, would provide greater flexibility in scheduling any possible appeal of the panel report in this dispute, which was circulated to WTO Members on 14 October 2014.

We respectfully request that you circulate this request to Members of the DSB.

Draft Decision of the DSB

The DSB agrees that, upon a request by India or the United States of America, the DSB shall no later than 26 January 2015 adopt the report of the panel in the dispute *India — Measures Concerning the Importation of Agricultural Products* (DS430) unless (i) the DSB decides by consensus not to do so or (ii) either party to the dispute notifies the DSB of its decision to appeal pursuant to Article 16.4 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.