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## UNITED STATES – SAFEGUARD MEASURE ON IMPORTS OF FRESH, CHILLED OR FROZEN LAMB FROM AUSTRALIA

## Request to Join Consultations

Communication from New Zealand

The following communication, dated 2 August 1999, from the Permanent Mission of New Zealand to the Permanent Mission of the United States, the Permanent Mission of Australia and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

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Pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the Government of New Zealand wishes to notify the Government of the United States, that, in light of New Zealand's substantial trade interest, it desires to be joined in the consultations under Article XXII:1 of the GATT 1994 requested by Australia in a communication which was circulated to WTO Members on 29 July 1999 (WT/DS178/1, G/L/314, G/SG/D9/1) entitled "United States – Safeguard Measure on Imports of Fresh, Chilled or Frozen Lamb from Australia".

As noted above, New Zealand has a substantial trade interest in the matter that is the subject of the requested consultations as one of the major suppliers of fresh, chilled, or frozen lamb meat to the United States.