

**CHINA – CERTAIN MEASURES GRANTING REFUNDS, REDUCTIONS OR  
EXEMPTIONS FROM TAXES AND OTHER PAYMENTS**

Request to Join Consultations

*Communication from Japan*

The following communication, dated 8 March 2007, from the delegation of Japan to the delegation of China, the delegation of Mexico 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 (DSU), the Government of Japan hereby notifies the Government of the People's Republic of China that it desires to be joined in the consultations requested by Mexico in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 28 February 2007 (WT/DS359/1, G/L/814, G/SCM/D75/1, G/TRIMS/D/26), titled *China – Certain Measures Granting Refunds, Reductions or Exemptions from Taxes and Other Payments*, in light of the substantial trade interest of Japan as a major trading partner of China.

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