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**UNITED STATES – SAFEGUARD MEASURE ON IMPORTS OF
CRYSTALLINE SILICON PHOTOVOLTAIC PRODUCTS**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE UNITED STATES

The following communication, dated 24 August 2018, was received from the delegation of the United States with the request that it be circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB).

On 14 August 2018, the United States received China's letter of the same date requesting consultations pursuant to Articles 1 and 4 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* ("DSU"), Article XXII of the *General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994*, and Article 14 of the *Agreement on Safeguards* in the dispute *United States – Safeguard Measure on Imports of Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products* (WT/DS562/1).

Without prejudice to whether each of the items in China's letter constitutes a "measure" within the meaning of Article 4 of the DSU, the United States accepts the request of China to enter into consultations. We stand ready to confer with officials from your mission on a mutually convenient date for these consultations.
