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Status Report by the European Communities

Addendum

The following communication, dated 27 March 2000, from the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Status Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations and Rulings in the Dispute regarding European Communities – Regime for the Importation, Sale and Distribution of Bananas

The European Communities informs the DSB that no new events which would substantially modify the situation have occurred since the last report presented on 20 March last. The European Communities confirms in particular that it has continued bilateral discussions with the WTO Members concerned as well as other interested parties. As has been clearly indicated, both in previous reports and in the interventions at previous DSB meetings, there continue to be divergent views expressed by the main parties concerned, and even where there is apparent agreement, differences emerge regarding the details. As a result, no agreed conclusions have been reached yet.