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## UNITED STATES – SUNSET REVIEWS OF ANTI-DUMPING MEASURES ON OIL COUNTRY TUBULAR GOODS FROM ARGENTINA

Request from Argentina for Arbitration under Article 21.3(c) of the DSU

The following communication, dated 11 March 2005, from the delegation of Argentina to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

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At its meeting held on 17 December 2004, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") adopted the reports from the Panel (WT/DS268/R and Corr.1) and the Appellate Body (WT/DS268/AB/R) in the dispute "United States – Sunset Reviews of Anti-Dumping Measures on Oil Country Tubular Goods from Argentina".

Pursuant to its obligations under Article 21.3 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes ("DSU"), on 14 January 2005 the United States informed the DSB that it intended to implement the recommendations and rulings adopted by the DSB in the above referenced dispute and requested a reasonable period of time for doing so.

Argentina and the United States have been holding consultations aimed at reaching a mutually agreed reasonable period of time for the implementation, in accordance with Article 21.3(b) of the DSU. However, in spite of the efforts made towards that end, Argentina and the United States have not yet been able to reach an agreement. Accordingly, Argentina hereby requests that the reasonable period of time be determined through binding arbitration, pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the DSU.

Argentina will immediately contact the United States in order to reach an agreement on the prompt appointment of the arbitrator.