

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC – FOREIGN EXCHANGE FEE AFFECTING
IMPORTS FROM COSTA RICA**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Guatemala

The following communication, dated 28 September 2005, from the delegation of Guatemala to the delegation of the Dominican Republic, the delegation of Costa Rica and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I have been instructed by the authorities of my country to notify that, pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), the Government of Guatemala wishes to be joined in the consultations requested by the Government of Costa Rica with the Government of the Dominican Republic under Article 4 of the DSU and Article XXII:1 of the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994.

The communication sent by the Government of Costa Rica to the Government of the Dominican Republic on 12 September 2005 was circulated to WTO Members on 19 September 2005 as document WT/DS333/1.

Accordingly, the Government of Guatemala, as a major exporter to the Dominican Republic, would like to reiterate its substantial trade interest in this dispute, and hence its wish to be joined in these consultations.

The Government of Guatemala looks forward to receiving information concerning the date and venue of these consultations.
