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**AUSTRALIA – CERTAIN MEASURES CONCERNING TRADEMARKS,
GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS AND OTHER PLAIN PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND PACKAGING**

REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

Communication from Ukraine

The following communication, dated 14 May 2013, from the delegation of Ukraine to the delegation of Australia, the delegation of Cuba and to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I have the honour to refer to a communication circulated to WTO Members on 7 May 2013 (WT/DS458/1, G/L/1026, IP/D/33, G/TBT/D43) entitled *Australia – Certain Measures Concerning Trademarks, Geographical Indications and Other Plain Packaging Requirements Applicable to Tobacco Products and Packaging* by which Cuba requests to hold consultations with Australia.

Ukraine is an important producer and exporter of tobacco products and therefore has a substantial trade interest as well as a systemic interest in the present dispute.

In view of the above and pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*, my authorities have instructed me to notify hereby the Governments of Australia, of Cuba and the Dispute Settlement Body of a desire of Ukraine to be joined in the consultations requested by Cuba.
