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## CANADA – MEASURES CONCERNING TRADE IN COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT

### REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

#### *Communication from the United States*

The following communication, dated 24 February 2017, from the delegation of the United States to the delegation of Canada, the delegation of Brazil and to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

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This concerns the request for consultations by Brazil on *Canada – Measures Concerning Trade in Commercial Aircraft* (WT/DS522/1), circulated on February 15, 2017. My authorities have instructed me to notify the consulting Members and the Dispute Settlement Body of the desire of the United States to be joined in these consultations, pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

The United States has a substantial trade interest in these consultations. In 2016, the alleged subsidy recipient identified in the request for consultations, Bombardier, won an order for 75 C-Series aircraft against a competing offer from a U.S. producer. The United States is currently a party to three pending disputes (*EC – Measures Affecting Trade in Large Civil Aircraft*, *US – Measures Affecting Trade in Large Civil Aircraft*, and *US – Conditional Tax Incentives for Large Civil Aircraft*) that concern products like those affected by the measures covered in this request for consultations.

In addition, the consultation request alleges effects from the alleged subsidies that include impacts on the U.S. market for commercial aircraft, including the displacement or impedance of sales in the United States, significant price suppression or price depression or threat of significant price suppression or price depression in the United States, and significant price undercutting or threat of significant price undercutting by the subsidized product in the United States.

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