

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

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Uruguay

The following communication, dated 23 July 2012, from the delegation of Uruguay to the delegation of Australia, the delegation of the Dominican Republic and the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

With reference to the request for consultations by the Dominican Republic in the case *Australia - Certain Measures Concerning Trademarks, Geographical Indications and Other Plain Packaging Requirements Applicable to Tobacco Products and Packaging*, dated 18 July 2012 (WT/DS441/1), I have the honour to inform you that my authorities have instructed me to notify the consulting Members and the Dispute Settlement Body of Uruguay's wish, in the light of its substantial trade interest and its position in relation to these consultations, to be joined in the consultations pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

I take this opportunity to renew to the Ambassador the assurances of my highest consideration.
