

**UNITED STATES – DEFINITIVE SAFEGUARD MEASURES
ON IMPORTS OF CERTAIN STEEL PRODUCTS**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Canada

The following communication, dated 15 March 2002, from the Permanent Mission of Canada to the Permanent Mission of the United States, the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), the Government of Canada hereby notifies its desire to be joined in consultations requested by the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission pursuant to Article 4 of the DSU, Article XXII:1 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 (GATT 1994) and Article 14 of the Agreement on Safeguards with regard to the definitive safeguard measures imposed by the United States on imports of certain steel products. The 7 March 2002 communication from the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the Permanent Mission of the United States was circulated to WTO Members on 13 March 2002 (WT/DS248/1, G/L/527, G/SG/D20/1).

Canada has a direct, substantial trade interest in these consultations because the EC request raises the issue of "the requirement of parallelism between the scope of the imported products subject to the investigation and the scope of the imported products subject to the application of the measures".

We would be grateful if you would please advise us of the date and time for these consultations.
