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**UNITED STATES – ANTI-DUMPING AND COUNTERVAILING MEASURES ON
LARGE RESIDENTIAL WASHERS FROM KOREA**

REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

Communication from Japan

The following communication, dated 12 September 2013, from the delegation of Japan to the delegation of the United States, the delegation of Korea and to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

I wish to refer to the consultations requested by the Republic of Korea pursuant to Article XXII of the *General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994*, Article 17 of the *Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the GATT 1994* ("AD Agreement") and Article 30 of the *Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures* ("SCM Agreement") in the communication circulated to WTO Members on 3 September 2013 (WT/DS464/1, G/L/1036, G/ADP/D98/1, G/SCM/D98/1) titled "*United States – Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Measures on Large Residential Washers from Korea*". My authorities have instructed me to notify the consulting Members and the Dispute Settlement Body of the desire of Japan to be joined in these consultations, pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

Japan has a substantial trade interest in these consultations. The issues of these consultations include, *inter alia*, the inconsistency of the "zeroing" methodology in "targeted dumping" case with the AD Agreement and the interpretation of the term "public body" in Article 1.1(a)(1) of the SCM Agreement. These issues can significantly affect trade from Japan to the United States.
