

**UNITED STATES – DEFINITIVE SAFEGUARD MEASURES ON IMPORTS OF  
CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON QUALITY LINE PIPE FROM KOREA**

Request by Korea for Arbitration under Article 21.3(c) of the DSU

The following communication, dated 29 April 2002, from the Permanent Mission of Korea to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

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On 8 March 2002, the DSB adopted the recommendations and rulings made in the Appellate Body and Panel reports in "United States – Definitive Safeguard Measures on Imports of Circular Welded Carbon Quality Line Pipe from Korea". On 5 April 2002, the United States confirmed to the DSB its intention to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB.

Since the adoption of the Appellate Body and Panel reports, pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the DSU, Korea and the United States have conducted discussions to reach agreement on a "reasonable period of time" for the US implementation of the DSB recommendations and rulings. However, no mutually satisfactory solution has been found to date.

Therefore, Korea requests that the "reasonable period of time" be determined by binding arbitration pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the DSU. In this regard, Korea will promptly open discussions with the United States with a view to achieving agreement on an arbitrator within the next ten days pursuant to footnote 12 of the DSU.

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