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UNITED STATES – COUNTERVAILING DUTY MEASURES ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS FROM CHINA

REQUEST BY CHINA FOR ARBITRATION UNDER ARTICLE 21.3(C) OF THE DSU

The following communication, dated 26 June 2015, from the delegation of China to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

On 16 January 2015, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") adopted its recommendations and rulings in the dispute *United States – Countervailing Duty Measures on Certain Products from China.* On 13 February 2015, the United States announced its intention to implement the DSB's recommendations and rulings in this dispute and stated that it would need a reasonable period of time in which to do so.

Pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes ("DSU"), China has held consultations with the United States regarding the length of the reasonable period of time. However, the parties have not been able to reach an agreement. As a result, China requests that the reasonable period of time be determined through binding arbitration pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the DSU.

China is ready to enter into consultations with the United States on the appointment of the arbitrator within the next ten days, pursuant to footnote 12 of the DSU.

We respectfully request that you circulate this notification to the Members of the DSB.