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**EGYPT – MEASURES AFFECTING IMPORTS
OF TEXTILE AND APPAREL PRODUCTS**

Notification of Mutually Agreed Solution

The following communication, dated 20 May 2005, from the delegation of Egypt and the delegation of the United States to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 3.6 of the DSU.

In accordance with Article 3.6 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*, the Governments of the Arab Republic of Egypt and the United States of America wish to notify the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") that we have reached a mutually satisfactory solution to the matter raised by the United States in WT/DS305/1 (*Egypt – Measures Affecting Imports of Textile and Apparel Products*) dated 6 January 2004.

On 20 January 2004, after the United States requested consultations with the Government of Egypt, President Mubarak issued Decree of the President of the Arab Republic of Egypt No. 35, with the approval of the Shura Council and the People's Assembly. In addition, on 7 September 2004, President Mubarak issued Decree of the President of the Arab Republic of Egypt No. 300. The Shura Council and the People's Assembly subsequently approved Decree No. 300 and published in the Official Gazette in Egypt on 7 September 2004. These decrees amended the tariffs applied to textile and apparel products under Decree No. 469 of 2001.

Based on these developments, Egypt and the United States have agreed that a mutually satisfactory solution has been reached to the matter raised by the United States. We would ask you to circulate this notification to the relevant Councils and Committees, as well as to the DSB.

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