

**KOREA – MEASURES AFFECTING IMPORTS OF FRESH,  
CHILLED AND FROZEN BEEF**

Request to Join Consultations

*Communication from Canada*

The following communication, dated 12 February 1999, from the Permanent Mission of Canada to the Permanent Mission of Korea, the Permanent Mission of the United States and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

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Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the Government of Canada hereby notifies you of its desire to be joined in the consultations requested by the Permanent Mission of the United States under Article 4 of the DSU, Article XXII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, Article 19 of the Agreement on Agriculture and Article 6 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures in the matter of "Korea - Measures Affecting Imports of Fresh, Chilled and Frozen Beef". The 1 February 1999 communication from the Permanent Mission of the United States to the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea was circulated to WTO Members on 4 February 1999 (WT/DS161/1, G/L/292, G/AG/GEN/32, G/LIC/D/28).

Canada has a substantial trade interest in these consultations given that Korea is an important market for Canadian beef exports. It is Canada's third largest export market for beef, with potential for expansion in the future. In 1997, Canada exported 4 735 tonnes of beef and veal products to Korea, valued at \$20 million.

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