

**CANADA – MEASURES RELATING TO EXPORTS OF WHEAT  
AND TREATMENT OF IMPORTED GRAIN**

Communication from the Chairperson of the Panel

The following communication, dated 7 July 2003, from the Chairperson of the Panel is circulated to Members for their information.

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On 2 July 2003, the United States requested the Panel to circulate to Members a preliminary ruling by the Panel regarding the consistency of the United States' panel request of 6 March 2003 (WT/DS276/6) with Article 6.2 of the DSU (the "Article 6.2 Ruling"). The United States explained that, in its view, circulation of the Article 6.2 Ruling would assist the DSB in understanding the reasons for the United States' panel request of 30 June 2003 (WT/DS276/9). Upon receiving the United States request, the Panel sought the views of Canada and of those third parties whose arguments are referred to in the Article 6.2 Ruling. Neither Canada nor any of the relevant third parties objected to the Panel circulating the Article 6.2 Ruling to Members.

In view of the above, the Panel considers that it is appropriate to accept the United States' request to circulate the Article 6.2 Ruling to Members for their information.

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