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COMMUNICATION FROM INDONESIA CONCERNING ARTICLE 21.3(B) OF THE DSU

The following communication, dated 11 October 2018, from the delegation of Indonesia to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

I am referring to the adoption of the Panel Report on the above matter subject by the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") on 27 August 2018. Based on Article 21.3 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* ("DSU"), Indonesia wishes to inform the DSB that it is impracticable for Indonesia to comply immediately with the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in this dispute. Therefore, Indonesia requires a reasonable period of time ("RPT") in which to do so.

Article 21.3(b) of the DSU provides for a 45-day period after the date of adoption of the recommendations and rulings of the DSB to reach a mutual agreement on the RPT. This 45-day period would end on 12 October 2018. In this regard, Indonesia is of the views that it is necessary for the parties to reach a mutually agreed RPT beyond the relevant 45-day period.

Indonesia looks forward to discussing the appropriate length of the RPT with Chinese Taipei and Viet Nam.
