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## **INDIA - IMPORT RESTRICTIONS**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Australia

The following communication, date 23 November 1998, from the Permanent Mission of Australia to the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission and to the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the Government of Australia hereby notifies the Government of India that, due to its substantial trade interest, it desires to be joined in the consultations under Article XXII:1 of GATT 1994 requested by the European Communities in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 12 November 1998 (WT/DS149/1) entitled *India - Import Restrictions*.

Australia is a major producer and exporter of, and therefore has a substantial trade interest in, many of the products covered by the import restrictions.