

**UNITED STATES – MEASURES RELATING TO ZEROING
AND SUNSET REVIEWS**

Request by Japan for Arbitration under Article 21.3(c) of the DSU

The following communication, dated 29 March 2007, from the delegation of Japan to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

On 23 January 2007, the Dispute Settlement Body (the "DSB") adopted the Appellate Body Report and the Panel Report, as modified by the Appellate Body Report, in *United States – Measures relating to Zeroing and Sunset Reviews* (WT/DS322). At the meeting of the DSB held on 20 February 2007, the United States stated that it intends to comply with its WTO obligations and that it would need a reasonable period of time in which to do so.

In the absence of an agreement with the United States under Article 21.3(b) of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (the "DSU") on a reasonable period of time for the United States to comply with the recommendations of the DSB, Japan hereby requests that this period be determined through binding arbitration pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the DSU

Japan will enter into consultations with the United States with a view to reaching agreement on the arbitrator within the time period provided for in footnote 12 of the DSU.
