

**JAPAN – COUNTERVAILING DUTIES ON
DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORIES FROM KOREA**

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

The following communication, dated 25 February 2008, from the delegation of Korea to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

On 17 December 2007, the DSB adopted the recommendations and rulings made in the Appellate Body and Panel reports in *Japan - Countervailing Duties on Dynamic Random Access Memories from Korea*. On 15 January 2008, Japan confirmed to the DSB its intention to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB.

Since the adoption of the Appellate Body and Panel reports, pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the DSU, Korea and Japan have conducted discussions to reach agreement on a "reasonable period of time" for Japan's implementation of the DSB recommendations and rulings. However, no mutually satisfactory solution has been found to date.

Therefore, Korea requests that the "reasonable period of time" be determined by binding arbitration pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the DSU. In this regard, Korea will promptly open discussions with Japan with a view to achieving agreement on an arbitrator within the next ten days pursuant to footnote 12 of the DSU.
