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MEXICO – ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON STEEL PIPES AND TUBES FROM GUATEMALA

Communication from Mexico

The following communication, dated 23 August 2007, from the delegation of Mexico to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of Mexico.

At its meeting of 24 June 2007, the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) adopted the report of the Panel in *Mexico – Anti-Dumping Duties on Steel Pipes and Tubes from Guatemala* (DS331) according to which, pursuant to Article 21.3 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), Mexico shall inform the DSB of its intentions in respect of implementation of the recommendations and rulings of the DSB within 30 days after the date of adoption of the reports.

In order to avoid a request for a special meeting of the DSB, the authorities of Guatemala have accepted that Mexico should inform the DSB of its intentions in respect of implementation of the DSB recommendations and rulings by letter, within the time-period stipulated in the mentioned Article. However, at the regular DSB meeting scheduled for 31 August 2007, Mexico will be repeating the following intentions:

Mexico intends to implement the DSB's rulings and recommendations in this dispute in conformity with its WTO obligations, and is currently examining the possible ways to do so within a reasonable period of time. To that end, we have initiated consultations with Guatemala in order to reach an agreement pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the DSU.