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**UNITED STATES – ANTI-DUMPING AND COUNTERVAILING DUTIES ON  
RIPE OLIVES FROM SPAIN**

**REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS**

*Communication from Australia*

The following communication, dated 11 February 2019, from the delegation of Australia to the delegation of the United States, and the delegation of the European Union, is circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

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Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), Australia notifies the Government of the United States that, in light of the substantial trade interest of Australia, it desires to be joined in the United States' consultations with the European Union pursuant to the communication entitled *United States – Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duties on Ripe Olives from Spain* circulated to Members on 31 January 2019 (WT/DS577/1).

As a major agricultural producer and exporter, Australia has substantial trade and commercial interests in the issues under consideration in this dispute.

Mindful of the rights and obligations of WTO Members under Article 4.11 of the DSU, Australia looks forward to receiving your reply, and advice of the date and venue of the consultations.

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