

CHINA – GRANTS, LOANS AND OTHER INCENTIVES

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from New Zealand

The following communication, dated 3 February 2009, from the delegation of New Zealand to the delegation of China, the delegation of Guatemala and to the Chairman of 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* (DSU), the Government of New Zealand hereby notifies the Government of the People's Republic of China, the Government of Guatemala and the Dispute Settlement Body that New Zealand desires to be joined in the consultations requested by Guatemala in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 22 January 2009 (WT/DS390/1, G/L/882, G/SCM/D83/1, G/AG/GEN/82) and entitled *China – Grants, Loans and Other Incentives*.

New Zealand has a substantial trade interest in the subject of the consultations, including its relevant trade in agricultural products, and therefore desires to be joined in these consultations. New Zealand looks forward to confirmation of receipt and acceptance of this request to join the consultations and advice regarding the timing and venue for the consultations.
